#### SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS **COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM:

TLMA- Planning Department

SUBMITTAL DATE: January 5, 2015

SUBJECT: GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 945 (Foundation and Entitlement/Policy Amendment) and CHANGE of ZONE NO. 7743 - Intent to adopt a Negative Declaration - APPLICANT: Londen Land Companies, LLC c/o Ashlee Lewis - ENGINEER/REPRESENTATIVE: Bill Warner - Third Supervisorial District - AREA PLAN: Southwest - ZONE AREA: Rancho California - ZONE: Light Agriculture (A-1-5) (5-acre minimum) - POLICY AREA: Highway 79 - LOCATION: East of Dickson Path, South of Auld Road, West of Maddalena Road, and North of Mazoe Street - PROJECT SIZE: 9.49-acres - REQUEST: The General Plan Amendment proposes to amend the project site's General Plan Foundation Component from Rural (R) to Community Development (CD) and amend its General Plan Land Use Designation from Rural Residential (RR) (5-Acre Minimum) to Commercial Retail (CR) (0.20-0.35 FAR), and the Change of Zone proposes to change the site's Zoning Classification from A-1-5 (Light Agriculture, 5-Acre Minimum) to C-1/C-P (General Commercial) on two parcels, totaling 9.49-acres, located within the Southwest Area Plan. Deposit Based Funds 100%.

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Planning Director	

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Juan C. Perez **TLMA Director** 

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	(per Exec. Office)
COST	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	Consent □ Policy
NET COUNTY COST	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	Consent - Policy
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**County Executive Office Signature** 

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SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

FORM 11: GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 945 and CHANGE of ZONE NO. 7743

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#### PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED MOTIONS: That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. <u>FIND</u> that the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") does not apply to projects a public agency disapproves pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15270 (a); and
- 2. <u>DENY</u> GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 945, amending the project site's General Plan Foundation Component from Rural (R) to Community Development (CD) and amending its General Plan Land Use Designation from Rural Residential (RR) (5-Acre Minimum) to Commercial Retail (CR) (0.20-0.35 FAR), based on the findings made during the November 4, 2015 Planning Commission hearing and set forth in Resolution No. 2015-024; and
- 3. <u>DENY</u> CHANGE OF ZONE NO. 7743, changing the project site's Zoning Classification from A-1-5 (Light Agriculture, 5-Acre Minimum) to C-1/C-P (General Commercial), based on the findings made during the November 4, 2015 Planning Commission hearing, which are set forth below.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Project Scope

This General Plan Amendment proposes to amend the site's General Plan Foundation Component from Rural (R) to Community Development (CD) and amend its General Plan Land Use Designation from Rural Residential (RR) (5-Acre Minimum) to Commercial Retail (CR) (0.20-0.35 FAR), and the Change of Zone proposes to change the site's Zoning Classification from A-1-5 (Light Agriculture, 5-Acre Minimum) to C-1/C-P (General Commercial) on two parcels, totaling 9.49-acres, located within the Southwest Area Plan.

General Plan Initiation Proceedings ("GPIP")

This project was submitted to the County of Riverside on February 13, 2008, during the 2008 General Plan Review Cycle application period and was recommended for initiation to the Board of Supervisors. On May 25, 2010, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors adopted an order initiating proceedings for General Plan Amendment No. 945.

Project History

The original application for General Plan Amendment No. 945, included four separate parcels (964-050-006, 964-050-007, 964-050-008 and 964-050-009), totaling approximately 20-acres. It was a proposal to change the site's Foundation Component and Land Use Designation to Community Development: Commercial Retail (CD: CR) (0.20-0.35 FAR) on all four parcels. Since the time of submission, the applicant split the original project into two separate projects, which became GPA00945D1 and GPA00945. General Plan Amendment No. 945D1 includes APN: 964-050-006 only and was previously approved by the Board of Supervisors for a Commercial Retail Land Use Designation on November 25, 2014. General Plan Amendment No. 945 includes APNs: 964-050-008 and 964-050-009 and is now being taken forward for consideration. APN: 964-050-007, associated with the original submission, has been removed from the project scope.

Planning Commission Hearing – General Plan Amendment Application

This project was presented to the Planning Commission for recommendation to the Board of Supervisors on November 4, 2015. The Planning Commission recommended denial of the project by a vote of 5-0. The primary finding for a General Plan Foundation Component change is that a "new circumstance" justifying the change, must be made. The applicant and staff's justification for the change was due to the proposed realignment of Butterfield Stage Road at the intersections of Auld Road, Dickson Path, and Pourroy Road. Pursuant to Tentative Parcel Map 32379, the proposed Butterfield Stage Road would become 6-lanes with a 152-foot right-of-way. This realignment and expansion would have an effect on the land use pattern in the area, whereby the properties adjacent to Auld Road on the southside could be better suited for commercial, due to future increased traffic, limited access, and a centralized location which has potential for neighborhood commercial serving uses.

#### SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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However, the Planning Commission's denial recommendation was based upon the following reason:

• The Planning Commission position is the proposed realignment, at this time, is too speculative to be a basis for a Foundation change justification. Although Tentative Parcel Map 32379 was approved, the Final Map has not been processed as of this time. Furthermore, there is currently no public funding for the construction of the realignment, nor is it on Transportation's priority list. As a result, the Planning Commission found that there were no new conditions or circumstances that justify modifying the site's Foundation Component and recommended the Board of Supervisors deny this project.

Planning Commission Hearing - Change of Zone Application

Approval of the accompanying Change of Zone, from A-1-5 (Light Agriculture, 5-Acre Minimum) to C-1/C-P (General Commercial), is contingent upon General Plan Amendment approval. Should the General Plan Amendment be denied, the proposed Change of Zone would create an inconsistency with the Land Use and as a result, should also be denied.

**Project Opposition** 

Prior to the Planning Commission hearing, staff received multiple letters in opposition of the proposed General Plan Amendment, which are included with the Planning Commission report package. One set of letters include 52 signatures from area residents in opposition. Additionally, during the Planning Commission public hearing, multiple people spoke against the proposed project, citing potential issues associated with incompatible land uses, increased traffic, and insufficient environmental analysis.

#### Impact on Citizens and Businesses

The impacts of this project have been evaluated through the environmental review and public hearing process by Planning staff and the Planning Commission.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL:

#### **Additional Fiscal Information**

N/A

#### **Contract History and Price Reasonableness**

N/A

#### ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Planning Commission Minutes
- **B.** Indemnity Agreement
- C. Planning Commission Resolution
- D. Planning Commission Staff Report

## **Attachment A:**

**Planning Commission Minutes** 



#### PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTE ORDER NOVEMBER 4, 2015

#### I. AGENDA ITEM 4.3

**GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 945 (Foundation and Entitlement/Policy) and CHANGE of ZONE NO. 7743** – Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration – Applicant: Ashlee Lewis – Engineer/Representative: Bill Warner – Third Supervisorial District – Area Plan: Southwest – Zone Area: Rancho California – Zone: Light Agriculture (A-1-5) (5-acre minimum) – Policy Area: Highway 79 – Location: East of Dickson Path, South of Auld Road, West of Maddalena Road, and North of Mazoe Street – Project Size: 9.49 acres.

#### II. PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Proposal to amend the project site's General Plan Foundation Component from Rural (R) to Community Development (CD), amend its Land Use Designation from Rural Residential (RR) (5-acre minimum) to Commercial Retail (CR) (0.20-0.35 floor area ratio), and change the Zoning Classification from A-1-5 (Light Agriculture, 5-acre minimum) to C-1/C-P (General Commercial) on two parcels, totaling 9.49 acres.

#### III. MEETING SUMMARY:

The following staff presented the subject proposal:

Project Planner: John Hildebrand at (951) 955-1888 or email jhildebr@rctlma.org.

In favor of the proposed project:

Bill Warner, Applicant's Representative, 72-829 Cook St., Palm Desert (760) 341-3101

#### In opposition:

- Robin Lowe, Respondent, 8172 O'Meara, Hemet (951) 760-2200
- Matthew Duarte, Interested Party
- Robert Yhlen, Interested Party, (951) 852-0526
- Jonathan Adame, Interested Party
- Noah Rau, Neighbor, (951) 852-0992

#### IV. CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES:

None

#### V. PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION:

Public Comments: Closed

Motion by Commissioner Sanchez, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Hake

A vote of 5-0

### **DENIED** GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 945 (Foundation and Entitlement/Policy) and CHANGE of ZONE NO. 7743.

The entire discussion of this agenda item can be found on CD. For a copy of the CD, please contact Mary Stark, TLMA Commission Secretary, at (951) 955-7436 or email at mcstark@rctlma.org.

# **Attachment B:**

**Indemnity Agreement** 

#### **INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT**

This INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT ("Agreement"), made by and between the COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, a political subdivision of the State of California ("COUNTY"), and Londen Land Company, LLC, an Arizona Limited Liability Company, registered in California ("PROPERTY OWNER"), relating to the PROPERTY OWNER'S indemnification of the COUNTY under the terms set forth herein:

#### **WITNESSETH:**

WHEREAS, the PROPERTY OWNER has a legal interest in the certain real property described as APN: 964-050-008 and 964-050-009 ("PROPERTY"); and,

WHEREAS, on February 13, 2008, PROPERTY OWNER filed an application for General Plan Amendment No. 945 and on August 19, 2010, PROPERTY OWNER filed an application for Change of Zone No. 7743 ("PROJECT"); and,

WHEREAS, judicial challenges of projects requiring discretionary approvals, including, but not limited to, California Environmental Quality Act determinations, are costly and time consuming. Additionally, project opponents often seek an award of attorneys' fees in such challenges; and,

WHEREAS, since property owners are the primary beneficiaries of such approvals, it is appropriate that such owners bear the expense of defending against any such judicial challenge, and bear the responsibility of any costs, attorneys' fees and damages which may be awarded to a successful challenger; and,

WHEREAS, in the event a judicial challenge is commenced against the PROJECT, the COUNTY has requested and the PROPERTY OWNER has agreed to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the COUNTY, its agents, officers, or employees from any claim, action or proceeding against the COUNTY, its agents, officers, or employees to attack, set aside, void or annul any approval of the COUNTY, its advisory agencies, appeal boards, or legislative body concerning the PROJECT or its associated environmental documentation ("LITIGATION"); and,

WHEREAS, this Agreement is entered into by the COUNTY and PROPERTY OWNER to establish specific terms concerning PROPERTY OWNER'S indemnification obligation for the PROJECT.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, it is mutually agreed between COUNTY and PROPERTY OWNER as follows:

- 1. Indemnification. PROPERTY OWNER, at its own expense, shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the COUNTY, its agents, officers, and employees from and against any claim, action or proceeding brought against the COUNTY, its agents, officers, and employees to attack, set aside, void or annul any approval of the PROJECT including any associated costs, damages, and expenses including, but not limited to, costs associated with Public Records Act requests submitted to the COUNTY related to the PROJECT and an award of attorneys' fees and costs incurred or arising out of the above-referenced claim, action or proceeding brought against the COUNTY ("Indemnification Obligation.")
- 2. **Defense Cooperation.** PROPERTY OWNER and the COUNTY shall reasonably cooperate in all aspects of the LITIGATION. Nothing contained in this Agreement, however, shall be construed to limit the discretion of COUNTY, in the interest of the public welfare, to settle, defend, appeal or to decline to settle or to terminate or forego defense or appeal of the LITIGATION. It is also understood and agreed that all litigation pleadings are subject to review, revision and approval by COUNTY's Office of County Counsel.
- 3. Representation and Payment for Legal Services Rendered. COUNTY shall have the absolute right to approve any and all counsel retained to defend COUNTY in the LITIGATION. PROPERTY OWNER shall pay the attorneys' fees and costs of the legal firm retained by PROPERTY OWNER to represent the COUNTY in the LITIGATION. Failure by PROPERTY OWNER to pay such attorneys' fees and costs may be treated as an abandonment of the PROJECT and as a default of PROPERTY OWNER's obligations under this Agreement.
- Payment for COUNTY's LITIGATION Costs. Payment for 4. COUNTY's costs related to the LITIGATION shall be made on a deposit basis. LITIGATION costs include any associated costs, fees, damages, and expenses as further described in Section 1. herein as Indemnification Obligation. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice from COUNTY that LITIGATION has been initiated against the PROJECT, PROPERTY OWNER shall initially deposit with the COUNTY's Planning Department the total amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars PROPERTY OWNER shall deposit with COUNTY such additional amounts as COUNTY reasonably and in good faith determines, from time to time, are necessary to cover costs and expenses incurred by the COUNTY, including but not limited to, the Office of County Counsel, Riverside County Planning Department and the Riverside County Clerk of the Board associated with the LITIGATION. Within ten (10) days of written notice from COUNTY, PROPERTY OWNER shall make such additional deposits. Collectively, the initial deposit and additional deposits shall be referred to herein as the "Deposit."

- 5. **Return of Deposit.** COUNTY shall return to PROPERTY OWNER any funds remaining on deposit after ninety (90) days have passed since final adjudication of the LITIGATION.
- 6. **Notices.** For all purposes herein, notices shall be effective when personally delivered, delivered by commercial overnight delivery service, or sent by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to the appropriate address set forth below:

COUNTY:
Office of County Counsel
Attn: Melissa Cushman
3960 Orange Street, Suite 500
Riverside, CA 92501

PROPERTY OWNER: The Londen Companies Attn: Ashlee Lewis 4343 E. Camelback Road Phoenix, AZ 85018

With a copy to: NV5 Attn: Bill Warner 42-829 Cook St., Ste. 104 Palm Desert, CA 92211

- 7. **Default and Termination**. This Agreement is not subject to termination, except by mutual agreement or as otherwise provided herein. In the event of a default of PROPERTY OWNER's obligations under this Agreement, COUNTY shall provide written notification to PROPERTY OWNER of such alleged default and PROPERTY OWNER shall have ten (10) days after receipt of written notification to cure any such alleged default. If PROPERTY OWNER fails to cure such alleged default within the specified time period or otherwise reach agreement with the COUNTY on a resolution of the alleged default, COUNTY may, in its sole discretion, do any of the following or combination thereof:
  - a. Deem PROPERTY OWNER's default of PROPERTY OWNER's obligations as abandonment of the PROJECT and as a breach of this Agreement;
  - b. Rescind any PROJECT approvals previously granted;
  - c. Settle the LITIGATION.

In the event of a default, PROPERTY OWNER shall remain responsible for any costs and attorney's fees awarded by the Court or as a result of settlement and other expenses incurred by the COUNTY related to the LITIGATION or settlement.

8. **COUNTY Review of the PROJECT.** Nothing is this Agreement shall be construed to limit, direct, impede or influence the COUNTY's review and consideration of the PROJECT.

- 9. **Complete Agreement/Governing Law.** This Agreement represents the complete understanding between the parties with respect to matters set forth herein. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.
- 10. **Successors and Assigns**. The obligations specific herein shall be made, and are binding on the successors in interest of the PROPERTY OWNER, whether the succession is by agreement, by operation of law or by any other means.
- 11. Amendment and Waiver. No modification, waiver, amendment or discharge of this Agreement shall be valid unless the same is in writing and signed by all parties.
- 12. **Severability**. If any term, provision, covenant or condition of this Agreement is held to be invalid, void or otherwise unenforceable, to any extent, by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby, and each term, provision, covenant or condition of this Agreement shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 13. **Survival of Indemnification**. The parties agree that this Agreement shall constitute a separate agreement from any PROJECT approval, and if the PROJECT, in part or in whole, is invalidated, rendered null or set aside by a court of competent jurisdiction, the parties agree to be bound by the terms of this Agreement, which shall survive such invalidation, nullification or setting aside.
- 14. *Interpretation*. The parties have been advised by their respective attorneys, or if not represented by an attorney, represent that they had an opportunity to be so represented in the review of this Agreement. Any rule of construction to the effect that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not be applied in interpreting this Agreement.
- 15. Captions and Headings. The captions and section headings used in this Agreement are inserted for convenience of reference only and are not intended to define, limit or affect the construction or interpretation of any term or provision hereof.
- 16. Jurisdiction and Venue. Any action at law or in equity arising under this Agreement or brought by a party hereto for the purpose of enforcing, construing or determining the validity of any provision of this Agreement shall be filed in the Courts of Riverside County, State of California, and the parties hereto waive all provisions of law providing for the filing, removal or change of venue to any other court or jurisdiction.
- 17. Counterparts; Facsimile & Electronic Execution. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an

original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same document. To facilitate execution of this Agreement, the parties may execute and exchange facsimile or electronic counterparts, and facsimile or electronic counterparts shall serve as originals.

- 18. Joint and Several Liability. In the event there is more than one PROPERTY OWNER, the liability of PROPERTY OWNER shall be joint and several, and PROPERTY OWNER each of them shall be jointly and severally liable for performance of all of the obligations of PROPERTY OWNER under this Agreement.
- 19. Effective Date. The effective date of this Agreement is the date the parties sign the Agreement. If the parties sign the Agreement on more than one date, then the last date the Agreement is signed by a party shall be the effective date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have duly caused this Agreement to be executed by their authorized representatives as of the date written.

#### **COUNTY:**

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE,

a political subdivision of the State of California

Steven Weiss

Riverside County Planning Director

Dated: 1-14-16

PROPERTY OWNER:

Londen Land Company, LLC, an Arizona Limited Liability Company, registered in California

Manager

Dated: 12-22-15

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

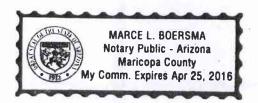
State of Arizona	)
MARICOPA	) ss
MARICEPA County of Riverside	)

On December 22, 2015 before me, Marce L. Boersma, Notary Public personally appeared Priscilla Lynn Londen who provided to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same in their authorized capacities and that by their signatures on the instrument the person, or entity upon behalf of which the person acted executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of Arizona that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

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WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL.



# **Attachment C:**

Planning Commission Resolution

#### **Planning Commission**

#### County of Riverside

# RESOLUTION NO. 2015-024 RECOMMENDING DENIAL OF

**GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 945** 

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 65350 et. seq., a public hearing was held before the Riverside County Planning Commission in Riverside, California on November 4, 2015, to consider the above-referenced matter; and,

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") does not apply to projects a public agency disapproves pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15270 (a); and,

WHEREAS, the matter was discussed fully with testimony and documentation presented by the public and affected government agencies; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED, FOUND, DETERMINED, AND ORDERED** by the Planning Commission of the County of Riverside, in regular session assembled on November 4, 2015, that the Planning Commission recommends the following:

- 1. FIND that CEQA does not apply to projects a public agency disapproves pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15270 (a); and,
- 2. DENY General Plan Amendment No. 945, based upon the following:
  - a. The proposed realignment of Butterfield Stage Road, is at this time, too speculative to be a basis for a General Plan Foundation Component Amendment.
  - b. The proposed realignment is part of Tentative Parcel Map 32379, which was previously approved. A Final Map however, has not been approved, nor has it been filed for consideration.

- c. Furthermore, there is currently no funding for the construction of the Butterfield Stage Road realignment, nor is it on the County of Riverside Transportation Department's priority list.
- d. Therefore, based upon the above, the proposed realignment of Butterfield Stage Road is too speculative and there are no new conditions or circumstances disclosed during the review process that justify modifying the site's General Plan Foundation Component.
- e. As a result, the Planning Commission recommends denial of the proposed GPA No. 94 because it is unable to satisfy the required finding set forth in Section 2.5, subsection g. of Ordinance No. 348.

# **Attachment D**:

Planning Commission Report Package

Agenda Item No.: Area Plan: Southwest 4 . 3

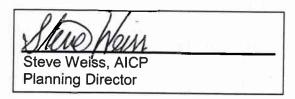
Zoning Area: Rancho California Supervisorial District: Third

Project Planner: John Earle Hildebrand III Planning Commission: November 04, 2015 **GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO.** 945 **CHANGE OF ZONE NO.** 7743

**Environmental Assessment No.** 41773 **Applicant:** Londen Land Companies, LLC c/o

Ashlee Lewis

Engineer/Representative: NV5 c/o Bill Warner



#### COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE PLANNING DEPARTMENT STAFF REPORT

#### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION:**

GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 945 (Foundation and Entitlement/Policy Amendment) and CHANGE of ZONE NO. 7743 — Proposal to amend the project site's General Plan Foundation Component from Rural (R) to Community Development (CD), amend its Land Use Designation from Rural Residential (RR) (5-acre minimum) to Commercial Retail (CR) (0.20-0.35 FAR), and change the project site's Zoning Classification from A-1-5 (Light Agriculture, 5-acre minimum) to C-1/C-P (General Commercial) on two parcels, totaling 9.49 acres, located East of Dickson Path, South of Auld Road, West of Maddalena Road, and North of Mazoe Street, within the Southwest Area Plan.

#### BACKGROUND:

General Plan Initiation Proceedings ("GPIP")

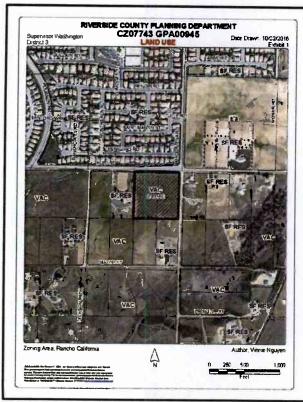
This project was submitted on February 13, 2008, during the 2008 General Plan Review Cycle application period and was recommended for initiation to the Board of Supervisors by County staff, the Planning Director, and the Planning Commission. On May 25, 2010, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors adopted an order initiating proceedings for General Plan Amendment No. 945. The GPIP report package is included with this report. GPA No. 945 and Change of Zone No. 7743 (the "project") are now being taken forward for consideration.

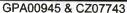
#### Airport Influence Area ("AIA")

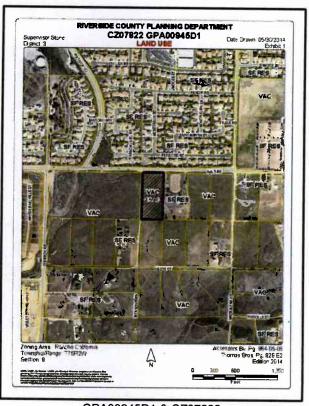
The project site is located within the French Valley Airport Influence Area. As a result, this project is required to be reviewed by the Airport Land Use Commission ("ALUC"). File No. ZAP1045FV12 was submitted to the ALUC for review in December 2011. Based upon the location of the project site relative to the airport, ALUC made a determination that the proposed General Plan Amendment is consistent with French Valley Airport Influence Area. No restrictions are imposed upon the site or the site's ultimate use as commercial.

#### Project History

The original application for General Plan Amendment No. 945, included four separate parcels (964-050-006, 964-050-007, 964-050-008 and 964-050-009), totaling approximately 20-acres. It was a proposal to change the site's Foundation Component and Land Use Designation to Community Development: Commercial Retail (CD:CR) (0.20-0.35 FAR) on all four parcels. Since the time of submission, the applicant split the original project into two separate projects, which became GPA00945D1 and GPA00945. General Plan Amendment No. 945D1 includes APN: 964-050-006 only and was previously approved by the Board of Supervisors for a Commercial Retail Land Use Designation on November 25, 2014. General Plan Amendment No. 945 includes APNs: 964-050-008 and 964-050-009 and is now being taken forward for consideration. APN: 964-050-007, associated with the original submission, is no longer a part of either project.







GPA00945D1 & CZ07822

#### SB 18 and AB 52 Tribal Consultations

Pursuant to SB 18 requirements, Riverside County staff previously requested a list from the Native American Heritage Commission ("NAHC") of Native American Tribes whose historical extent includes the project site. Consultation request notices were sent to each of the Tribes on the list on November 29, 2010. SB 18 provides for a 90-day review period in which all noticed Tribes may request consultation regarding the proposed project. County staff received no consultation requests for this project during the 90-day review period.

AB 52 became effective on July 1, 2015. In compliance with AB 52, separate notices regarding this project were mailed to all requesting Tribes on September 10, 2015. AB 52 provides for a 30-day review period in which all noticed Tribes may request consultation regarding the proposed project. County staff received notification from the Pechanga Tribe within the 30-day period, requesting to initiate consultation on this project. County staff discussed this project with the Pechanga Tribe on October 10, 2015,

explaining that the project scope includes a legislative action only. There is no accompanying implementing project and it will result in no physical disturbance of the site. The Pechanga Tribe concluded that this project could move forward with no additional consultation, provided they are again noticed during the time of any future implementing project. In accordance with this request and in compliance with AB 52, County staff will notice the Pechanga tribe, as well as all other requesting Tribes, at the time a project is submitted.

#### **ISSUES OF POTENTIAL CONCERN:**

City of Temecula - Sphere of Influence

The project site is located within the City of Temecula sphere of influence. As a result, this proposed project was previously provided to the City of Temecula for their review. In a letter dated May 19, 2014 the City of Temecula requested a traffic impact analysis, and specified intersections that they would like to have analyzed. It was resolved that a traffic analysis will be prepared at the time of an implementing project. The study will be provided to the City for their review.

#### General Plan Amendment Findings

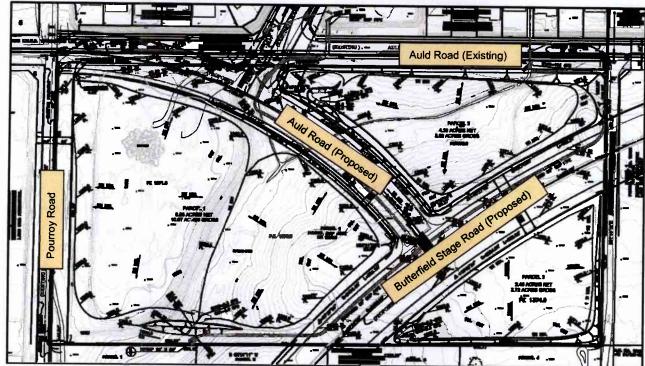
This project includes both a Regular Foundation Amendment and an Entitlement/Policy Amendment. A Regular Foundation Amendment application is allowed to be submitted only during a General Plan Review Cycle, which was previously every five (5) years and is now every eight (8) years. This project was submitted on February 13, 2008, within the 2008 General Plan Review Cycle application period. A Regular Foundation Amendment is required to adhere to a two-step approval process; whereby the first step is for the Board of Supervisors to adopt an order to initiate the Amendment proceedings. The second step, after initiation, is for the proposed Regular Foundation Amendment to go through the entitlement process, where the project will be publicly noticed and prepared for both Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors hearings and finaled during an adoption cycle.

The Administration Element of the Riverside County General Plan and Article 2 of Ordinance No. 348 provides that three (3) findings must be made to justify a Regular Foundation Amendment. Additionally, five (5) findings must be made to justify an Entitlement/Policy Amendment. This proposed project is a request to change from one Foundation Component to another, as well as from one Land Use Designation to another. As a result, both sets of findings must be made. There is some overlap between the Foundation and Entitlement/Policy Amendment findings, which are further described below:

1) (FOUNDATION FINDING) The Foundation change is based on substantial evidence that new conditions or circumstances disclosed during the review process justify modifying the General Plan, that the modifications do not conflict with the overall Riverside County Vision, and that they would not create an internal inconsistency among the elements of the General Plan.

#### New Circumstance

A proposed realignment of Butterfield Stage Road at the intersections of Auld Road, Dickson Path, and Pourroy Road will result in the subdivision of a single 20-acre parcel into 3 parcels and include dedication for right-of-way. Although this project site is not a part of this Tentative Parcel Map ("TPM") area, the realignment impacts the adjacent properties to the east, including the project site. The realignment will result in an expansion to the circulation system in the immediate area, changing the pattern of development and land use along Auld Road.



Proposed Realignment - Tentative Parcel Map 32379

The approximate 20-acre property shown in the above TPM has a General Plan Land Use Designation of Commercial Retail and as discussed above, the property to the east was recently amended to Commercial Retail under GPA00945D1. As a result of the realignment and dedication for right-of-way, there will be a decrease in some potentially developable commercial property. The Foundation Component Amendment justification for GPA00945D1 was that there would be no net increase in commercial property by changing the site's land use to Commercial Retail.

Looking at this corridor area along the southside of Auld Road from Pourroy Road on the west to Maddalena Road on the east in a larger context, the realignment will have an effect on the project site as well. It will create an expansion to the circulation system for the area, changing traffic patterns and ultimately land use. These properties adjacent to Auld Road on the southside, will be better suited for commercial, due to the increased traffic, limited access, and a centralized location, ideal for neighborhood commercial serving uses. Amending the project site's land use to commercial is a reasonable change as it will create a continuation of the Auld Road commercial corridor to a logical transition area at Maddalena Road. This proposed realignment represents a new condition and justifies a Foundation Component Amendment.

#### Riverside County Vision

The Riverside County General Plan Vision Statement discusses many concepts, which are distinguished by categories and include housing, population growth, healthy communities, conservation, transportation, and several others. This project has been reviewed in conjunction with the Vision Statement and staff has determined that the project is consistent with it. Specifically, the Jobs and the Economy portion of the General Plan Vision Statement says, "Jobs/housing balance is significantly improved overall, as well as within subregions of the County." This Foundation Amendment will result in providing a blend of land uses for the area in support of a more balanced Jobs/Housing mix. Additional commercial land along the Auld Road corridor is appropriate and will potentially enable localized jobs and services creation. For these reasons, this project is consistent

with the Riverside County Vision Statement and this General Plan Foundation Component modification is justified.

#### Internal Consistency

Excluding the French Valley Airport Influence Area ("AIA") and the Highway 79 Policy Area, the project site is not located within any other policy area or special overlay that would result in an inconsistency from a General Plan Foundation Component Amendment to Commercial Retail (CR) (0.20-0.35 FAR). The Airport Land Use Commission ("ALUC") has determined that this proposed General Plan Amendment is consistent with the AIA criteria for commercial development and the Highway 79 Policy only applies to residential development.

Staff has reviewed this project in conjunction with each of the ten (10) Riverside County General Plan Elements, which includes Vision, Land Use, Circulation, Multi-Purpose Open Space, Safety, Noise, Housing, Air Quality, Healthy Communities, and Administration, and has determined that this project is in conformance with the policies and objectives of each element. This is supported through the Jobs and Economy section of the Vision Statement, which states the following:

 Jobs/housing balance is significantly improved overall, as well as within subregions of the County.

This proposed General Plan Foundation Component Amendment will provide an opportunity to establish a neighborhood serving commercial use under a future implementing project, further balancing the jobs/housing ratio. This project will not create an inconsistency with any of the General Plan elements and as a result, a General Plan Foundation Component Amendment is justified.

### 2) (ENTITLEMENT/POLICY FINDING) The proposed change does not involve a change in or conflict with:

#### a) The Riverside County Vision;

As demonstrated in the above discussion, this proposed General Plan Foundation Component Amendment is consistent with the Vision Statement of the Riverside County General Plan. In addition, this Entitlement/Policy Amendment is also consistent with the Vision Statement for the same reasons. The Vision Statement encourages the establishment of an appropriate Jobs/Housing balance at both the regional and localized scales. Creating pockets of Commercial Land Use in appropriate locations to support residential communities, furthers this Vision. As a result, this project is consistent with the Riverside County Vision Statement.

#### b) Any General Plan Principle; or

The Riverside County General Plan, Appendix B: General Planning Principles consists of seven (7) categories, including Community Development, Environmental Protection, Transportation, Community Design, Agricultural, Rural Development, and Economic Development. This project has been reviewed in conjunction with these categories and staff has determined that the project is consistent with the planning principles contained within. Specifically, there are two principles that are of note.

The first principal is within the Community Development category – Commerce and Industrial Development:

 "Promote a mix of uses, especially including high employment uses such as commercial and office development as well as mixed-use projects."

There is a concern that an ample supply of commercially designated property in the area might be compromised by the realignment of Butterfield Stage Road. The designation of the project site to Commercial Retail will help negate any potential loss of commercial acreage along the Auld Road corridor due to right-of-way dedications.

The second principal is within the Community Design category – Community Variety, Choice, and Balance:

• "Distributing growth in a rational way between urban, suburban and rural spheres with an appropriate allocation of resources to meet necessary infrastructure requirements."

This project will result in a shift from residential to commercial land use, in support of the pending growth in the area. It will be located far enough away from the commercial retail sites on Highway 79 to service the surrounding residential subdivisions. In addition, the location will encourage local and cross-town traffic to remain on the Butterfield Stage Road bypass. There is no conflict with any General Plan principle.

c) Any Foundation Component designation in the General Plan.

As demonstrated in the above findings, this proposed Foundation Component Amendment in conjunction with the Entitlement/Policy Amendment, does not conflict with the Riverside County Vision Statement or any of the General Plan principles. This Amendment will result in a logical extension of the existing and future Commercial Retail development patterns along the Auld Road corridor, which supports the County's goals and vision.

3) (ENTITLEMENT/POLICY FINDING) The proposed amendment would either contribute to the achievement of the purposes of the General Plan or, at a minimum, would not be detrimental to them.

One of the primary goals of the Riverside County General Plan is to enable orderly and managed growth throughout the County. This is achieved through adherence to the General Plan's established policies, which enable implementation of the goals. The following two General Plan policies will be achieved through this Amendment:

 Policy LU 23.1 - Accommodate the development of commercial uses in areas appropriately designated by the General Plan and the plan land use maps.

Based upon the proposed realignment and the future enhanced circulation system around the project site, a Commercial Land Use designation is appropriate and can be accommodated along the Auld Road corridor. Furthermore, with the designation of the project site to Commercial Retail, this will help negate the loss of some commercial property due to road dedication.

 Policy LU 3.1 (c) - Promote parcel consolidation or coordinated planning of adjacent parcels through incentive programs and planning assistance.

Through the Planning Department review process and a holistic view of the project site in conjunction with the Auld Road corridor, consolidation of property for commercial use is a

reasonable transition for the area. Furthermore, this project will result in providing a nearly seamless continuation of commercial property on the southside of Auld Road, from Dickson Path on the west to Maddalena Road on the east. As demonstrated, this proposed General Plan Amendment will contribute to the achievement of the General Plan purpose.

4) (ENTITLEMENT/POLICY FINDING) Special circumstances or conditions have emerged that were unanticipated in preparing the General Plan.

As stated in the above findings, the realignment of Butterfield Stage Road at the intersections of Auld Road, Dickson Path, and Pourroy Road will divide a single 20-acre Commercial Retail designated property into three smaller disconnected parcels, reducing the developable commercial area. This proposed realignment changes the land use pattern along the Auld Road corridor; whereby, commercial uses are now more appropriate. The proposed realignment is a new circumstance and as a result, this General Plan Amendment is a reasonable change.

#### **SUMMARY OF FINDINGS:**

1. Existing Foundation General Plan Land Use (Ex #6): Rural (R)

2. Proposed Foundation General Plan Land Use (Ex #6): Community Development (CD)

3. Existing General Plan Land Use (Ex #6): Rural Residential (RR)

4. Proposed General Plan Land Use (Ex #6): Commercial Retail (CR) (0.20-0.35 Floor Area Ratio)

5. Surrounding General Plan Land Use (Ex #6):

Residential (RR) to the south, Rural Residential (RR) to the east, Commercial Retail (CR) and Rural Residential (RR) to the west.

6. Existing Zoning (Ex #2):

7. Proposed Zoning:

8. Surrounding Zoning (Ex #2):

9. Existing Land Use (Ex #1):

10. Surrounding Land Use (Ex #1):

11. Project Size:

12. Environmental Concerns:

A-1-5 (Light Agriculture, 5-acre minimum)

Specific Plan (SP) to the north, Rural

General Commercial (C-1/C-P)

Specific Plan (SP) to the north, Rural Agricultural, 2 ½ Acre Minimum (R-A-2 ½) to the east, Light Agriculture, 5 Acre Minimum (A-1-5) to the south and General Commercial (C-1/C-P) to the west

Vacant Land

Single family residential to the north, Single family residential and vacant land to the south, Single family residential and vacant land to the east, Single family residential and vacant land to the west.

9.49 acres

See Environmental Assessment File No.

41773

#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

<u>ADOPT PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION No. 2015-024</u> recommending adoption of General Plan Amendment No. 945 to the Riverside County Board of Supervisors;

THE PLANNING STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

<u>ADOPT</u> a NEGATIVE DECLARATION for ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. 41773, based on the findings incorporated in the initial study and the conclusion that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment; and,

TENTATIVELY APPROVE GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 945, amending the project site's General Plan Foundation Component from Rural (R) to Community Development (CD) and amending its Land Use Designation from Rural Residential (RR) (5-acre minimum) to Commercial Retail (CR) (0.20-0.35 floor area ratio on two parcels, totaling 9.49-acres, in accordance with the Proposed General Plan Land Use Exhibit #6; based on the findings and conclusions incorporated in the staff report; and, pending final adoption of the General Plan Amendment Resolution by the Board of Supervisors; and,

<u>TENTATIVELY APPROVE</u> CHANGE OF ZONE NO. 7743, changing the project site's Zoning Classification from A-1-5 (Light Agriculture, 5-acre minimum) to C-1/C-P (General Commercial) on two parcels, totaling 9.49 acres, in accordance with the Proposed Change of Zone Exhibit #3; based on the findings and conclusions incorporated in the staff report; and, pending final adoption of the Change of Zone Ordinance by the Board of Supervisors.

**FINDINGS:** The following findings are in addition to those incorporated in the summary of findings and in the attached environmental assessment, which is incorporated herein by reference.

- 1. The project site has a General Plan Land Use Designation of Rural: Rural Residential (R:RR) and is located in the Southwest Area Plan.
- 2. The project site is surrounded by properties which have a General Plan Land Use Designation of Specific Plan to the north, Rural Residential (RR) to the east and south, and Commercial Retail (CR) to west.
- 3. This Regular Foundation Component Amendment and an Entitlement/Policy Amendment will result in a land use change to Community Development: Commercial Retail (CD:CR) (0.20-0.35 floor area ratio).
- 4. As provided in this staff report, this project is consistent with both the Administrative Element of the Riverside County General Plan and Sections 2.4 and 2.5 of Ordinance No. 348.
- 5. As provided in this staff report, this project is in conformance with each of the Riverside County General Plan Elements and will not create an internal inconsistency with them.
- 6. As provided in this staff report, this project does not conflict with nor does it require any changes to the Riverside County Vision Statement.
- 7. As provided in this staff report, this project is consistent with the planning principles in Appendix B of the Riverside County General Plan.

- 8. Special circumstances or conditions have emerged that were unanticipated in preparing the General Plan. Looking at this corridor area along the southside of Auld Road from Pourroy Road on the west to Maddalena Road on the east in a larger context, the realignment will have an effect on the project site as well. It will create an expansion to the circulation system for the area, changing traffic patterns and ultimately land use. These properties adjacent to Auld Road on the southside, will be better suited for commercial, due to the increased traffic, limited access, and a centralized location, ideal for neighborhood commercial serving uses. Amending the project site's land use to commercial is a reasonable change as it will create a continuation of the Auld Road commercial corridor to a logical transition area at Maddalena Road. This proposed realignment represents a new condition and justifies a Foundation Component Amendment.
- 9. The Riverside County General Plan Land Use Element Policy LU 23.1 states, "Accommodate the development of commercial uses in areas appropriately designated by the General Plan and the plan land use maps." Based upon the proposed realignment and the future enhanced circulation system around the project site, a Commercial Land Use designation is appropriate and can be accommodated along the Auld Road corridor. Furthermore, with the designation of the project site to Commercial Retail, this will help negate the loss of some commercial property due to road dedication.
- 10. The Riverside County General Plan Land Use Element Policy LU 3.1 (c) states, "Promote parcel consolidation or coordinated planning of adjacent parcels through incentive programs and planning assistance." Through the Planning Department review process and a holistic view of the project site in conjunction with the Auld Road corridor, consolidation of property for commercial use is a reasonable transition for the area. Furthermore, this project will result in providing a nearly seamless continuation of commercial property on the southside of Auld Road, from Dickson Path on the west to Maddalena Road on the east.
- 11. The Zoning Classification of the project site is A-1-5 (Light Agriculture, 5-acre minimum).
- 12. The project site is surrounded by properties which have a Zoning Classification of Specific Plan (SP) to the north, General Commercial (C-1/C-P) to the west, and Light Agriculture 5 Acre Minimum (A-1-5) to the south and east.
- 13. The accompanying Change of Zone application will result in a change of the site's Zoning Classification to C-1/C-P (General Commercial).
- 14. Environmental Assessment No. 41773 identified no potentially significant impacts, and resulted in a Negative Declaration of environmental effects.

#### **CONCLUSIONS:**

- 1. This proposed project is in conformance with the Community Development: Commercial Retail Land Use Designation, and with all other elements of the Riverside County General Plan.
- 2. This proposed project is consistent with the General Commercial (C-1/C-P) Zoning Classification of Ordinance No. 348, and with all other applicable provisions of Ordinance No. 348.
- 3. The public's health, safety, and general welfare are protected through project design.

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- 4. The proposed project is compatible with the present and future logical development of the area.
- 5. The proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 6. The proposed project will not preclude reserve design for the Western Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (WRCMSHCP).

#### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

- 1. As of this writing, no letters, in support or opposition have been received.
- 2. The project site is <u>not</u> located within:
  - a. The boundaries of a City; or
  - b. A Criteria Cell of the Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan ("MSHCP"); or
  - c. A County Service Area ("CSA"); or
  - d. A Fault zone; or
  - e. A "High" wildfire hazard zone.
- 3. The project site is located within:
  - a. The city of Temecula sphere of influence; and
  - b. State Fire Responsibility Area; and
  - d. A Flood Zone and Dam Inundation Area.
- 4. The subject site is currently designated as Assessor's Parcel Numbers 964-050-008 and 964-050-009.

# Planning Commission

**County of Riverside** 

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2015-024**

#### RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF

#### GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 945

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section(s) 65350/65450 et. seq., public hearings were held before the Riverside County Planning Commission in Riverside, California on November 04, 2015, to consider the above-referenced matter; and,

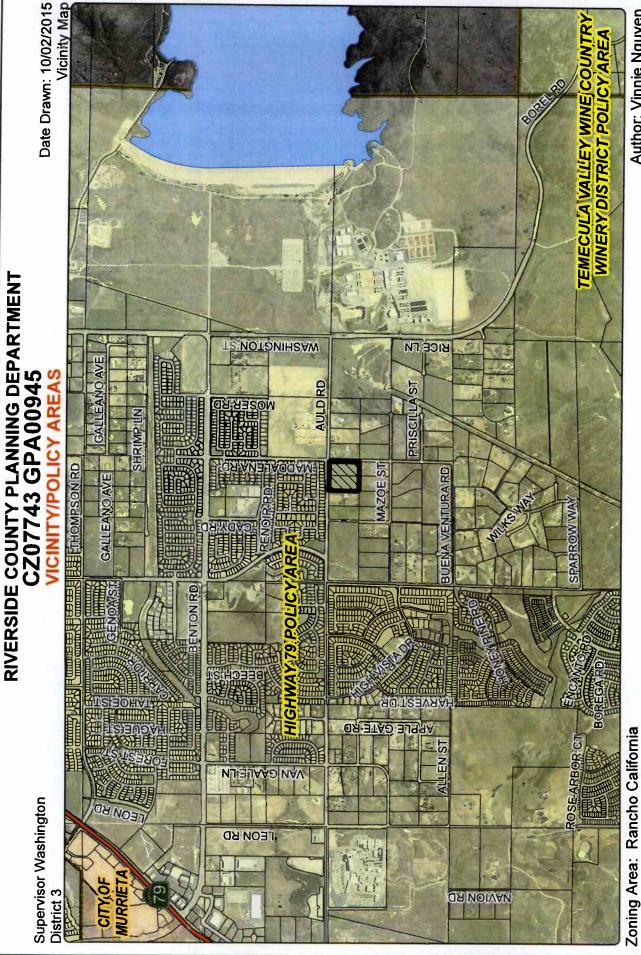
WHEREAS, all the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and Riverside County CEQA implementing procedures have been met and the environmental document prepared or relied on is sufficiently detailed so that all the potentially significant effects of the project on the environment and measures necessary to avoid or substantially lessen such effects have been evaluated in accordance with the above-referenced Act and Procedures; and,

WHEREAS, the matter was discussed fully with testimony and documentation presented by the public and affected government agencies; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED, FOUND, DETERMINED, AND ORDERED** by the Planning Commission of the County of Riverside, in regular session assembled on November 04, 2015, that it has reviewed and considered the environmental document prepared or relied on and recommends the following based on the staff report and the findings and conclusions stated therein:

**ADOPTION** of the Negative Declaration environmental document, Environmental Assessment File No. 41773; and

ADOPTION of General Plan Amendment No. 945



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#### RIVERSIDE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT CZ07743 GPA00945

Supervisor Washington District 3

LAND USE

Date Drawn: 10/02/2015

Exhibit 1

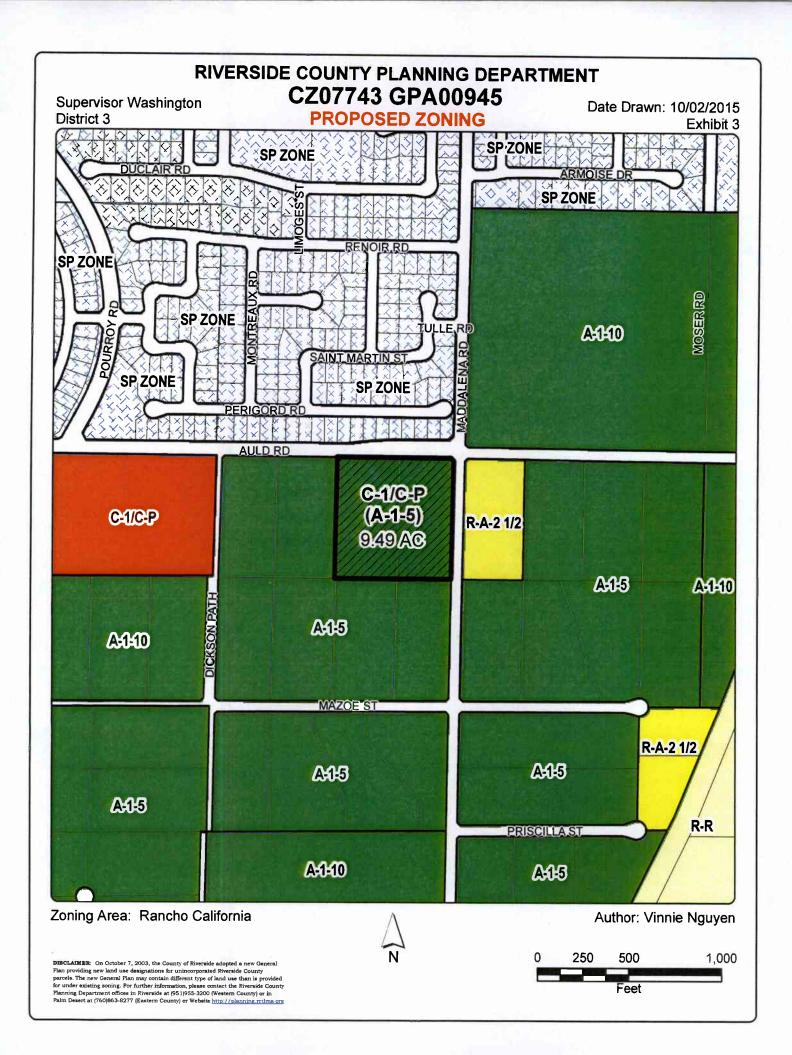


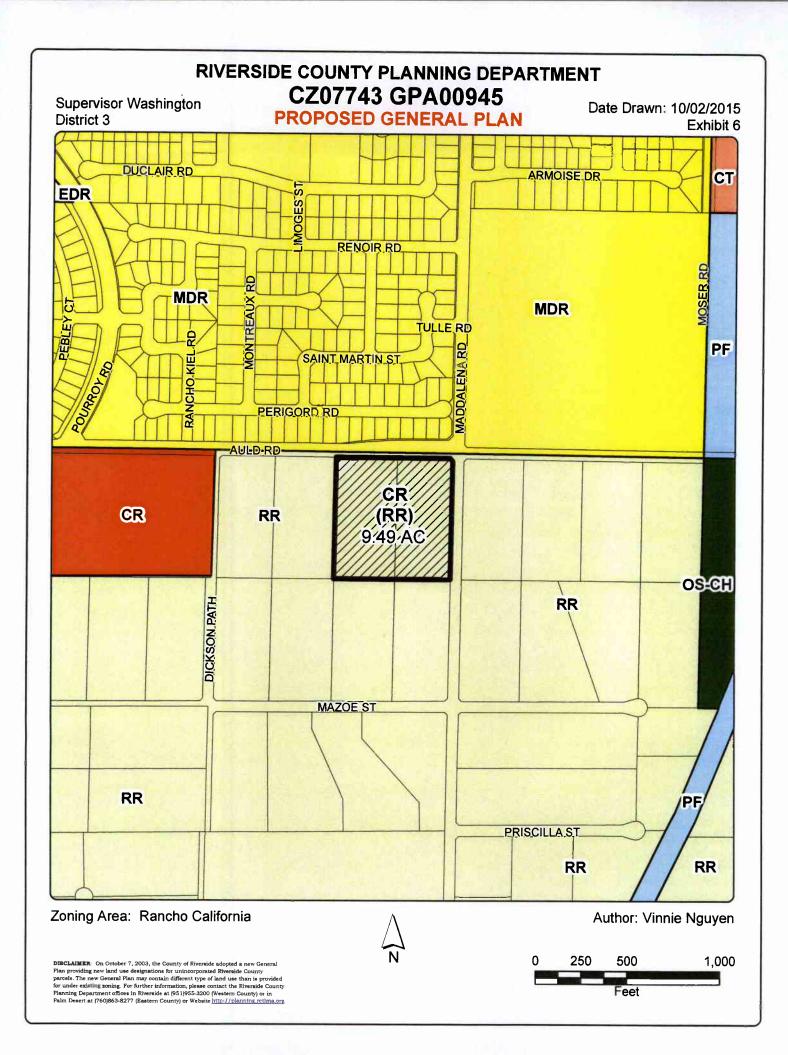
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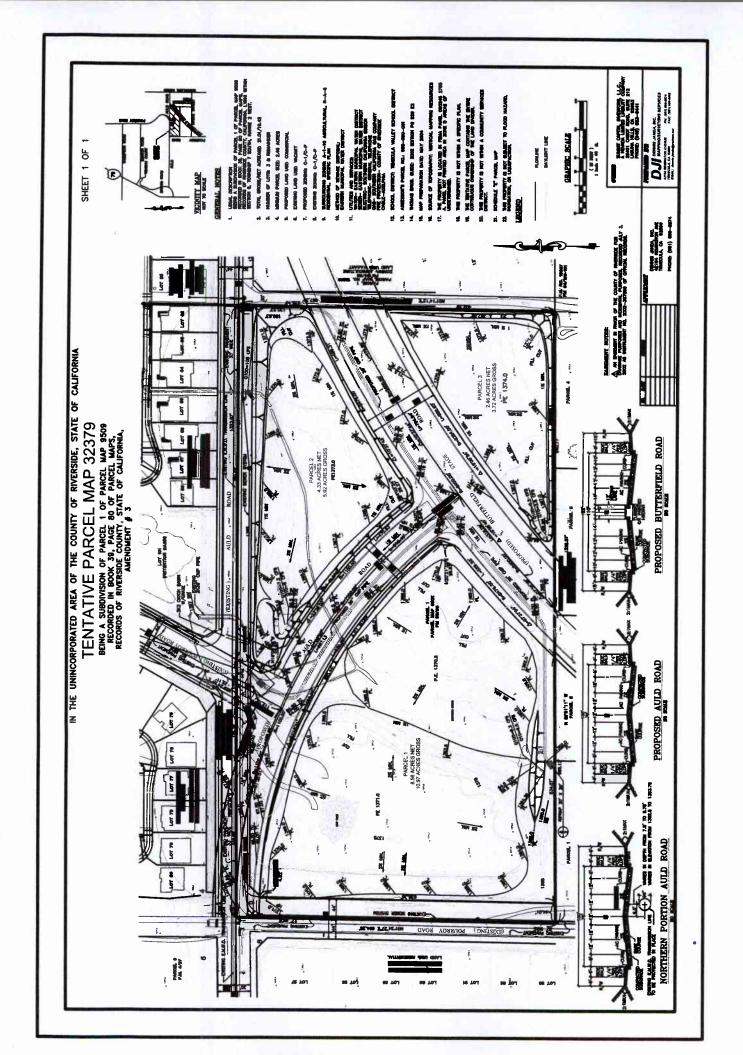
Author: Vinnie Nguyen

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DISCLAIMER: On October 7, 2003, the County of Riverside adopted a new General Plan providing new land use designations for unincorporated Riverside County parcels. The new General Plan may contain different type of land use than is provided for under existing zoning. For further information, please contact the Riverside County Planning Department offices in Riverside at (55) 1958-5200 (Western County) or in Palm Desert at (760)863-8277 (Eastern County) or Webeite Little // Planning nations.org







# COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM: INITIAL STUDY

**Environmental Assessment No.: 41773** 

Project Case(s): General Plan Amendment No. 945 and Change of Zone No. 7743

Lead Agency Name: County of Riverside Planning Department Lead Agency Address: P.O. Box 1409, Riverside, CA 92502-1409

Lead Agency Contact Person: John Earle Hildebrand III

Lead Agency Telephone Number: 951-955-1888

Applicant's Name: Londen Land Companies, LLC c/o Ashlee Lewis Applicant's Address: 4343 East Camelback Road, Phoenix, AZ 85018

Applicant's Telephone Number: 602-957-1650

#### I. PROJECT INFORMATION

- A. Project Description: Proposal to amend the project site's General Plan Foundation Component from Rural (R) to Community Development (CD), amend its Land Use Designation from Rural Residential (RR) (5-acre minimum) to Commercial Retail (CR) (0.20-0.35 floor area ratio), and change the Zoning Classification from A-1-5 (Light Agriculture, 5-acre minimum) to C-1/C-P (General Commercial) on two parcels, totaling 9.49 acres.
- B. Type of Project: Site Specific ⊠; Countywide □; Community □; Policy □.
- C. Total Project Area: 9.49
- D. Assessor's Parcel No(s): 964-050-008 and 964-050-009
- E. Street References: East of Dickson Path, South of Auld Road, West of Maddalena Road, and North of Mazoe Street
- F. Section, Township & Range Description: Township 7 South, Range 2 West, Section 9
- G. Brief description of the existing environmental setting of the project site and its surroundings: The project site is vacant land, surrounded by single family residential and other vacant land.

#### II. APPLICABLE GENERAL PLAN AND ZONING REGULATIONS

#### A. General Plan Elements/Policies:

- 1. Land Use: The project site is currently designated Rural: Rural Residential (RUR:RR) (5 Ac. Min.). This General Plan Amendment will result in amending the General Plan Foundation Component of the project site from Rural (RUR) to Community Development (CD), amend the General Plan Land Use Designation of the project site from Rural Residential (RR) (5 Acre Minimum Lot Size) to Commercial Retail (CR) (0.20-0.35 Floor Area Ratio), and change the Zoning Classification from A-1-5 (Light Agriculture, 5-acre minimum) to C-1/C-P (General Commercial) on two parcels, totaling 9.49 acres. This project is consistent with the provisions of the Land Use Element.
- 2. Circulation: The project site is bounded by Auld Road, Dickson Path and Maddalena Road providing a number of options for access into the site. The project site also falls

- within the boundary of the Highway 79 Policy Area and is consistent with the requirements of the policy area. This project is consistent with the provisions of the Circulation Element.
- 3. Multipurpose Open Space: The project site is located within the Western Riverside County Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP); however, the project is not located within a criteria cell. Although, the project site is not located within a criteria cell, the site will be required to conform to additional plan wide Requirements of the MSHCP, including Riparian/Riverine Policies, Specific Species Surveys, Urban/Wildlands Interface Guidelines (UWIG) and Narrow Endemic Plant Species Policies and Determination of Biologically Equivalent or Superior Preservation Analysis (DBESP) as applicable. This project is consistent with the provisions of the Open Space Element.
- 4. Safety: The project site is located within a State responsibility fire area and shall adhere to such requirements. The project site has a low potential for liquefaction and is susceptible to subsidence. The site is not located within a flood zone or a fault zone. This project is consistent with the provisions of the Safety Element.
- 5. **Noise:** The proposed General Plan Amendment proposes to amend the land use designation of the project site to a commercial designation which is not considered to be a significant noise generating uses. This project is consistent with the provisions of the Noise Element.
- 6. **Housing:** This project will not result in the construction of new dwelling units nor will it result in the demolition of any dwelling units. This project is consistent with the provisions of the Housing Element.
- 7. Air Quality: The general plan amendment may result in additional vehicle trips in the vicinity of the subject site. This project is consistent with the provisions of the Air Quality Element.
- 8. Healthy Communities: This project is consistent with the provisions of the Healthy Communities Element.
- B. General Plan Area Plan(s): Southwest Area Plan
- C. General Plan Foundation Component (Existing): Rural (R)
- D. General Plan Foundation Component (Proposed): Community Development (CD)
- E. General Plan Land Use Designation (Existing): Rural Residential (RR)
- F. General Plan Land Use Designation (Proposed): Commercial Retail (CR)
- G. Overlay(s), if any: N/A
- H. Policy Area(s), if any: Highway 79 Policy Area
- I. Adjacent and Surrounding:
  - 1. Area Plan(s): Southwest Area Plan to the north, south, east and west

<ol> <li>Foundation Component(s): Community Development (CD) to the north and west. Rural (R) to the south and east.</li> </ol>
<ol> <li>Land Use Designation(s): Medium Density Residential (MDR) to the north, Rural Residential (RR) to the south and east and Commercial Retail (CR) to the west.</li> </ol>
4. Overlay(s), if any: N/A
5. Policy Area(s), if any: Highway 79 Policy Area to the north, south, east and west.
J. Adopted Specific Plan Information
1. Name and Number of Specific Plan, if any: N/A
2. Specific Plan Planning Area, and Policies, if any: N/A
K. Existing Zoning: Light Agriculture, 5 Acre Minimum (A-1-5)
L. Proposed Zoning,: General Commercial (C-1/C-P)
M. Adjacent and Surrounding Zoning: Specific Plan (SP) to the north, Rural Agricultural, 2 ½ Acre Minimum (R-A-2 ½) to the east, Light Agriculture, 5 Acre Minimum (A-1-5) to the south and General Commercial (C-1/C-P) to the west.
III. ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED
The environmental factors checked below ( x ) would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" or "Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.
□ Aesthetics       □ Hazards & Hazardous Materials       □ Recreation         □ Agriculture & Forest Resources       □ Hydrology / Water Quality       □ Transportation / Traffic         □ Air Quality       □ Land Use / Planning       □ Utilities / Service Systems         □ Biological Resources       □ Mineral Resources       □ Other:         □ Cultural Resources       □ Noise       □ Other:         □ Geology / Soils       □ Population / Housing       □ Mandatory Findings of Significance         □ Greenhouse Gas Emissions       □ Public Services       Significance
IV. DETERMINATION
On the basis of this initial evaluation:  A PREVIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT/NEGATIVE DECLARATION WAS NOT
PREPARED  ☐ I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a
NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.  ☐ I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project, described in this document, have been made or agreed to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.

A PREVIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT/NI	EGATIVE DECLARATION WAS PREPARED	
I find that although the proposed project could have <b>NEW ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION IS REQ</b> effects of the proposed project have been adequated Declaration pursuant to applicable legal standards, (b) all project have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to the proposed project will not result in any new significant en EIR or Negative Declaration, (d) the proposed project will environmental effects identified in the earlier EIR or Negative Declaration	UIRED because (a) all potentially significant ely analyzed in an earlier EIR or Negative II potentially significant effects of the proposed at earlier EIR or Negative Declaration, (c) the vironmental effects not identified in the earlier II not substantially increase the severity of the ative Declaration, (e) no considerably different mitigation measures found infeasible have	
I find that although all potentially significant effects EIR or Negative Declaration pursuant to applicable leganecessary but none of the conditions described in Calexist. An <b>ADDENDUM</b> to a previously-certified EIR or will be considered by the approving body or bodies.	al standards, some changes or additions are lifornia Code of Regulations, Section 15162 Negative Declaration has been prepared and	
I find that at least one of the conditions described 15162 exist, but I further find that only minor additions or EIR adequately apply to the project in the changed site ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required that no make the previous EIR adequate for the project as revised.	changes are necessary to make the previous tuation; therefore a <b>SUPPLEMENT TO THE</b> eed only contain the information necessary to	
I find that at least one of the following conditions described in California Code of Regulations, Section 15162, exist and a SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required: (1) Substantial changes are proposed in the project which will require major revisions of the previous EIR or negative declaration due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects; (2) Substantial changes have occurred with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken which will require major revisions of the previous EIR or negative declaration due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects; or (3) New information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the previous EIR was certified as complete or the negative declaration was adopted, shows any the following:(A) The project will have one or more significant effects not discussed in the previous EIR or negative declaration;(B) Significant effects previously examined will be substantially more severe than shown in the previous EIR or negative declaration;(C) Mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible, and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measures or alternatives; or,(D) Mitigation measures or alternatives which are considerably different from those analyzed in the previous EIR or negative declaration would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project on the environment, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measures or alternatives.		
John Wildebrond	10/01/2015	
Signature	Date	
John Earle Hildebrand III, <i>Project Planner</i>	For: Steve Weiss, AICP – Planning Director	
Printed Name		

# V. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES ASSESSMENT

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code Section 21000-21178.1), this Initial Study has been prepared to analyze the proposal and to determine any potential significant impacts upon the environment that would result from construction and implementation of the proposal. This initial study will only be evaluating potential environmental impacts associated with the General Plan Foundation Component Amendment, subsequent development applications will be reviewed for CEQA compliance at the time they are submitted. In accordance with California Code of Regulations, Section 15063, this Initial Study is a preliminary analysis prepared by the Lead Agency, the County of Riverside, in consultation with other jurisdictional agencies, to determine whether a Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration, or an Environmental Impact Report is required for the proposed project. The purpose of this Initial Study is to inform the decision-makers, affected agencies, and the public of potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed General Plan Amendment.

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
AESTHETICS Would the project				
<ol> <li>Scenic Resources</li> <li>a) Have a substantial effect upon a scenic highway corridor within which it is located?</li> </ol>				
b) Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings and unique or landmark features; obstruct any prominent scenic vista or view open to the public; or result in the creation of an aesthetically offensive site open to public view?				
Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure C-9 "Scenic I	Highways,"	Staff Review		
Findings of Fact:				
a) The project site is not located within the vicinity of any S and therefore will not have a substantial effect upon a scenic	tate, Count highway co	ty or Eligible rridor.	Scenic Hig	ghway
b) The project site does not contain any significant rock outcomes. The proposal shall not obstruct any prominent scen commercial development would be required to comply with the with any landscaping requirements. Therefore, there is no impose	nic vista or he Countyv	view open to	the public	. Anv
Mitigation: No mitigation measures are required				
Monitoring: No monitoring measures are required				
2. Mt. Palomar Observatory a) Interfere with the nighttime use of the Mt. Palomar Observatory, as protected through Riverside County Ordinance No. 655?				
Source: GIS database Ord No 655 (Regulating Light Pollut	ion) Staff F	Peview		

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	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
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### Findings of Fact:

The project site is located 20.36 miles from the Mt. Palomar Observatory and is within Zone B of Riverside County Ordinance 655 (Regulating Light Pollution). Subsequent development applications consistent with the General Plan Amendment proposing lighting shall be conditioned to comply with Ordinance No. 655. Compliance with Ordinance No. 655 restricts the use of certain light fixtures emitting light into the night sky that may create undesirable light glow and detrimentally affect astronomical observations and research.

This is a programmatic level CEQA analysis. This project will result in amending the site's General Plan Foundation Component, Land Use Designation, and Zoning Classification, which could eventually lead to development on the property. Should a development proposal or land use application for subdividing, grading, or construction of the site be submitted, a subsequent Environmental Analysis shall be prepared, to assess the potential impacts. As a result, impacts associated with this project are considered less than significant.

Mitigation: No mitigation measures are required

Monitoring: No monitoring measures are required

3. Other Lighting Issues <ul> <li>a) Create a new source of substantial light or glare</li> <li>which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?</li> </ul>		$\boxtimes$	
b) Expose residential property to unacceptable light levels?		$\boxtimes$	

Source: Project Application Description

# Findings of Fact:

- a) The proposal will not directly create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area. If approved, GPA No. 945 would allow for the subsequent approval of commercial development projects that would create a new source of lighting; however, implementing projects will be reviewed for such impacts during the development review process prior to any discretionary action or project approval. Per Riverside County ordinances, lighting will be required to be hooded and shielded in order to prevent the creation of substantial light. Reflective surfaces will be minimized in construction of the development which would limit the potential for substantial glare created by the project. With adherence to the Ordinance No. 655 lighting control measures and landscape buffering it is not anticipated that spill-over light would adversely surrounding properties. As a result, impacts associated with this project are considered less than significant.
- b) As this proposal is a land use and zoning change only, it would not directly expose residential property to unacceptable light levels. Subsequent implementing project will be required to comply with the necessary County ordinance, policies and programs, such as Ordinance No. 655 to ensure that surrounding residential properties to the north, south, east and west of the project site are not

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adversely impacted by the development. As a result, in considered less than significant.	mpacts asso	ociated with	this proje	ect are
Mitigation: No mitigation measures are required				
Monitoring: No monitoring measures are required				
AGRICULTURE & FOREST RESOURCES Would the proje	ct			
4. Agriculture  a) Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland) as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to				
non-agricultural use?  b) Conflict with existing agricultural zoning, agricultural use or with land subject to a Williamson Act contract or land within a Riverside County Agricultural Preserve?				
c) Cause development of non-agricultural uses within 300 feet of agriculturally zoned property (Ordinance No. 625 "Right-to-Farm")?				
d) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use?			$\boxtimes$	
Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure OS-2 "Agr Review and Project Application Materials.  Findings of Fact:  a) The Riverside County General Plan Open Space elements as the page designated as Farmland of Level Importance Farmland.	t, Figure OS	-2 shows tha	at the proje	ect site
has been designated as Farmland of Local Importance. Fa the categories of Prime, Statewide or Unique Farmlands importance. As the site has not been designated as Prime, will not convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmlathe maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping a Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use. As a result, considered less than significant.	but are of Statewide U and of State nd Monitorir	locally sign nique Farmla wide Importa ng Program	ificant eco and, the pro nce as sho of the Cal	onomic oposal own on lifornia
b) The project site is vacant land and is not being used for a an agricultural preserve, and will not conflict with existin (agricultural preserve) contract (Riv. Co. Agricultural Land Cothere will be no impacts.	g agricultur	al use, or a	Williamso	on Act
c) While GPA No. 945 does not propose any gradin	g or consti	uction, futu	re implem	enting

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development applications as a result of GPA No. 945 may propose and cause the development of non-agricultural uses within 300 feet of agriculturally zoned property. Given the existing Community Development Foundation Component (including commercial and residential designations) land use designations found to the east and the north of the subject site, there is a logical progression of

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Community Development within the area based on the Subsequent implementing development applications will proposals on the surrounding properties. Mitigation measure Approval shall be required as a result of the development approacts associated with this project are considered less than	be reviewe es and or Co oplication rev	ed for pote ounty-approv	ential impa ved Conditi	cts of
d) The proposal will convert an area that has been in Information System as Farmland of Local Importance to no has also indicated that disturbances have already occurred Developed/Disturbed Land. GPA No. 945 proposal would not land. Subsequent implementing development applications and mitigate any potential adverse impacts. As a result, considered less than significant.	on-agricultura ed on-site a ot adversely will also be	al use. How nd has iden impact the a reviewed in	ever, the satisfied the salready discorder to identify	system site as turbed dentify
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
a) Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Govt. Code section 51104(g))?				
b) Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?				$\boxtimes$
c) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of forest land to non-forest use?				
Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure OS-3 "Par Project Application Materials.	ks, Forests	and Recrea	ition Areas	," and
Findings of Fact:				
a) As a land use and zoning change only, the proposal wire cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timber defined by Govt. Code section 51104(g)). There will be no im-	es Code sect erland zoned	ion 12220(g	)), timberlai	nd (as
b) As a land use and zoning change only, the proposal with conversion of forest land to non-forest use. There will be no i	II not result mpacts.	in the loss	of forest la	and or
c) As a land use and zoning change only, the proposal will environment which, due to their location or nature, would reforest use. There will be no impacts.	not involve o	other change version of fo	es in the ex rest land to	kisting o non-
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				

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Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
AIR QUALITY Would the project				
6. Air Quality Impacts a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?				
b) Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?			$\boxtimes$	
c) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable Federal or State ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?			$\boxtimes$	
d) Expose sensitive receptors which are located within 1 mile of the project site to project substantial point source emissions?			$\boxtimes$	
e) Involve the construction of a sensitive receptor located within one mile of an existing substantial point source emitter?			$\boxtimes$	
f) Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?			$\boxtimes$	
Source: SCAQMD CEQA Air Quality Handbook  Findings of Fact:  a-f) The proposed land use change could result in a net incupon the proposed change to commercial. However, the amprovide a detailed analysis at this time. Any future impleme quality impacts.	ount of the	increase is t	oo specula	tive to
This is a programmatic level CEQA analysis. This project we Plan Foundation Component, Land Use Designation, and eventually lead to development on the property. Should application for subdividing, grading, or construction of Environmental Analysis shall be prepared, to assess the associated with this project are considered less than significant	nd Zoning a develop the site b potential in	Classification Classi	on, which sal or land , a subse	could d use equent
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES Would the project 7. Wildlife & Vegetation			K-2	
a) Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat				Ш

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Conservation Plan, Natural Conservation Community Plan,				
or other approved local, regional, or State conservation plan?				
b) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any endangered, or			$\boxtimes$	
threatened species, as listed in Title 14 of the California				
Code of Regulations (Sections 670.2 or 670.5) or in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations (Sections 17.11 or 17.12)?				
<ul> <li>c) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a</li> </ul>			$\boxtimes$	
candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or				
regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U. S. Wildlife Service?	1 1			
d) Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with			$\boxtimes$	
established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?				
e) Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in		П	$\boxtimes$	П
local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the	-	<del></del>		_
California Department of Fish and Game or U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				
f) Have a substantial adverse effect on Federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean			$\boxtimes$	
Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool,				~
coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?				
g) Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?			$\boxtimes$	
Source: GIS database, WRCMSHCP, General Plan, Environment	ironmental	Programs [	Department	Staff

#### Findings of Fact:

- a) The project site is located within the Western Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (WRCMSHCP); however, the site is not within an identified criteria cell area. Any future implementing development application shall be required to comply with additional plan wide requirements of the MSHCP, including Riparian/Riverine Policies, Specific Species Surveys, Urban/Wildlands Interface Guidelines (UWIG) and Narrow Endemic Plant Species Policies and Determination of Biologically Equivalent or Superior Preservation Analysis (DBESP) as applicable. all applicable requirements of the MSHCP during the review process. As a result, impacts are less than significant.
- b) The project site has been disturbed by previous activities. A plant survey concluded that no sensitive plant species were found on the project site. The subject proposal does not include any project specific development which would cause ground disturbance at this time, any further disturbance proposed by subsequent implementing development applications will be required to Page 10 of 39

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comply with the MSHCP along with any Federal or State reprocess. As a result, impacts are less than significant.	egulations	during the a	application	review
c) This environmental assessment is addressing a land use of is being proposed at this time. Subsequent implementing devitime of application for adverse impacts either directly or throus identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Gai impacts are less than significant.	elopment p ugh habitat es in local (	rojects will b modification or regional	e reviewed ns on any solid plans, polid	d at the species or
d) This environmental assessment is addressing a land use of is being proposed at this time. Subsequent implementing devetime of application for adverse impacts on the movement of wildlife species. The project site has not been identified constrained linkage area. As a result, impacts are less than significant to the project site has not been identified constrained linkage area.	elopment p any native by the MS	rojects will be resident or	e reviewed migratory	d at the fish or
e-f) This environmental assessment is addressing a land project is being proposed at this time. Subsequent imple reviewed at the time of application for adverse impacts on natural community identified in local or regional plans, por Department of Fish and Wildlife Service. Currently, no water subsequent development project will be required comply regulations set forth by Fish and Game. As a result, impacts a	ementing d any ripari blicies, regu ercourses t with all ap	levelopment an habitat oulations or la raverse the oplicable pla	projects or other se by the Ca subject sit ans, policie	will be ensitive difornia e. Any
g) This environmental assessment is addressing a land use of is being proposed at this time. Subsequent implementing devetime of application for any conflicts with local policies or ordinauch as a tree preservation policy or ordinance. Currently, the trees or other protected resources. As a result, impacts are less than the conflict of the conflict	elopment pa nances that ne project s	rojects will b protect biol ite does not	e reviewed ogical reso	at the ources.
Mitigation: No mitigation measures required.				
Monitoring: No monitoring measures required				
CULTURAL RESOURCES Would the project				
<ul><li>8. Historic Resources</li><li>a) Alter or destroy an historic site?</li></ul>				$\boxtimes$
b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in California Code of Regulations, Section 15064.5?				$\boxtimes$
Source: Project Application Materials, General Plan				
Findings of Fact:				
a-b) There are no known historic features located on the proje been previously disturbed through mining operations for	ect site. Fur the past 4	thermore, th l0 years. T	e project s he necess	ite has

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additional historic resource studies will be determined at the result, there will be no impacts.	e time of a	in implement	ting project	. As a
Mitigation: No mitigation measures are required  Monitoring: No monitoring measures are required				
<ul><li>9. Archaeological Resources</li><li>a) Alter or destroy an archaeological site.</li></ul>				$\boxtimes$
b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Section 15064.5?				$\boxtimes$
c) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?				$\boxtimes$
d) Restrict existing religious or sacred uses within the potential impact area?				$\boxtimes$
e) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource as defined in Public Resources Code 21074?			$\boxtimes$	

Source: Project Application Materials, General Plan, County Archaeologist.

#### Findings of Fact:

a-e) Pursuant to SB 18 requirements, Riverside County staff previously requested a list from the Native American Heritage Commission ("NAHC") of Native American Tribes whose historical extent includes the project site. Consultation request notices were sent to each of the Tribes on the list on November 29, 2010. SB 18 provides for a 90-day review period in which all noticed Tribes may request consultation regarding the proposed project. County staff received no consultation requests for this project during the 90-day review period.

AB 52 became effective on July 1, 2015. In compliance with AB 52, separate notices regarding this project were mailed to all requesting Tribes on September 10, 2015. AB 52 provides for a 30-day review period in which all noticed Tribes may request consultation regarding the proposed project. County staff received notification from the Pechanga Tribe within the 30-day period, requesting to initiate consultation on this project. County staff discussed this project with the Pechanga Tribe on October 10, 2015, explaining that the project scope includes a legislative action only. There is no accompanying implementing project and it will result in no physical disturbance of the site. The Pechanga Tribe concluded that this project could move forward with no additional consultation, provided they are again noticed during the time of any future implementing project. In accordance with this request and in compliance with AB 52, County staff will notice the Pechanga tribe, as well as all other requesting Tribes, at the time a project is submitted.

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Environmental Analysis shall be prepared, to assess the associated with this project are considered less than significant	potential ir ant.	npacts. As	a result, ir	mpacts
Mitigation: No mitigation measures are required				
Monitoring: No monitoring measures are required				
10. Paleontological Resources <ul> <li>a) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource, or site, or unique geologic feature?</li> </ul>			$\boxtimes$	
Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure OS-8 "Pale Land Information System	eontological	Sensitivity,"	Riverside (	County
Findings of Fact:  Pursuant to the Riverside County Land Information System high (High A) paleontological sensitivity. This is a programm result in amending the site's General Plan Foundation C Zoning Classification, which could eventually lead to development proposal or land use application for subdividir submitted, a subsequent Environmental Analysis shall be p As a result, impacts associated with this project are consider Mitigation: No mitigation measures are required  Monitoring: No monitoring measures are required	eatic level CE Component, evelopment ig, grading, repared, to	EQA analysis Land Use on the pro or construct assess the properties	s. This projection of the specific projection of	ect will n, and ould a site be
GEOLOGY AND SOILS Would the project  11. Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zone or County				
Fault Hazard Zones  a) Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death?			Ш	
b) Be subject to rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault?				$\boxtimes$
Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure S-2 "Eartho County Chief Engineering Geologist review.	juake Fault \$	Study Zones	s," GIS data	abase,
Findings of Fact:				
a) The project site is neither in a fault zone nor is it within ½ in a land use change only, no people or structures will be exported of loss, injury or death. Subsequent implementing developereview by the County Geologist and shall be required to a specified in geotechnical or other necessary studies. As a reserved	posed to adv pment applications comply with	erse effects cations wou applicable r	including the subject of the subject	ne risk ect to

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b) The project site is not documented to contain a known projects will be reviewed in accordance with CEQA guid safety and welfare of the general public are protected. As a	elines in ord	er to ensure	that the i	pment health,
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
12. Liquefaction Potential Zone  a) Be subject to seismic-related ground failure including liquefaction?	,			$\boxtimes$
Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure S-3 "Ge Geologist review.	neralized Liq	uefaction," C	Chief Engin	eering
Findings of Fact:				
The project site is shown as having a low liquefaction investigations or other studies may be required during the and construction of the implementing projects shall in conditions of approval from the County Geologist. Californertaining to commercial development will mitigate the po CBC requirements are applicable to all commercial development CEQA implementation purposes. As a result, there will be	e review of in corporate an ornia Building tential impact pment, they a	nplementing by mitigation g Code (CB to less that are not cons	projects. [ measures (C) require n significan	Design s and ments at. As
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
Ground-shaking Zone     a) Be subject to strong seismic ground shaking?				$\boxtimes$
Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure S-4 "Earth Figure S-21 (showing General Ground Shaking Risk), Chief	quake-Induce Engineering	ed Slope Inst Geologist re	ability Map view.	," and
Findings of Fact:				
The project site is located within an area that has been having a "very high" ground shaking risk. Subsequent implereviewed for potential ground shaking impacts and will also Building Code (CBC) requirements pertaining to commerce potential adverse impacts along with any other applicable result, there will be no impacts.	ementing developments	elopment ap to comply w ent in order	plications with the Cali	vill be fornia e anv
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				

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Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
14. Landslide Risk <ul> <li>a) Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, collapse, or rockfall hazards?</li> </ul>				
Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure S-5 "Re- Engineering Geologist review.	gions Unde	erlain by Ste	ep Slope,"	Chief
<u>Findings of Fact:</u> The proposal is not located on a geologic become unstable as a result of the proposal, and potentially spreading, collapse, or rockfall hazard. As a result, there will	result in o	n- or off-site	ble, or that landslide,	would lateral
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No mitigation is required				
15. Ground Subsidence  a) Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in ground subsidence?				
Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure S-7 "Docu Engineering Geologist review.	umented Su	ubsidence A	reas Map,"	Chief
Findings of Fact: The project site is located in an area suscenear any documented areas of subsidence. Subsequent devicement with the California Building Code's (CBC) requirement in order to mitigate any potential adverse impacts along with local policies. As a result, there will be no impacts	elopment a ts pertainin	pplications v g to commer	vill be requi	ired to
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
16. Other Geologic Hazards  a) Be subject to geologic hazards, such as seiche, mudflow, or volcanic hazard?				
Source: On-site Inspection, Project Application Materials				
<u>Findings of Fact</u> : There are no active volcanoes in Southern other geologic hazards, such as seiche, mudflow or volcani impacts.	California. c hazards.	The site is r As a result,	not subject there will	to any be no

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Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
17. Slopes  a) Change topography or ground surface relief features?				$\boxtimes$
b) Create cut or fill slopes greater than 2:1 or higher than 10 feet?				
c) Result in grading that affects or negates subsurface sewage disposal systems?				
Source: Riv. Co. 800-Scale Slope Maps, Project Application	Materials			
Findings of Fact:				
a) The proposal does not include any ground disturbing development applications that propose grading and any of reviewed by the Riverside County Geologist, Riverside Riverside County Building and Safety-Grading Division for county and local policies and codes. As a result, there will be no impact b) GPA No. 945 does not include any grading; therefore, no sefect are being proposed. Subsequent implementing developing any other ground disturbing activity shall be reviewed by the County Planning Department and the Riverside County Bucompliance with applicable Federal, State and local policies impacts.	ther ground County Platempliance wants. Hopes greated applicate Riverside uilding and and codes.	I disturbing inning Deparith applicabler than 2:1 of ations propositions of County Geo Safety-Grad As a result,	activity shartment and le Federal, or higher the sing grading blogist, Rived ding Division there will l	all be d the State  an 10 g and erside on for be no
c) No grading is proposed as part of GPA No. 945 and therefor negates subsurface sewage disposal systems. Su applications proposing grading and any other ground disturbing County Geologist, Riverside County Planning E Building and Safety-Grading Division for compliance with applications.	bsequent rbing activition activition because the contract of t	implementing shall be and the R	g develop reviewed b liverside C	oment y the ounty
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
18. Soils  a) Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?				
b) Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Section 1802.3.2 of the California Building Code (2007), creating substantial risks to life or property?				$\boxtimes$
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c) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?				$\boxtimes$
Source: U.S.D.A. Soil Conservation Service Soil Surveys, P	roject Appli	cation Mater	ials, Staff R	Review
Findings of Fact:				
a) The proposal will not directly result in substantial soil er implementing development applications may have the potent and construction; however, such applications will be subject will further ensure the protection of public health, safety ar impacts.	tial to result to the dev	in soil erosidelopment rev	on during g view proces	rading
b) If the project site is determined to be located on expimplementing development projects, compliance with applicate be required including compliance with the California Building impacts.	able Federa	I. State and	local policie	es will
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
19. Erosion <ul> <li>a) Change deposition, siltation, or erosion that may modify the channel of a river or stream or the bed of a lake?</li> </ul>				$\boxtimes$
b) Result in any increase in water erosion either on or off site?				
Source: U.S.D.A. Soil Conservation Service Soil Surveys, St	taff Review			
Findings of Fact:				
a) The proposal will not change deposition, siltation, or erosic or stream or the bed of a lake. Subsequent implementing de and required to comply with applicable Federal, State and loc and to mitigate any potential adverse impacts. As a result, the	evelopment al policies in	applications n order to en	will be rev	iewed
b) The proposed amendment will not directly result in any ir site. Subsequent implementing development applications applicable Federal, State and local policies in order to mitigaresult, there will be no impacts.	will be re	viewed for	compliance	anv
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
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<ul><li>20. Wind Erosion and Blowsand from project either on or off site.</li><li>a) Be impacted by or result in an increase in wind erosion and blowsand, either on or off site?</li></ul>				
Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure S-8 "Wind E Article XV & Ord. No. 484	rosion Susc	ceptibility Ma	ap," Ord. No	o. 460,
Findings of Fact:				
a) As the proposed amendment is a land use and zoning cha impacted by or result in an increase in wind erosion and blo implementing development applications will be reviewed f blowsand impacts during the development review process. F with any applicable Federal, State and local policies in order potential adverse impacts.	owsand eith or potentia uture project	er on or off I adverse w cts will be re	site. Subse vind erosio equired to o	equent n and comply
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS Would the project				
<ul> <li>21. Greenhouse Gas Emissions</li> <li>a) Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly</li> <li>or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the</li> </ul>				
environment?  b) Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?				
Source: Riverside County General Plan				
Findings of Fact:				
a-b) This is a programmatic level CEQA analysis. At this is opportunity for physical disturbance of the site, as there is no project will result in an amendment to the site's General Plat Zone, which could eventually lead to development on the propland use application for subdividing, grading, or construction Environmental Analysis shall be prepared, to assess the poimplementing project on this site will be required to comply reduction requirements as well as Riverside County's Climpotential mitigation measures resulting from GHG impacts a phase of the project. As a result, impacts associated with significant.	n foundation foundation for the site otential impossible action are implementation.	ed development componer ld a develop be submitte acts. Additionia's AB-32 Plan. Manyented during	nent project nt and char ment propo ed, a subse onally, any greenhous of the ide the constr	This nge of osal or equent future se gas ntified uction

Mitigation: No mitigation is required

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Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS Would the pro	ect			
22. Hazards and Hazardous Materials <ul> <li>a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?</li> </ul>				$\boxtimes$
b) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?				$\boxtimes$
c) Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or an emergency evacuation plan?				
d) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?				$\boxtimes$
e) Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?				$\boxtimes$

Source: Project Application Materials

#### Findings of Fact:

a-b, d-e) The project is not anticipated to utilize, store, or transport hazardous materials. The proposed activities are not anticipated to create significant hazards to the general public or the environment due to use of hazardous materials. The project will result in higher development intensity of the site than was proposed in the General Plan in 2003. The increase in density may result in an overburden of streets previously identified as evacuation routes for other projects. However, the Transportation Department will require any future development proposals on the site, to add mitigation to those projects to assure the streets will accommodate adequate emergency provisions.

This is a programmatic level CEQA analysis. This project will result in amending the site's General Plan Foundation Component, Land Use Designation, and Zoning Classification, which could eventually lead to development on the property. Should a development proposal or land use application for subdividing, grading, or construction of the site be submitted, a subsequent Environmental Analysis shall be prepared, to assess the potential impacts. As a result, there will be no impacts.

c) The project will result in higher development intensity of the site than was proposed in the General Plan in 2003. The increase in density may result in an overburden of streets previously identified as evacuation routes for other projects. However, the Transportation Department will require any future development proposals on the site, to add mitigation to those projects to assure the streets will accommodate adequate emergency provisions. As a result, impacts associated with this project are considered less than significant.

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
Mitigation: No mitigation is required  Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
23. Airports  a) Result in an inconsistency with an Airport Master Plan?				
b) Require review by the Airport Land Use Commission?			$\boxtimes$	
c) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				
d) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, or heliport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?			$\boxtimes$	

Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure S-19 "Airport Locations," GIS database

## Findings of Fact:

- a-b) The project site is located within "Zone E" of the "French Valley Airport Plan." More specifically, the project site is located approximately 9,000 feet easterly of Runway 18-36 of the airport. Per ALUC, land use intensity is not limited within "Zone E." Subsequent implementing development applications may require review by the Airport Land Use Commission in order to ensure consistency with the plan and its policies and to ensure that future uses will not propose any prohibited or discouraged uses in "Zone E" that may present hazards to flight.
- c) The proposal will not directly result in a safety hazard for people residing or working on the project site as the proposal does not include the development of any commercial or residential uses. Subsequent implementing development applications will be reviewed and required to comply with mitigation and monitoring measures, if necessary, to prevent hazards for people residing or working in the subject area.
- d) The project site is not within the vicinity of a private airstrip, or heliport and does not directly result in safety hazards for people residing or working in the subject area. Development of the implementing projects will be reviewed in order to ensure that there will be no safety hazards for people residing or working in the subject area.

This is a programmatic level CEQA analysis. This project will result in amending the site's General Plan Foundation Component, Land Use Designation, and Zoning Classification, which could eventually lead to development on the property. Should a development proposal or land use application for subdividing, grading, or construction of the site be submitted, a subsequent Environmental Analysis shall be prepared, to assess the potential impacts. As a result, impacts associated with this project are considered less than significant.

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Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
24. Hazardous Fire Area  a) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?				
Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure S-11 "Wildfire	Susceptib	ility," GIS da	itabase	
Findings of Fact:		•		
Although the project site is located in a high fire area, this prestructures to the site in question, it is not anticipated that structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are development applications will be reviewed to ensure that the general public is not at risk from fire.	the propo wildland fir intermixed health, sat	sal would e es, including with wildlar fety and pub	expose peop g where wild nds. Subse plic welfare	ple or dlands equent of the
This is a programmatic level CEQA analysis. This project we Plan Foundation Component, Land Use Designation, ar eventually lead to development on the property. Should application for subdividing, grading, or construction of the Environmental Analysis shall be prepared, to assess the passociated with this project are considered less than significant	nd Zoning a develop the site be potential im	Classification  ment proport  submitted	on, which sal or land	could d use
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY Would the project				
25. Water Quality Impacts <ul> <li>a) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner that would result in substantial</li> </ul>				
erosion or siltation on- or off-site?  b) Violate any water quality standards or waste				
c) Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering				
of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?				
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	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
d) Create or contribute runoff water that would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?			$\boxtimes$	
e) Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area, as mapped on a Federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?				
f) Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?			$\boxtimes$	
g) Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?			$\boxtimes$	
h) Include new or retrofitted stormwater Treatment Control Best Management Practices (BMPs) (e.g. water quality treatment basins, constructed treatment wetlands), the operation of which could result in significant environmental effects (e.g. increased vectors or odors)?			×	

Source: Riverside County Flood Control District Flood Hazard Report/Condition.

### Findings of Fact:

- a) The proposal will not substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner that would result in substantial erosion or siltation on-or off site as the proposal is for a land use change only. No implementing project has been submitted at this time. Subsequent implementing development projects shall be reviewed for potential drainage alterations. As a result, impacts associated with this project are considered less than significant.
- b) The proposal will not violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements as the proposal is for a land use change only. Subsequent implementing development applications will be subject to provide BMP improvement plans along with any necessary documentation to Riverside County Flood Control District. Subsequent development projects will also be required to comply with NPDES. As a result, impacts associated with this project are considered less than significant.
- c) The proposal will not directly substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level. Subsequent implementing development applications shall be reviewed for potential adverse groundwater impacts during the development review process. As a result, impacts associated with this project are considered less than significant.
- d) The proposal will not directly create or contribute runoff water that would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff. Subsequent implementing development applications shall be reviewed for potential adverse storm water impacts during the development review process. As a result, impacts associated with this project are considered less than significant.
- e) The northwest corner of the project site is located within an area of flooding sensitivity, however the remainder of the site does not fall within this area and no housing is proposed. Because GPA No. 945 does not propose to add people or structures to the site in question, the proposal will not place

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housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation maps applications shall be reviewed for potential adverse impacts within a 100-year flood hazard area during the developme associated with this project are considered less than signification.	Subsequer associated vent review p	nt implemer	nting develo	pment
f) No structures are being proposed as part of GPA No. 94 within a 100-year flood hazard area which would impede or development applications will be reviewed for the placem sensitivity.	redirect flow	s Subsequ	ent implem	enting
g) The proposal would not otherwise degrade water quality, application will be reviewed according to CEQA guidelines i impacts to water quality. As a result, impacts associated water significant.	n order to i	dentify any	potential a	dverse
h) The proposal does not include new or retrofitted stormwate environmental effects. As a result, impacts associated with significant.	er BMP's wh h this proje	nich could re ct are cons	esult in sigr sidered les	nificant s than
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
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26. Floodplains				
Degree of Suitability in 100-Year Floodplains. As indic Suitability has been checked.	cated below	, the appro	opriate Deg	ree of
NA - Not Applicable U - Generally Unsuitable	]		R - Restric	ted 🗌
a) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner that would result in flooding on or off site?				
result in flooding on- or off-site?  b) Changes in absorption rates or the rate and amount of surface runoff?				
c) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam (Dam Inundation Area)?				4)
d) Changes in the amount of surface water in any			$\boxtimes$	
water body?		_	<u> </u>	

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	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) The proposal will not substantially alter the existing drain the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner siltation on-or off site as the proposal is for a land use chabeen submitted at this time. Subsequent implementing depotential drainage alterations. As a result, impacts association than significant.	that would range only.	esult in sub No impleme rojects sha	stantial ero enting proje Il he reviev	sion or ect has
b) The proposal would not cause changes in absorption runoff. Subsequent implementing development projects shabsorption rates or the rate and amount of surface runoff. project are considered less than significant.	all be review	wed for pot	ential char	nges in
c) The northwest corner of the project site is not located with not expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, in flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam (Dam In propose any structures or uses at this time. Subsequent devorder to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the general with this project are considered less than significant.	njury or deat lundation Ar relopment ar	h involving t ea) as the p polications v	flooding, inc proposal do vill be revie	cluding bes not wed in
d) The proposal will not cause any change in the amou Subsequent implementing development projects shall be amount of surface water in any water body. As a result, considered less than significant.	reviewed f	or potential	changes	in the
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
LAND USE/PLANNING Would the project				
27. Land Use				
a) Result in a substantial alteration of the present or planned land use of an area?				
b) Affect land use within a city sphere of influence and/or within adjacent city or county boundaries?				
Source: Riverside County General Plan, GIS database, Proj	ect Applicati	on Materials	S	
Findings of Fact:				
a) The General Plan Amendment falls into the Foundation proposes to change 18.99 Gross Acres of land that is current (RUR:RR) to Community Development: Commercial Retail	ly designate	d as Rural:	Rural Resid	dential

a) The General Plan Amendment falls into the Foundation Component Amendment category as it proposes to change 18.99 Gross Acres of land that is currently designated as Rural: Rural Residential (RUR:RR) to Community Development: Commercial Retail (CD:CR) (0.20 – 0.35 Floor Area Ratio) land use designation. The proposed site is located within the French Valley community, a community that has been characterized by and is committed to more urban uses through the adoption of a number of Specific Plans in the area. Along with the cities of Murrieta and Temecula, the Southwest Area Plan has focused its urban development in French Valley. As the amendment and change of zone is seeking a change to commercial designations, the proposal would be consistent with the planned land use vision for the area. The Community Development: Commercial Retail designation

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can also be found directly west of the subject site. As a resu considered less than significant.	lt, impacts a	associated wi	th this proj	ect are
b) The project site is located within the designated City of City of Temecula was provided an opportunity to consult with regarding the proposed General Plan Amendment and Creview resulted in no comments or concerns regarding the provided the proposed of	the County change of Z	, as they rec Zone applica	eived informations. The	mation
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
28. Planning a) Be consistent with the site's existing or proposed zoning?				
b) Be compatible with existing surrounding zoning?				$\boxtimes$
c) Be compatible with existing and planned surrounding land uses?				$\boxtimes$
d) Be consistent with the land use designations and policies of the General Plan (including those of any applicable Specific Plan)?				$\boxtimes$
e) Disrupt or divide the physical arrangement of an established community (including a low-income or minority community)?				$\boxtimes$
Source: Riverside County General Plan Land Use Element,	Staff review	v, GIS databa	ase	
Findings of Fact:				
a) The project site has a current zoning designation of Lig which is inconsistent with the proposed land use designation application, the proposed zoning change from Light Ag Commercial will bring the proposed General Plan designation into consistency. There will be no impacts.	n of Commriculture, 5	nercial Retail acre minin	. As part of	of this eneral
b) Aside from the existing Light Agriculture zone to the east proposal is consistent with the more intense surrounding zo (SP) zone to the north and General Commercial (C-1/CP) to the	ning design	nations with t	the Specific	dment Plan
c) The project site is surrounded by single-family residences residences along with vacant land to the south, east and we provides an opportunity for services that will support the exarea. Subsequent implementing development applications we use compatibility prior to future project approval. There will be	st of the sit sisting resident vill be revie	e. The propo ential to be wed in orde	osed amend developed	dment in the
d) The amendment is proposing a Land Use Designation o Floor Area Ratio). Existing Community Development Foundation	f Commerci ation design	ial Retail (CI nations can b	D:CR) (0.20 be found no	0-0.35 orth of
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the subject site, directly across Auld Road and directly wes Retail and Specific Plan. Subsequent implementing devel consistency with the proposed land use designation and any General Plan. There will be no impacts	opment appl	ications will	he review	ed for
e) The proposal will not disrupt or divide the physical arrang proposed project is four contiguous parcels transitioning consistent with land use to the east. No established commun No. 945. There will be no impacts	into comme	ercially zone	d land wh	nich is
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
MINERAL RESOURCES Would the project				
29. Mineral Resources	П			———
a) Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region or the residents of the State?	ш	Ш		
b) Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important				
mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?				$\boxtimes$
c) Be an incompatible land use located adjacent to a State classified or designated area or existing surface mine?				
d) Expose people or property to hazards from proposed, existing or abandoned quarries or mines?				
Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure OS-5 "Mine Geologist review.	eral Resourc	es Area," C	hief Engine	eering
Findings of Fact:				
a) The project site is located in an area where available gedeposits are likely to exist; however, the significance of the County Geologist's review, it was determined that the site is contained a significant resource). There will be no impacts	he deposit i	s undetermi	ned. Upo	n the
b) The project site is not located within a locally important mon a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan.	nineral resou There will be	rce recovery no impacts	site desig	nated
c) The project site is not located adjacent to a State classifice mine and therefore will not be incompatible. There will be no	ed or designa impacts	ated area or	existing su	urface
d) There are no proposed or known abandoned quarries or no fithis proposed amendment will not expose people or proper abandoned quarries or mines. There will be no impacts	nines on the erty to hazard	project site. Is from prop	Implemen osed, exist	tation ing or
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Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
NOISE Would the project result in				
Definitions for Noise Acceptability Ratings				
Where indicated below, the appropriate Noise Acceptability R NA - Not Applicable C - Generally Unacceptable D - Land Use Discouraged		been check B - Conditi		eptable
30. Airport Noise				
a) For a project located within an airport land use plan	Ш			$\boxtimes$
or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two				
miles of a public airport or public use airport would the				
project expose people residing or working in the project				
area to excessive noise levels?  NA □ A □ B □ C □ D □				
b) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip,				
would the project expose people residing or working in the				$\boxtimes$
project area to excessive noise levels?				
NA A B C D				
Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure S-19 "Airpor Facilities Map, Airport Land Use Commission Staff Review Findings of Fact:	t Locations	," County of	Riverside A	Airport
a) The project site lies outside of the area that would be subjected or greater under ultimate airport development conductor people residing or working in the subject sites area to excession	itions. The	proposal w	ould not e	xpose
b) The project site is not located within the vicinity of a privaresult of the proposed project. There will be no impacts	te airstrip. I	No impacts v	would occu	r as a
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
31. Railroad Noise NA A B C D				$\boxtimes$
Source: Riverside County General Plan Figure C-1 "Circulati	on Plan", G	IS database	, Staff Revi	ew
Findings of Fact: The project site is not located adjacent to one impacts are anticipated as a result of the proposed project.		active railroa	d line; ther	efore,
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
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	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
Monitoring: No monitoring is required		-		
32. Highway Noise NA ☑ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐				$\boxtimes$
Source: Staff Review, Project Application Materials				
Findings of Fact: The project site is not located adjacer therefore, no impacts are anticipated as a result of the propo	nt to or with sed project.	nin the vicini	ty of a hig	jhway,
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
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<b>33. Other Noise</b> NA ☑ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐				$\boxtimes$
Findings of Fact: As the proposal is for a land use and zor are expected in or immediately surrounding the subject site. Health Agency's review, the proposal shall comply with projected to any portion of any surrounding property condwelling, hospital, school, library or nursing home," must not levels 45 Db(a)- 10 minute noise equivalent ("leq"), between (nighttime standard) and 65 dB(A)- 10 minute leq, between standard). Subsequent implementing development applicate Riverside County office of Industrial Hygiene's possible Riverside County Ordinance No. 847, Regulating Noise in Rivers	e. Per the I the followir ntaining a " ot exceed the en the hour en 7:00 a.i ions will be noise redu	Riverside Cong: Facility-residence Facility-residence Facility Facility Residence Facilit	eunty Comrelated nois ceiver, hab worst-case i.m. to 7:00 0 p.m. (da comply wi ures as w	nunity se, as bitable noise p.m. aytime th the ell as
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
34. Noise Effects on or by the Project  a) A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				
b) A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				$\boxtimes$
c) Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?				
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d) Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive ground-borne vibration or ground-borne noise levels?				
Source: Riverside County General Plan, Table N-1 ("Land Exposure"); Project Application Materials, Staff Review	l Use Comp	atibility for (	Community	Noise
Findings of Fact:				
a) GPA No. 945 will not directly result in a substantial perm levels as no implementing project is associated with this ame determined at this time. Subsequent implementing development of the Riverside County office of Industrial Hygiene well as Riverside County Ordinance No. 847, Regulating No. impacts.	ndment and opment app e's possible	l exact noise dications will noise reduct	levels can be requi	not be red to
b) GPA No. 945 will not directly result in a substantial tempor levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the associated with this amendment and temporary or period determined at this time. Subsequent development applicating Riverside County Office of Industrial Hygiene's possible Riverside County Ordinance No. 847, Regulating Noise in Riverside County Nois	e proposal a ic increase ons will be noise redu	as no implent s in noise la required to action measi	nenting pro evels canr comply wi ures as w	iject is not be th the
c) GPA No. 945 is proposing a General Plan land use change directly expose persons or generation of noise levels in a General Plan, zoning ordinance or Ordinance No. 847 or Subsequent implementing development applications will be County office of Industrial Hygiene's possible noise reduction Ordinance No. 847, Regulating Noise in Riverside County. The	excess of sapplicable so required to measures	standards es standards of o comply wi as well as F	stablished other age th the Rive	in the ncies. erside
d) The proposal will not expose persons to excessive groun levels. There will be no impacts.	d-borne vib	ration or gro	und-borne	noise
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
POPULATION AND HOUSING Would the project				
35. Housing				
a) Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				
b) Create a demand for additional housing, particularly housing affordable to households earning 80% or less of the County's median income?				
c) Displace substantial numbers of people, neces- sitating the construction of replacement housing else- where?				
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	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
d) Aff. 1 . O . 1 . D . 1				
d) Affect a County Redevelopment Project Area?				$\boxtimes$
e) Cumulatively exceed official regional or local population projections?				$\boxtimes$
f) Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?				
Source: Project Application Materials, GIS database, RivElement, Staff Review	verside Co	unty Genera	al Plan Ho	ousing
Findings of Fact:				
<ul> <li>a) The project site is currently vacant land. No dwelling u impacts.</li> </ul>	nits will be	displaced.	There will	be no
b) The proposal will not impact population and housing in Rive	erside Cour	ity. There wi	ll be no imp	acts.
c) The proposal will not displace substantial numbers of peop of replacement housing elsewhere. There will be no impacts.	le thereby r	necessitating	the constr	uction
d-f) The proposal will not affect a Riverside County Redevelor regional or local population projections, or induce substantial indirectly. There will be no impacts.	pment Area population	n, cumulative growth in a	ely exceed on area direc	official ctly or
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
PUBLIC SERVICES Would the project result in substantial at the provision of new or physically altered government facial altered governmental facilities, the construction of which impacts in order to maintain account his project.	lities or the could cau	need for need se significat	ew or phy	sically nental
impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, objectives for any of the public services:	response	times or oti	ner perforr	nance
36. Fire Services			$\boxtimes$	
Source: Riverside County General Plan Safety Element			<del></del>	
Findings of Fact: The project area is serviced by the Ri impacts associated with the provision of new or altered fire fa of standard fees to the County of Riverside. Approval of associated with the provision of new or physically altered go new facilities required by the cumulative effects of impleme would have to meet all applicable environmental standards. It to comply with County Ordinance No. 659 in order to mitigate a result, impacts associated with this project are considered less	acilities will GPA No. 9 vernment fa nting project mplementing the potentia	be mitigated 45 will not racilities. Anotes and surrog projects will effects to	by the pay result in im y constructiounding pro- ill be condit	ment pacts ion of ojects ioned

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	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
37. Sheriff Services			$\boxtimes$	
Source: Riverside County General Plan				
Findings of Fact: The proposed area is serviced by the Riproposal will not have an incremental effect on the level of the project area. Approval of GPA No. 945 will not result in new or physically altered government facilities. Any constitutive effects of future GPA No. 945 implementing project o meet all applicable environmental standards. Future impromply with County Ordinance No. 659 in order to mitigate result, impacts associated with this project are considered less	sheriff service impacts assured of nects and sure plementing paths the potential	ces provided sociated with ew facilities rounding pro- rojects will lessets to fi	d in the vici on the provise required to bjects would be condition	nity of sion of by the I have ned to
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
38. Schools			×	
Source: GIS database, Staff Review				
Findings of Fact: The project site located within the box District. Approval of GPA No. 945 will not result in impacts physically altered government facilities. Any construction of effects of future GPA No. 945 implementing projects and sur applicable environmental standards. Future implementing p School Mitigation Impact fees in order to mitigate the potenti impacts associated with this project are considered less than	s associated new facilitie rounding pro rojects will b al effects to	with the prosser required to be	ovision of not the cumulative to me have to me	ew or ulative eet all v with
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
39. Libraries			$\boxtimes$	
Source: Riverside County General Plan	-		D.	
Findings of Fact: Library services for the existing resident Riverside County Public Library System for which developm to Ordinance No. 659 such fees may be used at the County facilities. Approval of GPA No. 945 will not result in impacts physically altered government facilities. Any construction of effects of future GPA No. 945 implementing projects and sur	ent mitigatio y's discretion associated new facilitie	n fees are rong to provide with the prosecution of the provide strength of the provided by the	equired pur additional l ovision of n by the cumu	suant ibrary ew or ilative

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applicable environmental standards. Future implementing proceed to County Ordinance No. 659 in order to mitigate the potential impacts associated with this project are considered less than	al effects to	be conditional library servi	ed to comp ces. As a	ly with result,
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
40. Health Services			$\boxtimes$	
Source: Riverside County General Plan, Staff Review  Findings of Fact: Approval of GPA No. 945 will not result in new or physically altered government facilities. Subsequent have the potential to introduce people, property and struct thereby, increasing the use of existing medical and health contribute incrementally to demand for new or expanded so new facilities required by the cumulative impacts of implement would have to meet all applicable environmental standards. project are considered less than significant  Mitigation: No mitigation is required  Monitoring: No monitoring is required  RECREATION  41. Parks and Recreation  a) Would the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational	t implementi rures into pr n care servi ervices and renting proie	ing developreviously und ces and fact facilities. And ects and surre	ment applic developed cilities as way oy construct rounding pr	ations areas; vell as tion of rojects
acilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?				
b) Would the project include the use of existing neighborhood or regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?				$\boxtimes$
c) Is the project located within a Community Service Area (CSA) or recreation and park district with a Community Parks and Recreation Plan (Quimby fees)?				$\boxtimes$
Source: GIS database, Ord. No. 460, Section 10.35 (Reg Recreation Fees and Dedications), Ord. No. 659 (Establish Open Space Department Review	ulating the I ing Develop	Division of L ment Impac	and – Par t Fees), Pa	k and irks &
Findings of Fact:				
a) Approval of GPA No. 945 will not result in impacts a physically altered government facilities. Subsequent implement facilities are impacts on park and recreational facilities. There	nenting deve	elopment ap	vision of no plications v	ew or vill be

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
b) The proposed land use and zoning change does not include regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substate would occur or be accelerated. Subsequent implementing defor impacts on park and recreational facilities. There will be not compared within a CSA and is not contained.	antial physic evelopment o impacts.	cal deteriora applications	ation of the s will be rev	facility viewed
c) The project site is not located within a CSA and is not sapproval, subsequent implementing development application related to the subject site's status of being within a CSA of future project approval. There will be no impacts.	ons will be	reviewed	for any ch	anges
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
42. Recreational Trails				$\boxtimes$
Source: Open Space and Conservation Map for Western Confindings of Fact: The project site is not located adjacent to General Plan Recreational Trails. Therefore, the proposal will impacts.  Mitigation: No mitigation is required  Monitoring: No monitoring is required  TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC Would the project  43. Circulation	or within the	he vicinity o	of any desig	nated
a) Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing a measure of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation, including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit?			N	
b) Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including, but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?				
c) Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?				$\boxtimes$
d) Alter waterborne, rail or air traffic?				$\boxtimes$
e) Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or				
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incompatible uses (e.g. farm equipment)?				
f) Cause an effect upon, or a need for new or altered maintenance of roads?			$\boxtimes$	
g) Cause an effect upon circulation during the project's construction?			$\boxtimes$	
h) Result in inadequate emergency access or access to nearby uses?				
i) Conflict with adopted policies, plans or programs regarding public transit, bikeways or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise substantially decrease the performance or safety of such facilities?				

Source: Riverside County General Plan, Riverside County Transportation Department Review

## Findings of Fact:

a) The project site is located within the Highway 79 Policy Area of the Riverside County General Plan. The Highway 79 Policy states "...ensure that overall within the Highway 79 Policy Area, development projects produce traffic generation at a level that is 9% less than the trips projected from the General Plan traffic model residential land use designations." However, this Policy is applicable to residential land use only, not commercial. As a result, this policy does not apply to this project. Furthermore, details of a future implementing project will be reviewed in conjunction with all applicable circulation plans. This General Plan Land Use Amendment and Change of Zone by themselves are consistent with the existing circulation plans for the area. As a result, the impacts are less than significant.

This Policy intends to limit the existing build-out of the current Land Use Designation, due to potential infrastructure limitations. The proposed increase to the project site's density is in conflict with the Policy. Mitigation, which shall be adhered to during time of any implementing project, is proposed below. This mitigation will assure that the goals of the Policy are met at the implementation stage of development. The project is consistent with all other plans. With the proposed mitigation, the impacts are less than significant.

- b) The future implementing project will address any congestion management programs through standard fees and mitigation. As previously discussed, this is a programmatic level CEQA analysis. At this stage, the project does not provide the opportunity for physical disturbance of the site, as there is no associated development project. This project will result in amending the site's General Plan Foundation Component, which could eventually lead to development on the property. Should a development proposal or land use application for subdividing, grading, or construction of the site be submitted, a subsequent Environmental Analysis shall be prepared, to assess the potential impacts. The impacts are less than significant.
- c-d) No air traffic or water traffic will be altered due to the proposed project. There will be no impacts.
- e-i) There is no accompanying development associated with this proposed General Plan Amendment, therefore there are no design changes to the streets or roads that may increase hazards due to road design. The proposed change does not conflict with any adopted policies regarding public transit, bikeways, or pedestrian access, as the project site is currently vacant land. The surrounding circulation system will not change and therefore, will not impact any policies regarding transit or other alternative means of travel. Once a development proposal or land use application to subdivide, grade,

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or build on the property is submitted, a subsequent review potential impacts. As a result, the impacts are less than sign	ew and EA	shall be pre	epared ass	essing
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
44. Bike Trails				
Source: Riverside County General Plan				
Findings of Fact:				
GPA No. 945 proposes is for a land use and zoning change trails would occur as a result of this amendment. Subsequer will be reviewed and required to comply with any application. There will be no impacts.	nt implemen	ting develop	ment applic	ations
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
UTILITY AND SERVICE SYSTEMS Would the project				
a) Require or result in the construction of new water treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental effects?				$\boxtimes$
b) Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?				
Source: Department of Environmental Health Staff Review				
Findings of Fact:				
a-b) GPA No. 945 proposes a land use and zoning chang directly require or result in the construction of new wastew systems, or the expansion of existing facilities. The project Municipal Water District (EMWD), as such, subsequent dev to determine that the site has adequate capacity to serve the the provider's existing commitments. The Riverside County require any future projects to provide a "will serve" letter from necessary information to ensure compliance with applicablimpacts.	vater treatm site falls wit elopment a project's pr Department n EMWD for	ent facilities, hin the jurisc oplications w ojected dema of Environn of the site as	including diction of Earlould be recand in additional Heal well as any	septic astern quired tion to th will other

Mitigation: No mitigation is required

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Monitoring: No monitoring is required				
a) Require or result in the construction of new wastewater treatment facilities, including septic systems, or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental effects?				
b) Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider that serves or may service the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?				$\boxtimes$
Source: Department of Environmental Health, Staff Review				
Findings of Fact:				
directly require or result in the construction of new wastew systems, or the expansion of existing facilities, the construent environmental effects. The project site falls within the jurist implementing development applications will be required to capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition. The Riverside County Department of Environmental Health will serve letter from EMWD for the site as well as any compliance with applicable County ordinances. There will be a Mitigation.	uction of widiction of E determine to the proviil require an other nece	hich would of MWD, as so that the site vider's existing future progressary inform	cause sign uch, subse te has ade ng commitn iects to pro	ificant equent equate nents.
Mitigation: No mitigation is required				
Monitoring: No mitigation is required				
47. Solid Waste  a) Is the project served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?				
b) Does the project comply with Federal, State, and local statutes and regulations related to solid wastes including the CIWMP (County Integrated Waste Management Plan)?				
Source: Riverside County General Plan, Staff Review				
Findings of Fact:				
a-b) The amendment proposes a land use and zoning of development applications will be required to provide proof the sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's so Page 36 of 39	t the site w	ill be served disposal nee	by a landfi	ll with at the