

ITEM: 23.1 (ID # 27018) MEETING DATE: Tuesday, May 20, 2025

#### FROM : TLMA-PLANNING

**SUBJECT:** TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY/PLANNING: PAR230043 - Riverside Legacy IV-Mead Valley, LLC requests a hearing with the Board of Supervisors to confirm that the property as described below has a vested right to conduct surface mining activities without obtaining a Surface Mining Permit pursuant to the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act (1975) and Riverside County Ordinance No. 555 - Not a project under CEQA - District 1. [Applicant Fees 100%]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. <u>HOLD</u> public hearing and receive testimony to consider Riverside Legacy IV-Mead Valley, LLC's request for determination of a vested right to mine approximately 375 acres;

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ACTION:Policy

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#### MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Medina, seconded by Supervisor Gutierrez and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes:	Medina, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez
Nays:	None
Absent:	None
Date:	May 20, 2025
XC:	TLMA-Planning

Kimberly ctor Clerk ard By: Deputy

## **RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

- <u>CONFIRM</u> and <u>DETERMINE</u> that Riverside Legacy IV-Mead Valley, LLC has demonstrated its claim for a vested right to surface mine for aggregate on approximately 375 acres because Riverside Legacy IV-Mead Valley, LLC has shown by a preponderance of the evidence that its predecessors-in-interest manifested an objective intent to extend surface mining activities for aggregate material to the entire Proposed Vested Rights Area as of the 1949 vesting date; and,
- 3. **<u>DIRECT</u>** staff to prepare findings within 60 days consistent with the Board's determination identifying the specific property upon which the vested right is established, and the scope and nature of surface mining operations included within the established vested right.

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
NET COUNTY COST	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A \$ N	
SOURCE OF FUNDS: Ap	Budget Adjus	Budget Adjustment: No		
			For Fiscal Yea	ar: N/A

#### C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

# BACKGROUND:

Riverside Legacy IV-Mead Valley, LLC ("Riverside Legacy") owns an approximately 375-acre property in the County of Riverside ("County") currently known as the Mead Valley Quarry ("Quarry" or "Quarry Property"), which is the site of a historic mining operation. The Quarry Property is located in an unincorporated area west of the City of Perris. Quarry activities have occurred on portions of the Quarry Property periodically since the early 1940's. The vested rights confirmation for the Quarry Property includes eight (8) parcels as identified by the following Assessor Parcel Numbers (APNs):

- 317-080-033 (0.48 acre)
- 317-060-038 (3.02 acres)
- 317-070-001 (79.0 acres)
- 317-090-010 (10.0 acres)
- 317-090-011 (2.5 acres)
- 317-180-008 (188.4 acres)
- 317-180-009 (12.4 acres)
- 317-190-004 (79.2 acres)

# 375 AC. TOTAL

In June 2023, Riverside Legacy submitted a Vested Right Petition ("Petition") to the County under section 2776 of the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act (SMARA)<sup>1</sup> and Riverside County Ordinance No. 555. Riverside Legacy seeks the following determinations:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Pub. Res. Code § 2776, subd. (a)

- 1) That the County adopted its first permit requirement for surface mining on December 31, 1948 (Ordinance No. 348), which represents a "vesting date" of January 31, 1949, the effective date of the ordinance.
- 2) That, as of the vesting date, surface mining operations at the Quarry were occurring on portions of the 375 acres.
- 3) That, since the Quarry use was vested in 1949 on the Quarry Property described above, this vested right has not been abandoned. That the Quarry, and surface mining operations at the Quarry, are a vested use that may continue to produce sand, gravel, and rock.
- 4) That any continuation of surface mining operations at the Quarry Property should occur only with all necessary government approvals, including a Reclamation Plan and Financial Assurances.
- 5) That the material extraction quantities and mining operations plan shall be established with the Reclamation Plan and Financial Assurances submittal to the County of Riverside Planning Department.

To establish a vested right to conduct surface mining operations, Riverside Legacy must show that the operation was a legal nonconforming use on January 31, 1949,<sup>2</sup> in which case it shall not be required to secure a permit in accordance with Chapter 9 of SMARA so long as the vested right has not been abandoned. To establish a vested right to mine without a permit, Riverside Legacy must show that its operation was established as a legal nonconforming use when the County first required a permit in 1949 pursuant to Ordinance No. 348. Riverside Legacy is still required to submit a Reclamation Plan for approval by the County and a Financial Assurance. The reclamation plan and financial assurance are required to be approved prior to resuming any mining operations on the Quarry Property.<sup>3</sup> The amount of the financial assurance is based upon the cost of reclamation in accordance with the reclamation plan for any one year.<sup>4</sup> If Riverside Legacy is determined not have a vested right to conduct surface mining operations on the Quarry Property, mining activities must be conducted in accordance with current land use and mining ordinances and laws, which require a permit in addition to a reclamation plan and financial assurance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> SMARA provides that "[n]o person who has obtained a vested right to conduct surface mining operations prior to January 1, 1976, shall be required to secure a permit pursuant to this chapter . . . ." Pub. Res. Code, § 2776.

Riverside County first required a permit to mine on January 31, 1949. Riverside County Ordinance No. 348 (Jan. 31, 1949) at Art. XXIV, § 3.1. Therefore, to establish a vested right to mine without a permit, Riverside Legacy must show that its operation was established as a legal nonconforming use when the County first required a permit in 1949.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Ordinance No. 555, Section 17.C; see also Pub. Res. Code §§ 2770, 2776.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Pub. Res. Code §§ 2770, 2776.

Riverside Legacy must establish its vested right by a preponderance of the evidence (in other words, "more likely than not").<sup>5</sup> If the Board finds that there is no vested right or if it finds that there was a vested right but that it was abandoned, Riverside Legacy may file a writ with a court challenging the Board's decision. The court will exercise independent judgment in making factual determinations on the administrative record and ultimately make a legal conclusion as to the establishment of a vested right.<sup>6</sup>

County staff has reviewed the Petition, undertaken considerable research, and prepared a staff analysis with the following recommendations:

1) That the Board confirm and determine that, based on evidence of historical mining activities, Riverside Legacy IV-Mead Valley LLC has demonstrated its claim for a vested right to surface mine for aggregate on approximately 375 acres of the Quarry Property because Riverside Legacy has shown by a preponderance of the evidence that its predecessors-in-interest manifested an objective intent to extend surface mining activities for aggregate to the entire Proposed Vested Rights Area as of the 1949 vesting date, and that, based on the evidence of the 2009 USGS mineral resource zone reclassification of the property, Riverside Legacy's vested activity is aggregate mining, which may include excavation, crushing, washing, sorting, stockpiling, loading, transporting, and otherwise managing an aggregate surface mine and utilizing equipment to do so, as long as the equipment does not affect a prohibited intensification or expansion of the use.

These staff recommendations are based on the following facts:

- 1) The 375-acre Quarry Property that is the subject of this Petition came under single, integrated ownership by the Riverside Granite Company in 1940.
- Riverside Legacy asserts that quarry operations commenced on the Quarry Property in the early 1940s. Staff has confirmed that mining operations and processing activities are visible in aerial photographs from the late 1940s.
- 3) The County first required a permit for surface mining on January 31, 1949, under the County's Land Use Ordinance No. 348. Existing ongoing mining operations were vested as of that date, and permitted to continue after January 31, 1949, without obtaining a permit. Mining operations beginning on or after January 31, 1949, would need to obtain permits.
- 4) On the date of vesting, January 31, 1949, the Quarry Property was held under single ownership by the Riverside Granite Company, which had been periodically operating a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Ordinance No. 555, Section 17.B.2.; *Beck Development Co. v. Southern Pacific Transportation Co.* (1996) 44 Cal.App.4th 1160, 1205.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See Hansen Brothers Enterprises, Inc. v. Board of Supervisors (1996) 12 Cal.4th 533.

mining quarry on portions of the property and eventually installed a dedicated rail spur to move material from the quarry.

- 5) Staff has found no evidence to suggest that, at any time in the years following 1949, any of the current or prior owners of the Quarry Property ever indicated the intent to relinquish the established mining rights or taken any action that would in any way suggest that such important rights were being abandoned.
- 6) At no time in the years following the enactment of the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act (1975) or Ordinance No. 555 (1977) has a Reclamation Plan and Financial Assurance been submitted to the County or the California Department of Conservation for mining activities at the Quarry Property.

Based on the foregoing facts, County staff concurs that Riverside Legacy has met its burden of proof to show that it is more likely than not that its predecessors-in-interest established a vested right to mine the entirety of the Proposed Vested Rights Area. However, no mining or related activity can commence even upon the Board of Supervisors' agreement and finding that a vested right exists until a legally adequate Reclamation Plan and Financial Assurance have been submitted to, and approved by, the County of Riverside and the California Department of Conservation, Division of Mine Reclamation.

#### **Riverside Legacy's Vested Right Petition**

On June 2, 2023, Riverside Legacy submitted a Petition for recognition of a vested right under SMARA section 2776 and Ordinance No. 555. Riverside Legacy submitted additional information and figures on July 10, 2024.

The County reviewed Riverside Legacy's submitted materials and deemed Riverside Legacy's Petition complete on October 21, 2024. The County and Riverside Legacy have worked together to determine the most appropriate public hearing date for the Petitioner. Pursuant to that, a public hearing on the Petition had been scheduled for May 20, 2025.

- The record before the Board of Supervisors shall consist of the written materials received by the Assistant TLMA Director (or designee), relevant written comments on the request for determination and relevant testimony received at the hearing. Written comments and oral testimony other than that related to demonstrating or delimiting the existence, nature, and scope of the claimed vested rights shall not be considered.
- 2) The Board of Supervisors shall issue a written vested rights determination within 60 calendar days following the public hearing. The determination shall identify the specific property subject to the vested right, and the scope and nature of the vested rights.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Ordinance No. 555, Section 17.B.

If it is determined that a person has obtained a vested right, he or she shall submit a draft Reclamation Plan and a Financial Assurance to the Planning Department prior to conducting mining activities, as well as relevant review and processing fees.<sup>8</sup>

## The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

This vested rights determination is not a project for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). CEQA applies to discretionary activities, and this determination is not a discretionary project for the purposes of CEQA because the standards that govern the determination do not provide the County with the authority or discretion to condition, modify, or deny the application based on environmental concerns.

#### Notifications

In accordance with Ordinance No. 555, section 10, on April 21, 2025, the County mailed notice of the public hearing to owners of real property located within 1,200 feet of the exterior boundaries of the proposed vested right determination area as well as to other interested parties. The County also published the notice in the Press Enterprise newspaper. The County has also posted Petition materials on the County website, which can be accessed via the following link:

https://planning.rctlma.org/mead-valley-vesting-mine-determination-par230043

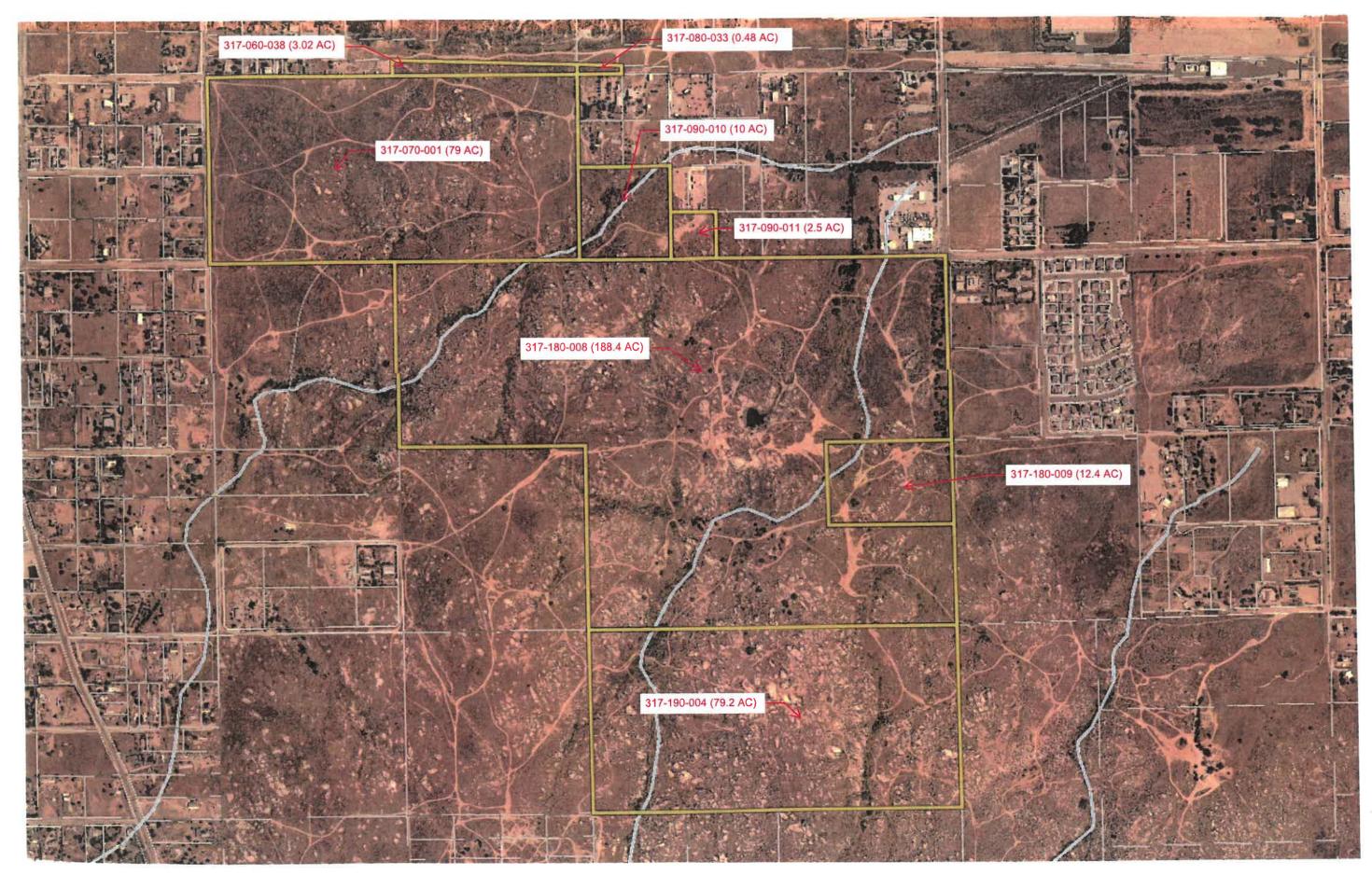
#### Attachments

- 1) Exhibit 1 Parcel Location Map
- 2) Exhibit 2 1942 USGS Topographic Map
- 3) Exhibit 3 1948 Historic Aerial
- 4) Exhibit 4 1953 Historic Aerial

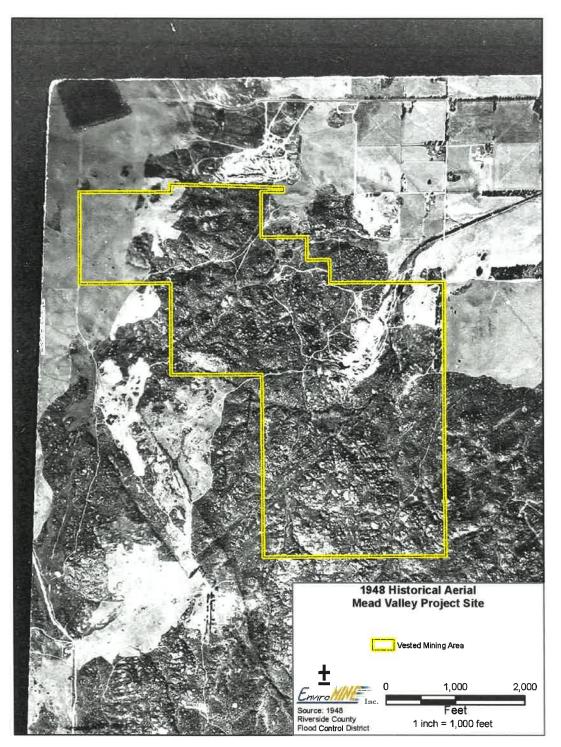
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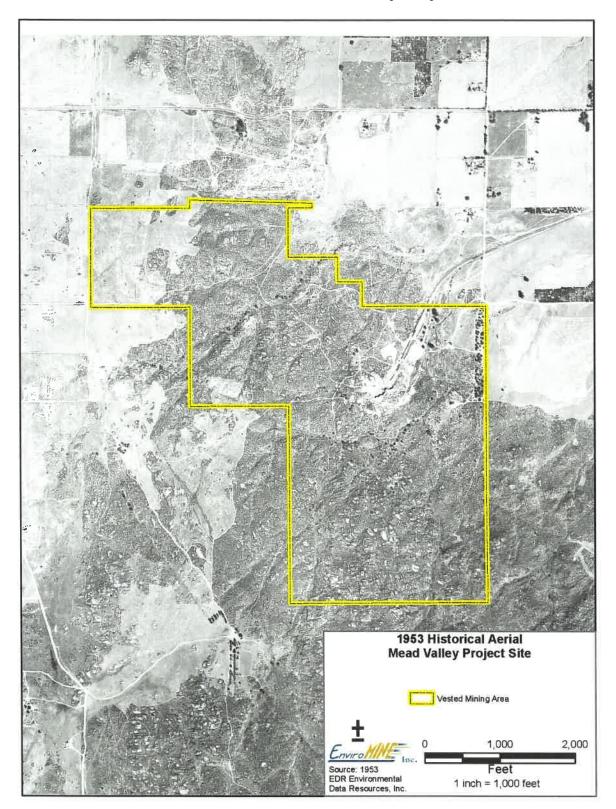
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Ordinance No. 555, Section 17.C; Pub. Res. Code §§ 2770, 2776.



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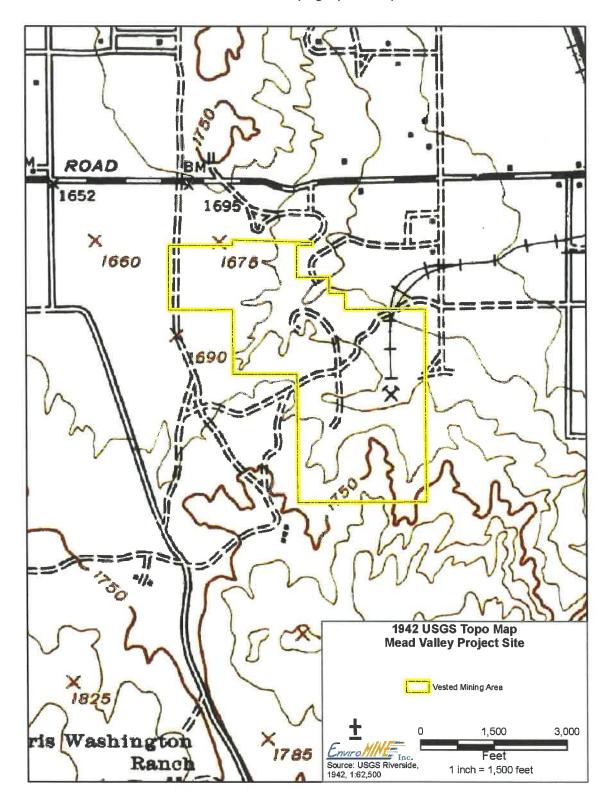


1948 Historical Aerial Mead Valley Project Site



1953 Historical Aerial Mead Valley Project Site

1942 USGS Topographic Map





# RIVERSIDE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

John Hildebrand Planning Director

DATE: 4/21/2025

TO: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

**FROM**: Planning Department – Riverside – **Darren Edgington, Project Planner 5-2459** (BOS Date 05-20-2025)

SUBJECT: MT#27018 - PROJECT # PAR230043 (Charge your time to these case numbers)

TRANSPORTATION & LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY/PLANNING: PUBLIC HEARING ON MEAD VALLEY VESTING MINE DETERMINATION (PAR230043) - Applicant: Mitchell Chadwick LLP c/o Caitlin Gandolfi - First Supervisorial District - North Perris Zoning Area - Mead Valley Area Plan -General Plan Designation: Rural Community: Very Low Density Residential (RC: VLDR) and Rural: Rural Residential (R: RR) - Location: North of Lexington Road, south of Cajalco Road, east of Seaton Avenue. and west of Day Street - approx. 376 acres - Zoning Classification: Rural Residential-1/2 Acre Minimum (R-R-1/2) and Residential Agricultural-2 Acre Minimum (R-A-2) - REQUEST: The Riverside County Board of Supervisors to consider Riverside Legacy IV-Mead Valley, LLC (Riverside Legacy) request for a determination of vested rights pursuant to Riverside County Ordinance No. 555 and Section 2776 of the California Surface Mining and Reclamation Act (SMARA). Riverside Legacy, 2330 Marinship Way, Suite 120, Sausalito, CA 94965. Riverside Legacy has applied for a vested rights determination on approximately 365 acres located about 0.80 mile west of the Interstate 215 and south of Cajalco Road in the First Supervisorial District. Riverside Legacy applied for the Board of Supervisors to determine whether Riverside Legacy has demonstrated its claim for a vested right to mine the 365 acres on eight (8) parcels. APNs: 317-080-033, 317-060-038, 317-070-001, 317-090-010, 317-090-011, 317-180-008, 317-180-009, 317-190-004. Applicant Fees 100% [District 1]

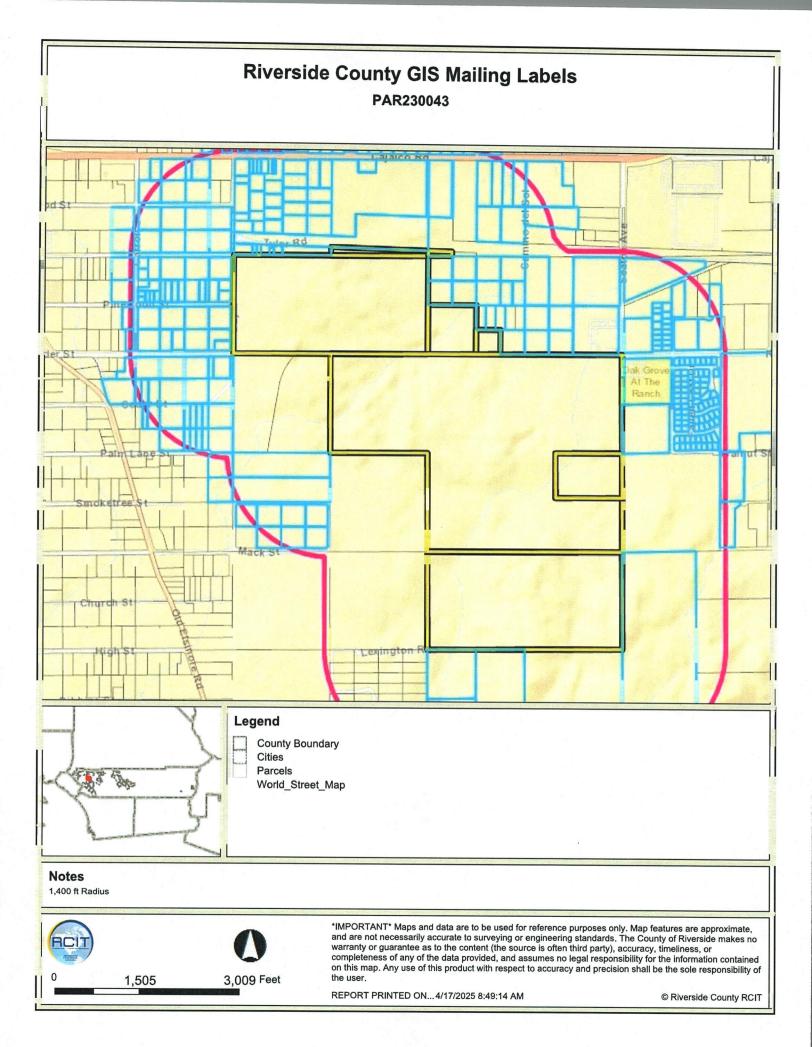
Planning Commission Date: N/A Commissioner Vote: N/A

The attached item(s) require the following action(s) by the Board of Supervisors:

Place on Administrative Action	$\boxtimes$	Set for Hearing (Legislative Action Required; CZ, GPA, SP, SPA)
⊠Labels provided If Set For Hearing ☐10 Day <mark>⊠ 20 Day </mark> 30 day	$\boxtimes$	Publish in Newspaper: (1st Dist) Press Enterprise
		CEQA Exempt 20 Day 30 day
	$\boxtimes$	Notify Property Owners (app/agencies/property owner labels provided)
Designets Newspaper used by Planning Dana	rtm on	t for Notice of Hearing

#### **Designate Newspaper used by Planning Department for Notice of Hearing:** (1st Dist) Press Enterprise

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317030036 MONICA SICAIROS LOMELI 22330 CAJALCO RD PERRIS CA 92570

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Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency 3390 University Avenue, Suite 200 Riverside, CA 92501

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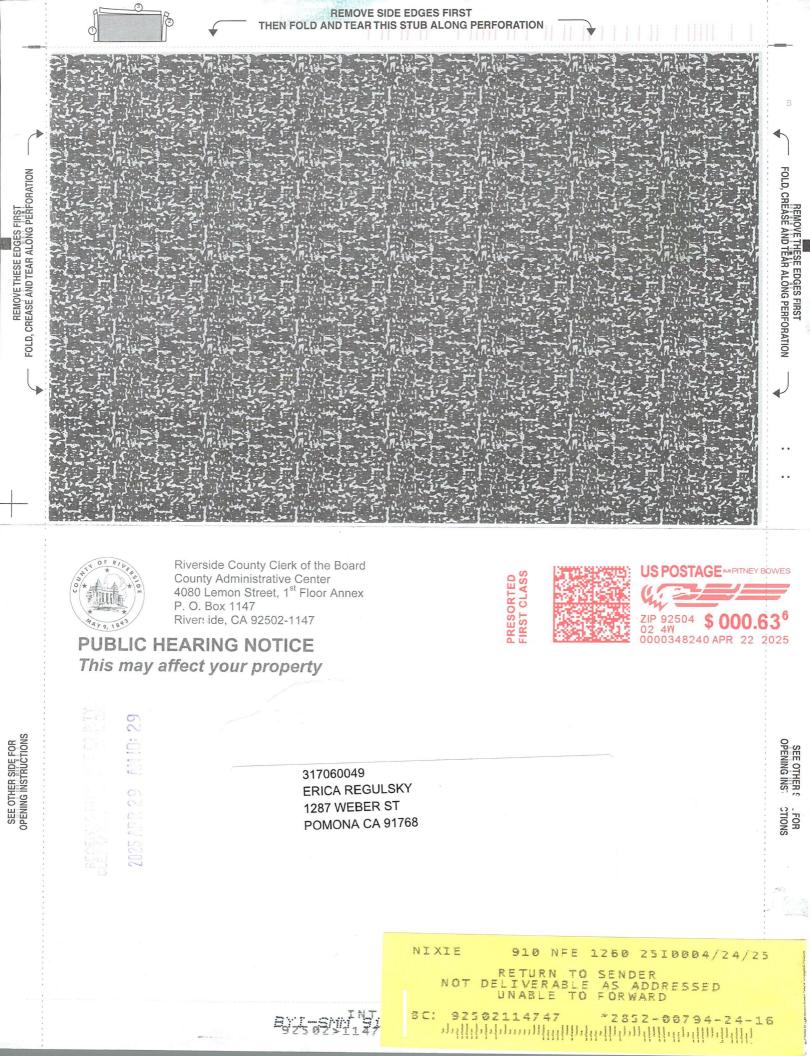
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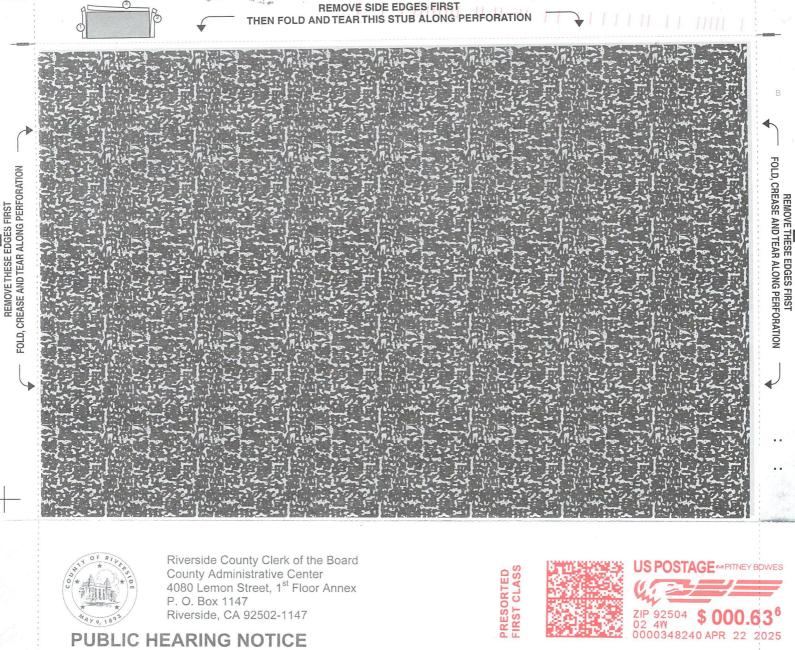
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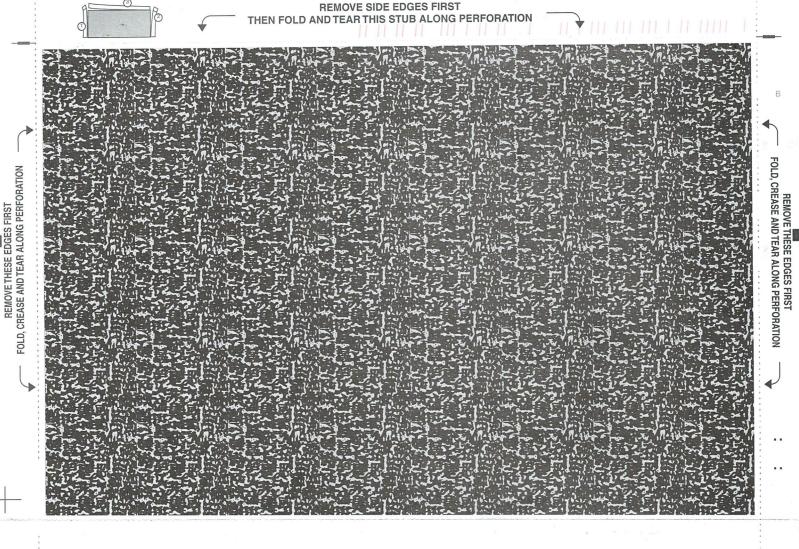
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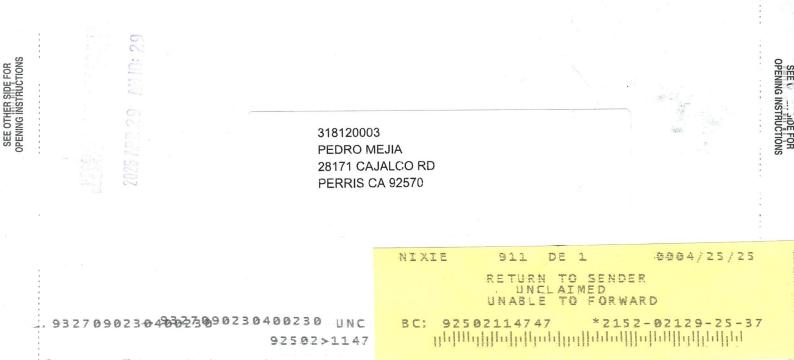
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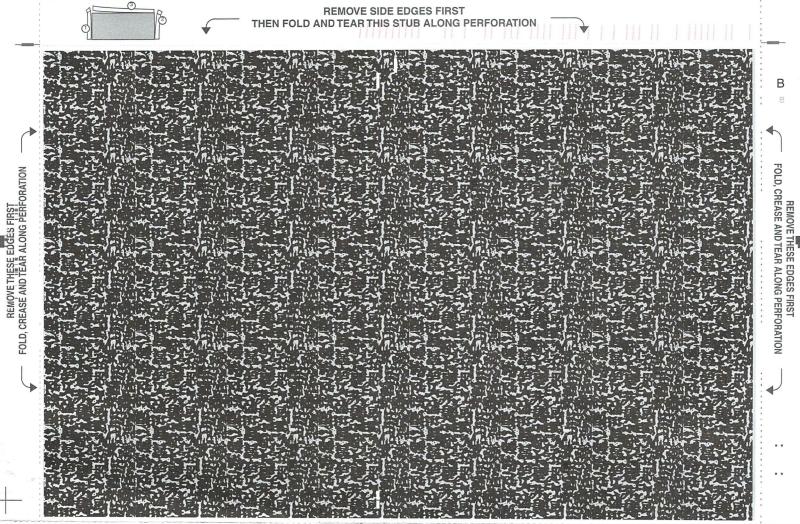
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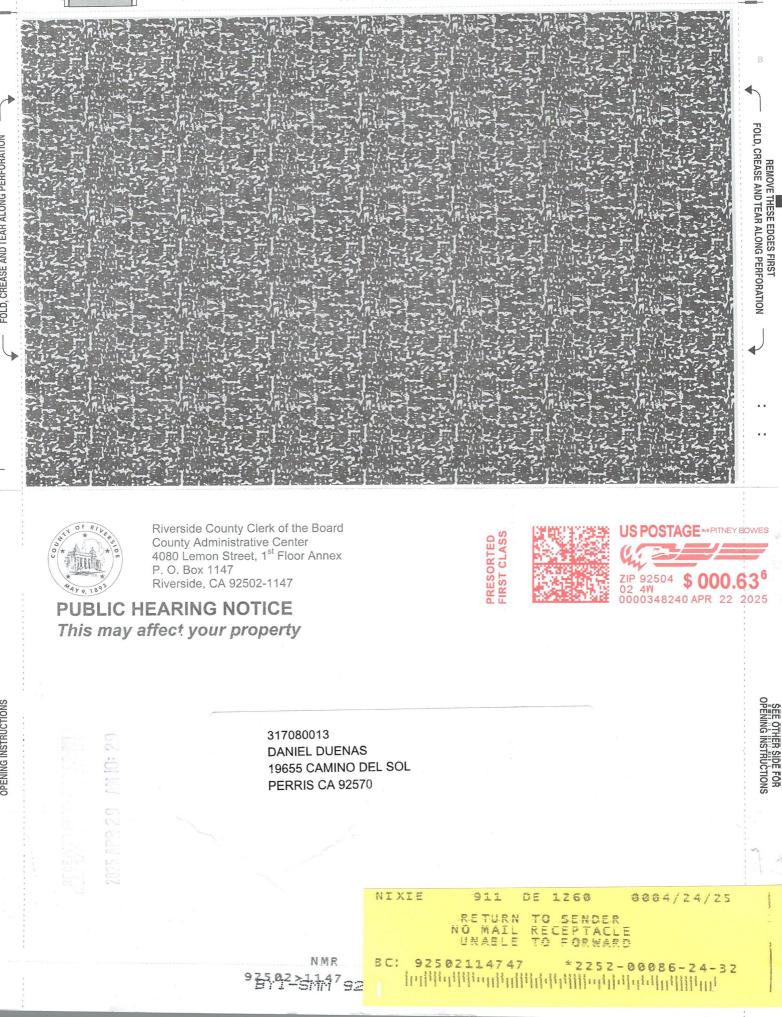
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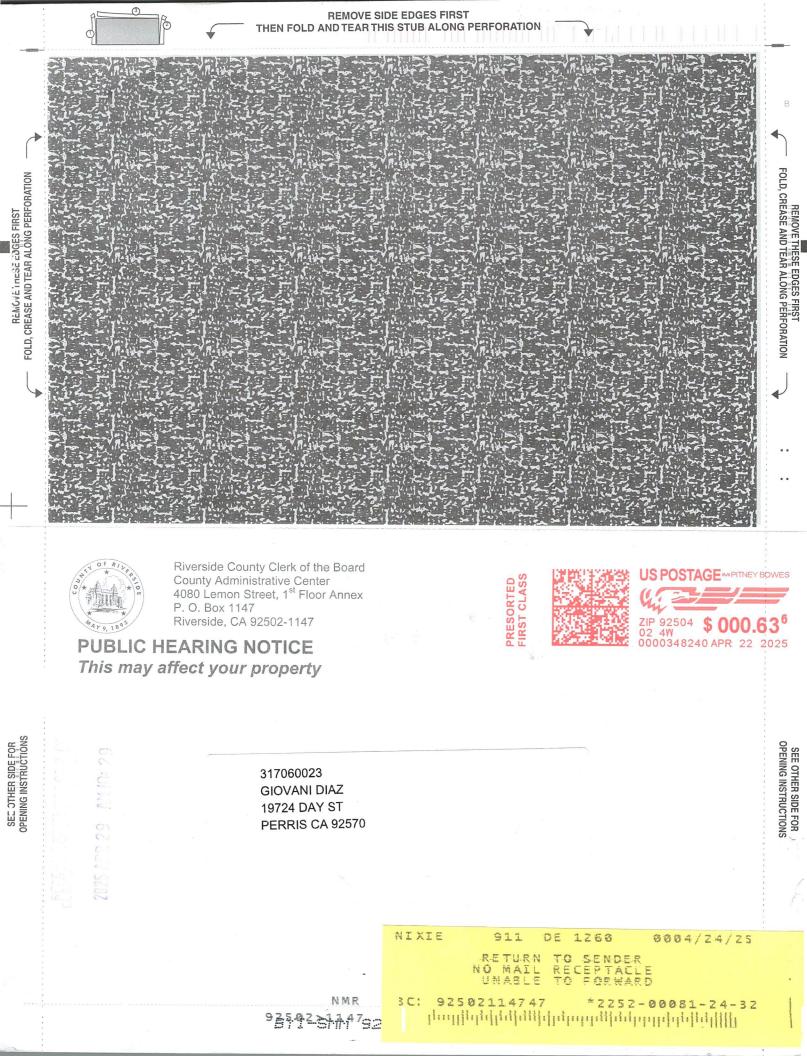
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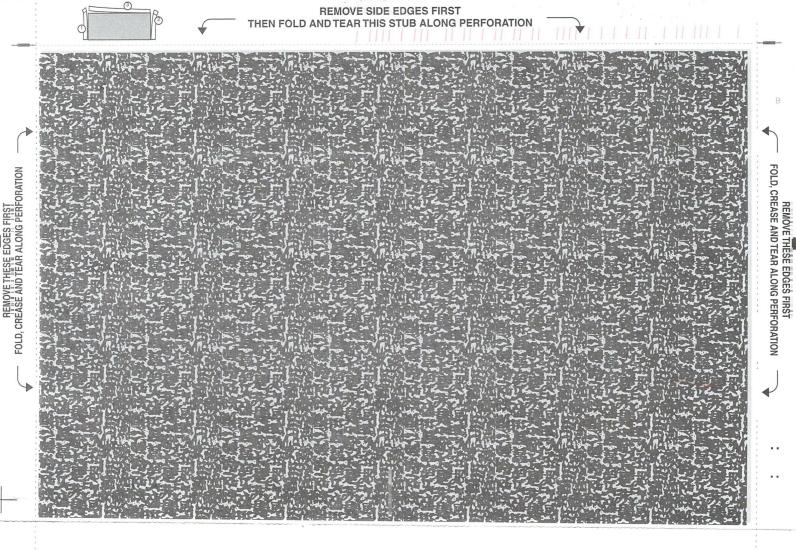
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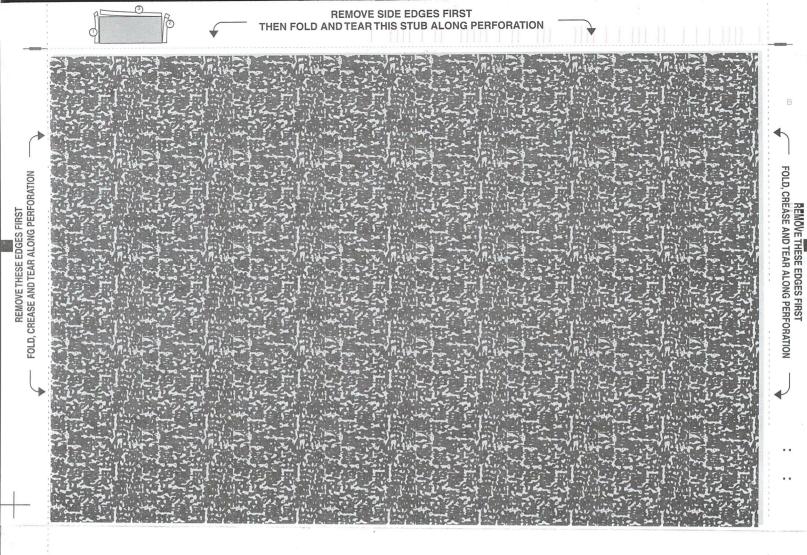
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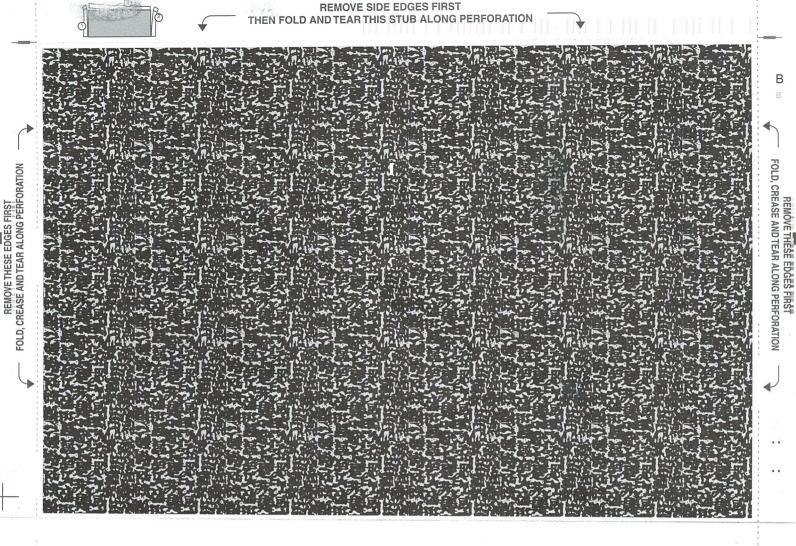
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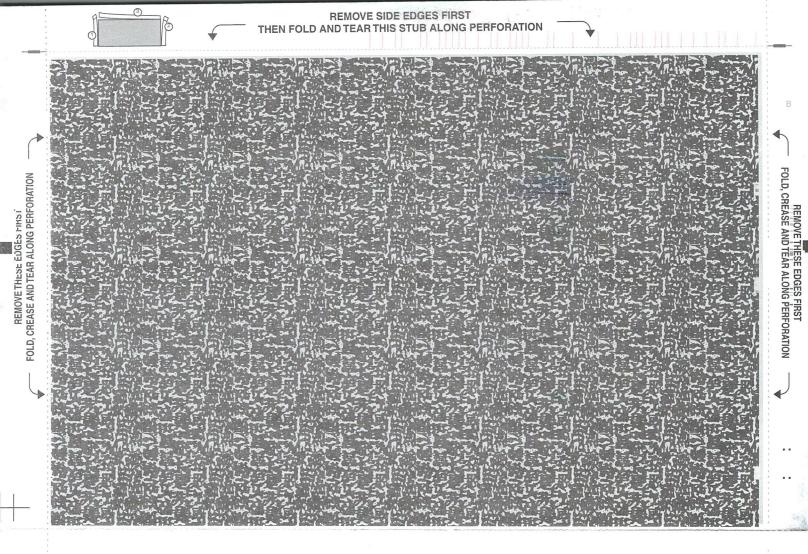
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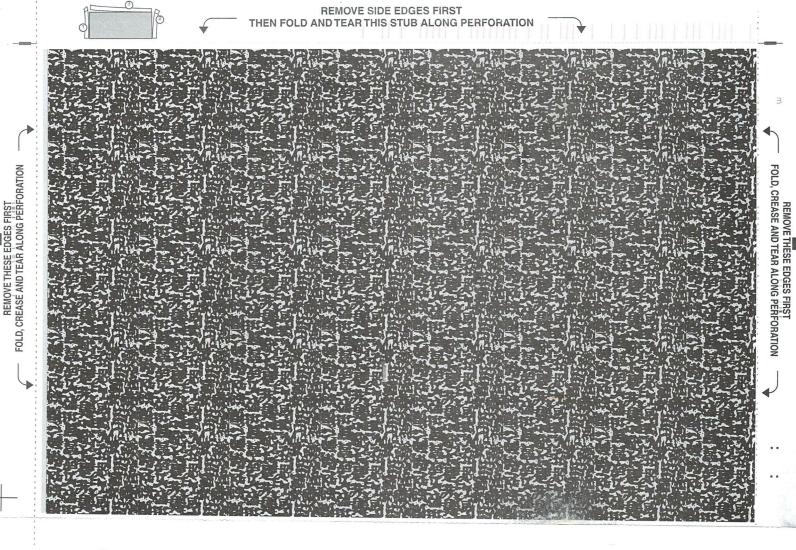
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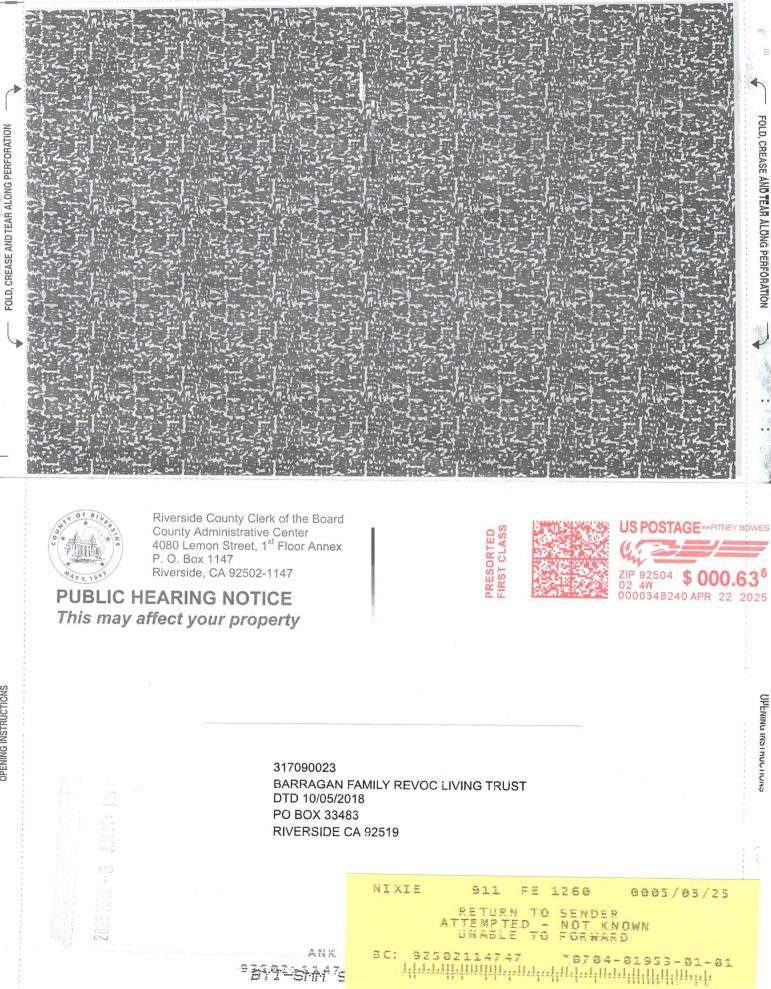
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RAMV is opposed to the Mead Valley Quarry.

Debbie Walsh

RAMV PO Box 2244 Perris, CA 92572 May 19, 2025

Riverside County Board of Supervisors 4080 Lemon Street Riverside, CA 92501

RE: Item 23.1 – Mead Valley Quarry

Honorable Supervisors:

RAMV is opposed to the Mead Valley Quarry. This mining operation will result in hundreds of truck trips per day on Cajalco Road, which is currently gridlocked most of the day. The railroad spur was eliminated years ago and this is not an option. Parents take their children to school using Cajalco Road.

- 1. Location. Next to the Mott Rimrock Reserve, AOL Resin Factory, Oak Grove At The Ranch's for at risk children and their families.
- **2.** The Proposed Railroad Spur is along the Eastern Municipal Water Treatment Facility, on top of the Colorado Aqueduct and within the AOL Resin Factory.
- **3.** Does the developer have letters giving railroad spur rights from EMWD, Metropolitan Water District and the AOL Resin Factory?
- 1938: Construction of the rail spur begins to expand Quarry operations, which is "expected to
  employ hundreds of men and supply material for Prado, San Antonio and other dams."
  (Mead Valley Quarry Presentation). The rail spur has been eliminated west of the Water
  Treatment plant.
- 5. "1942: The rail spur is fully constructed, increasing production to an estimated 436,800 tons per year". (Mead Valley Quarry Presentation). The rail spur no longer exists.
- 6. Will all of the aggregate be transported by truck?
- 7. What routes will be used?
- **8.** Noise from the mining operation will impact thousands of residents nearby, the endangered animals at the Mott Reserve and the Oak Grove children's facility.
- 9. Cajalco Road cannot accommodate hundreds of additional truck trips per day.
- **10.** Vested rights do not last forever. 75 years?
- **11.** The mining operation has not been in operation for many years. New permits must be generated.

RAMV urges the Board of Supervisors to reject the Riverside Legacy IV-Mead Valley, LLC request of a hearing with the Board of Supervisors to confirm that the property has a vested right to conduct surface mining activities without obtaining a Surface Mining Permit.

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RAMV, President



### **SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER**

Box Springs Group

Riverside County Supervisors,

May 19, 2025

The Sierra Club was very surprised to see a surface mining item on your agenda (23.1) without adequate information or any CEQA review. (PAR230043 - Riverside IV-Mead Valley, LLC requests)

We understand you are determining vested rights, but if you grant those you will very likely be allowing degradation to not only the environment, but quite like to the health of residents in our non-attainment area.

This is especially true in light of the following overview:

The Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975 (SMARA) is a California law that regulates surface mining operations and reclamation in the state. It aims to minimize adverse environmental impacts, ensure mined lands are reclaimed to a usab e condition, and encourage mineral production and conservation. SMARA is administered by the California State Mining and Geology Board(SMGB).

#### Based On Ord. 555

Section 2 reads,,, The adverse effects of surface mining operations will be prevented or minimized and that mined lands will be reclaimed to a useable condition which is readily adaptable for alternative land use;

Notice of meetings needed to be given to those along the route used to haul materials

A meeting before the Planning Commission

The Sierra Club would expect the public and you to have an approved Reclamation Plan.

Where is the HANS process information?

Where is Section 8 concerning all aspects of the Mining Plan?

The Sierra Club believe the public deserves the right to learn more about the proposed surface mine and not just review some old documents to determine vested rights which may be determined later without public oversite. The lack of information provided to the

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public for this item is unacceptable. In 2025 we need to protect people's health and we need to help the Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan be successful. Allowing surface mining to proceed without CEQA review runs counter to this.

The Sierra Club believes you should either deny this request or continue it until more written information is provided to the public and yourselves to allow informed comments and decisions. Please keep the Sierra Club notified of all future meetings and documents related to this proposal.

Sincerely,

George Hague Sierra Club Moreno Valley/Box Springs Group Conservation Co-Chair

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**Comments** Opposed to the mining permit, support the 3.73 and separate public comment



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#### Comments

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https://www.usgs.gov/faqs/how-does-mine-drainage-occur

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https://www.researchgate.net/publication/381428628\_Biodiversity\_Loss\_Due\_to\_Mining\_Activities

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Subject:	Public Comment for 5/20 BOS Meeting Agenda Item 23.1

CAUTION: This email originated externally from the <u>Riverside County</u> email system. DO NOT click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe. Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Victoria and I am a resident of Mead Valley. I am concerned about this item for a number of reasons.

G. Braiden Chadwick gave a presentation on this item at the May 7th MAC meeting. His presentation focused only on the "proof" they have to support their vesting right petition. They did not discuss the methods the applicant would use to excavate aggregate or any environmental impacts to Mead Valley residents. After the presentation, again, the MAC board disallowed the public to ask the presenter any questions. In addition to this, the item was titled "Patrick O'Reilly Presentation - OPS Communications," which gave no indication to any reader of the agenda that the presentation would be about a mine.

A lot of residents are not aware of this and I believe that before the board can make a decision on the matter, the information must be made available to residents. This project, if granted vesting rights to mine, would create disturbances to the wildlife in Mead Valley, as well as nearby residents. And the very least the applicant can do, is let the public know through a proper community meeting where residents' questions and concerns can be addressed.

Granting vesting rights to mine is a serious matter, as they would not need any permits or go through CEQA, according to the planning department. How are we going to know of any serious impacts on our environment, if there is no study done or conditions placed beforehand? There is a huge lack of transparency when it comes to the county and applicants wanting to take advantage of Mead Valley.

The county must do better to properly inform residents during MAC meetings, because residents do show up to those meetings. But not many can make it to a BOS meeting in downtown Riverside at 9:30am on a Tuesday.

Sincerely,

Victoria Camarena



## PECHANGA CULTURAL RESOURCES

Pechanga Band of Indians

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May 20, 2025

Mr. Darren Edgington Project Planner Riverside County Planning Department 4080 Lemon Street, 9th Floor Riverside, CA 92502

### Re: Pechanga Band of Indians Concerns Regarding Mead Valley Vesting Mine Determination for 375 Acres – PAR230043

Dear Mr. Edgington:

This correspondence is submitted by the Pechanga Band of Indians (hereinafter, "the Tribe"), a federally recognized Indian tribe and sovereign government, to express our profound disappointment and grave concern regarding the County's continued efforts to circumvent proper environmental review processes through this vested rights determination. The Tribe strongly objects to the County's continued revival of vested rights, which serve to bypass CEQA requirements and meaningful public and tribal consultation regarding the cultural and environmental impacts of these types of projects. Pechanga was in this very room a year ago opposing a similar project near Corona where, similar to this project, countless cultural resources are likely to be destroyed forever.

We request this correspondence be part of the official record for this Project.

## <u>THE MEAD VALLEY VESTED RIGHTS REQUEST FOR 375-ACRES PROJECT</u> <u>AREA ENCOMPASSES THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA WHICH IS WITHIN THE</u> <u>PAYÓMKAWISH TRIBAL TERRITORY, A TRADITIONAL CULTURAL PROPERTY</u> <u>(TCP) AND TRADITIONAL CULTRUAL LANDSCAPE (TCL) OF</u>

### THE PECHANGA BAND OF INDIANS

Numerous known cultural resources and village sites significant to the Pechanga Tribe's cultural heritage and history, and deemed significant under State and Federal law, are located within and adjacent to the proposed vested rights, which encompasses a 365-acre area. While historic accounts

and anthropological and linguistic theories are important in determining traditional Payómkawichum (Pa-YOM-kah-which-um, Luiseño) territory; the songs and oral traditions are the Tribe's primary source of information. They define the Tribe's identity, beliefs, and traditional territories. The songs and oral accounts have transferred history and knowledge through the generations for thousands of years.

As defined in the Tribe's Creation Account and oral tradition, the Payómkawish Ancestral Territory encompasses approximately 2,000 square miles, that includes all of Western Riverside County and northwestern San Diego County. The northern border follows the Santa Ana River and covers the western slopes of the San Jacinto Mountains to the east. At Idyllwild, the boundary turns to the south, including Aguanga, and then extends east again to the middle of San Jose de Valle (Warner Valley). At Lake Henshaw it turns southwest, and incorporates Escondido, all of San Marcos, and Batiquitos Lagoon. The Pacific Ocean and the southern Channel Islands is the western border. The mainland coastal areas of Carlsbad, Oceanside, and all of Camp Pendleton are also included. At the northern border of Camp Pendleton, the territory curves east and skirts the ridgeline of the Santa Ana Mountains up to the northern boundary, the Santa Ana River.

The proposed 375-acre area for the vested rights lies directly within a Traditional Cultural Property (TCP) and Traditional Cultural Landscape (TCL). This TCP and TCL spans approximately 5 miles north to south and 3.2 miles east to west with the area known as Penny Ranch / Motte Reserve, a research property owned by the University of California, Riverside in the center. The northern boundary encompasses Cajalco Road approximately where it meets the I-215, which roughly forms the eastern boundary. Highway 74 cuts through the southern portion of the TCP with Old Elsinore Road framing the western boundary.

There are over 263 recorded cultural (archaeological) features recorded within this property. Most of the sites within this proposed project area and the larger TCP are milling features, or what the Tribe identifies as "kitchens," utilized by individuals from a nuclear or extended family. For instance, several mortars located on a single boulder represents several families or a clan living adjacent to this boulder. Archaeologists usually document milling features as individual sites, such as the case within this TCP, instead of viewing a cluster of milling features as a village complex. While the milling feature is indicative of the activities of food processing, the land around and between the rock outcrops was also utilized as living spaces, where homes were erected and daily activities occurred. Ceremonial observance areas are also identified within this TCP at sites that contain rock art panels, wave shaped boulders with cupules, rock shelters, and concentrations of sacred cultural items.

Due to the large number of milling sites with in this TCP and proposed project area, bedrock residue analysis was conducted a few years ago on a site in the region which identified the past environment of the valley to have been a meadow, with the presence of oaks, pines, and several

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grasses, very different from current landscape.1 These abundant plant and animal resources would have supported hundreds of people at one time.

The Tribe believes this TCP is culturally significant and is what archaeologists term a type of Traditional Cultural Place, a Traditional Cultural Landscape. As defined in Stapp and Burney, "...Native American cultural landscapes contain a variety of natural and cultural resources that tribes consider part of their heritage: This is where their ancestors lived and died and important events took place, including the actual place where the People originated from" and "actually identifying cultural landscapes and associated archaeological remains and traditional cultural places does not necessarily require disclosing why the area is important."

### THE PROJECT IMPACTS TO CULTURAL RESOURCES

The proposed expansion of the mining rights is located in a highly sensitive region of Payómkawichum territory. The Tribe understands that Riverside Legacy IV-Mead Valley, LLC owns an approximately 375-acre property in the Riverside County, currently known as the Mead Valley Quarry, which is a site of a historic mining operation. However, since the early 1940's, the quarry activities occurred on a very small portion of the property, affecting a minimal number of cultural resources. Since that time, environmental laws and protections have been enacted and we request that they be adhered to for this proposed project.

The Tribe finds it deeply troubling that, despite the enactment of the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act (SMARA) in 1975 and the adoption of County Ordinance No. 555 in 1977, the County is now considering a vested rights determination that would effectively exempt this massive expansion from current environmental protection laws. This attempt to circumvent modern environmental regulations through a vested rights claim is particularly alarming given the presence of unique and irreplaceable cultural rescurces, including Payómkawichum village sites, sacred sites, and possible ancestral remains that would be irreversibly destroyed by the proposed mining activities. The Tribe believes the proper and lawful assessment and treatment of cultural resources needs to be conducted to preserve and protect Ancestral remains and sacred items likely to be discovered in the course of the work.

#### **CONCLUSION**

The Tribe strongly urges the County of Riverside to reject the vested rights determination and require the applicant to undergo the full and proper permitting process. This is critical to ensure that all necessary environmental reviews — including those mandated by CEQA, NEPA, Section 106, and other applicable federal and state laws — are thoroughly and transparently conducted.

The County's effort to fast-track this mining project under the guise of vested rights represents a serious failure to uphold its legal responsibilities and moral obligations. It places irreplaceable cultural resources at risk and undermines environmental justice for Tribal communities. Such Pechanga Cultural Resources • Temecula Band of Luiseño Mission Indians Post Office Box 2183 • Temecula, CA 92592

actions disregard established legal frameworks and the County's duty to engage in meaningful, government-to-government consultation with Tribal Nations.

Regardless of the outcome, the Pechanga Band remains committed to working collaboratively with both the County and the applicant to protect and preserve these sacred cultural resources.

While we appreciate the opportunity to submit these comments, we must emphasize that the County's current approach to this project and others like it represents an unacceptable departure from its obligations to create a meaningful county-wide policy designed to protect cultural resources. Pechanga looks forward to working together with the County of Riverside in protecting the invaluable Pechanga village sites and cultural resources, and be a part of the environmental review process. If you have any questions, please contact Ebru Ozdil, Cultural Analyst at (961) 770-6313 or at eozdil@pechanga-nsn.gov.

Sincerely,

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### Re: Item 23.1; Transportation and Land Management Agency/Planning: PAR230043 - Riverside Legacy IV-Mead Valley, LLC Vested Rights; ID No. 27018

Dear Honorable Supervisors:

This firm represents the Rural Association of Mead Valley ("RAMV") with regard to the County of Riverside's ("County") consideration (f a request by Riverside Legacy IV-Mead Valley, LLC ("Applicant") to determine vested rights to conduct surface mining activities. This letter is intended to inform the County that (1) the Applicant does not have vested rights and, (2) the Project is not exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA").

I. The Staff Report is Conclusory and Lacks Sufficient Evidence

The Staff Report prepared for the Project states that staff has undertaken an analysis of historical mining activities and has "found no evidence to suggest that, at any time in the years following 1949, any of the current or prior owners of the Quarry Property ever indicated the intent to relinquish the established mining rights or taken any action that would in any way suggest that such important rights were being abandoned." However, almost no evidence has been provided to support this statement, nor has any evidence been submitted that demonstrates the mining have operated continuously since 1949. <u>If staff has truly "undertaken considerable research," then why has this research and information not been provided to to the Board and the public?</u> The Staff Report prepared for the Project is <u>sparse</u> and conclusory.

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Significantly, no affirmative evidence has been with regard to the Applicant's "objective intent to <u>extend</u> surface mining activities to the <u>entire</u> Proposed Vested Rights Area of the 1949 vesting date."

The County's proposed actions do not satisfy the findings requirements set forth in *Topanga Ass'n for a Scenic Cmty. v. Cnty. of Los Angeles* (1974) 11 Cal.3d 506, 514–15 (*Topanga*). The Court in *Topanga* explained that the intended effect of findings is "to facilitate orderly analysis and minimize the likelihood that the agency will randomly leap from evidence to conclusion." 11 Cal.3d at 515. In *Topanga*, the court articulated the purposes and reasons for findings. Findings:

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The Staff Report notes that the Project is not subject to CEQA. This is not accurate. As noted in the Staff Report, a "legally adequate Reclamation Plan and Financial Assurance" must be submitted to, and approved by, the County of Riverside and the California Department of Conservation, Division of Mine Reclamation. Even if the Applicant has vested rights (which they do not), this is the "sort" of activity that triggers CEQA. This firm has previously litigated a case before the California Supreme Court with regard what is considered a "project" under

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