



# SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** December 11, 2012  
**To:** John McKenzie, Project Manager  
**From:** Mark Davis, Development Services Engineer  
**Subject:** **Public Works Comments on DRC2012-00035, Plains Exploration & Production Phase V Oil Field Expansion CUP**

Thank you for the opportunity to provide information on the Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report for the subject project. It has been reviewed by several divisions of Public Works, and this represents our consolidated response.

1. Contact person: Mark Davis, County Government Center Room 207, San Luis Obispo CA 93408. (805) 788-2452, [mkdavis@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:mkdavis@co.slo.ca.us).
2. County Public Works is responsible for reviewing public improvements including streets and utilities, as well as drainage and flood hazard, under the provisions of the Real Property Division Ordinance and the Land Use Ordinance; and Encroachment within the public right-of-way under County Municipal Codes (Title 13) and the Streets and Highway Code.
3. For our use, the report must address project anticipated impacts to traffic and circulation, drainage and flood hazard. The Initial Study Checklist, and its Comments section, appears to adequately cover these topics.
  - a. Preparation of a traffic report is recommend for this project. Please contact Public Works for report requirements.
  - b. Coordinate traffic report with City of Pismo Beach and Caltrans.
4. A list of "Standard Conditions" is available from our office and available upon request. Minimum conditions would include road improvements, circulation improvements, drainage improvements, utility improvements, and maintenance requirements of the new improvements.
  - a. Price Canyon Road widening improvements along the property frontage to include installation of Class 2 bike lanes or coordinate with Public Works to define their fair share contribution.
  - b. Price Canyon Road improvements at each entrance in accordance with Caltrans HDM Figure 405.7 including center left turn lanes.
  - c. Truck haul fee in accordance with County Code 22.36.110-Use of County Roads by Extraction Operations. The fee is currently estimated at \$1.52 per truck.

5. We do not have any alternative projects to suggest for evaluation.
6. Reasonably foreseeable Department projects, programs or plans in the area of this proposed development may include:
  - a. Ongoing scheduled maintenance operations along Price Canyon Road and Ormonde Road.
  - b. Widening improvements to Price Canyon Road between State Route 227 southerly beyond Ormonde Road per County Contracts No. 300136, 300360, 300361, and 300464.
7. The following information may be relevant for consideration in the EIR:
  - a. Land Use Ordinance Title 22, specifically Chapter 22.36.110-Use of County Roads by Extraction Operations.
  - b. San Luis Obispo County Public Improvement Standards (online).
  - c. County Traffic Impact Study Policy (online).
  - d. County of San Luis Obispo Pavement Report (online).
  - e. County of San Luis Obispo National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Phase II, Stormwater Management Program (County Code Section 8.68)
  - f. County Code (Title 22) Sections 22.52-Grading & Drainage, 22.14.060-Flood Hazard Area, 22.10.155-Stormwater Management
  - g. Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM).
8. Public Works has no further comments on the Notice of Preparation.

Please provide us notification that the Draft EIR is available for review via the web and the related web address where the document may be viewed. If you have any questions or comments I can be contacted by phone at 805/788-2452, by email at ([mkdavis@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:mkdavis@co.slo.ca.us)), or at the above address.