



San Luis Obispo County

Department of Planning and Building Environmental Division

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD EXTENDED TO: 4:30 PM ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2011

WHO: County of San Luis Obispo Department of Planning and Building

WHAT: A Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Agricultural Cluster Subdivision Program is complete and available for public review and comment. The document addresses the environmental impacts that may be associated with proposed amendments to existing Land Use Ordinance standards and General Plan policies pertaining to agricultural cluster subdivisions. Specifically, the proposed program will amend Section 22.22.150 (*Agricultural Lands Clustering*), Section 22.22.152 (*Major Agricultural Cluster*), and Section 22.22.154 (*Minor Agricultural Cluster*) of the County Land Use Ordinance (LUO) and Policies 20, 22, and 23 of the Agriculture Element of the County General Plan. The proposed program will also add a new section to the Coastal Zone Land Use Ordinance (CZLUO), which would allow for agricultural cluster subdivisions in specified areas of the Coastal Zone.

The proposed amendments to the LUO would affect Agriculture-designated parcels within five road miles of the following Urban Reserve Lines (URLs): Arroyo Grande, Atascadero, San Luis Obispo, San Miguel, Nipomo, Templeton, and Paso Robles. The proposed amendments to the CZLUO would affect Agriculture-designated parcels in the North Coast and Estero planning areas. County File Number: LRP2008-00010.

WHERE: Copies of the DEIR and all documents referenced in the DEIR, are available for review from the County Environmental Coordinator, 976 Osos St., Rm 300, San Luis Obispo. Copies of the EIR are also available for review at the following locations: Cal Poly Library and the San Luis Obispo City/ County Library. The DEIR is on the Planning Department's web site at: www.sloplanning.org under "Environmental Information and Natural Resources" and then to "Environmental Notices, Proposed Negative Declarations, EIRs and other Documents".

HOW TO COMMENT OR GET MORE INFORMATION:

Anyone interested in commenting on the DEIR should submit a written statement to Bill Robeson, Senior Planner, of the San Luis Obispo County Department of Planning and Building at 976 Osos St., Rm 300, San Luis Obispo, CA 93408-2040 by **4:30 p.m. on Friday, October 21, 2011. This deadline was extended from October 17, 2011 to concur with the close of the State Clearinghouse Review Period for the DEIR.** If you need more information about this project, please contact Bill Robeson at (805) 781-5607.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

The Draft EIR addresses the proposed program's potential impacts on agriculture, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geologic hazards, hydrology/water quality, noise, public services and utilities, transportation and circulation, visual resources, water quality, and growth inducing effects. The

EIR also considers four alternatives in addition to the required “No Project” alternative.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A tentative public hearing before the San Luis Obispo Planning Commission has been tentatively scheduled for January 26, 2012, in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, County Government Center, San Luis Obispo.

****If you challenge this matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this public notice or in written correspondence delivered to the appropriate authority at or before the public hearing****

DATED: October 14, 2011

RAMONA HEDGES, SECRETARY
COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Per CEQA Section 15087(c)(6), the proposed project is within close proximity of one or more sites described under Government Code Section 65962.5 (known as the “Cortese List”), which includes hazardous waste facilities, land designated as hazardous waste property, hazardous waste disposal sites, or is subject to the Hazardous Waste Substances Statement required under subsection (f) of that Section, or is found on a list at the <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/SiteCleanup/CorteseList/default.htm> website.