

**SUPPLEMENTAL**  
**NOTICE OF PREPARATION**  
**LOS OSOS WASTEWATER PROJECT**

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**Subject: Supplemental Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report**

On December 10, 2007, the County of San Luis Obispo, acting as the Lead Agency, issued a Notice of Preparation for the Los Osos Wastewater Project. The EIR process has yielded additional information regarding potential wastewater treatment plant and effluent disposal and reuse sites. This supplemental Notice of Preparation invites agencies to express the views of your agency as to the scope and content of the environmental information which is germane to your agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with this additional information. Your agency will need to use the environmental impact report prepared by our agency when considering your permit or other approval for the project.

The project description, location, and the potential environmental effects are contained in the attached materials. A copy of the December 10, 2007 NOP is attached.

Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your response must be sent at the earliest possible date but not later than 30 days after receipt of this notice.

Please send your response to Mark Hutchinson at the address shown above. We will need the name for a contact person in your agency.

**Project Title:** Los Osos Wastewater Project (SCH # 2007121034)

Date: June 30, 2008

Signature



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***COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO***

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF PREPARATION (NOP)**

**FOR THE**

**LOS OSOS WASTEWATER PROJECT**

**June 23, 2008**

## INTRODUCTION

On December 10, 2007, the County of San Luis Obispo issued a Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the Los Osos Wastewater Project (copy attached). The NOP described the project history, purpose, location and probable environmental effects in detail. The NOP also stated that:

*“The County does not intend to develop a single “proposed project” on which to focus the EIR and base the alternatives analysis. Using 30% design information, the core work effort is to, through the CEQA/NEPA process, in concert with on-going efforts to define project costs and consider community preferences, move through an alternative analysis process that results in a fully developed project description. Based upon the volumes of documentation produced for the project over the past decades, the most recent work produced by the County team, and the clear project purposes of wastewater treatment and water supply, the County desires to examine the widest possible range of feasible alternatives on a co-equal basis”.*

Consequently, although the NOP contained location and vicinity maps for the project, and identified the wastewater service area, it did not identify specific potential locations for treatment plant(s) or the effluent disposal and reuse elements of the project. Through the project development process, the County has identified a range of potential sites for these elements of the project. Agencies are invited to review these potential sites and provide information as to the scope and content of the EIR as it pertains to your agency’s jurisdiction over the sites and/or resources that may exist on each site.

## POTENTIAL TREATMENT PLANT SITES

For those project alternatives that utilize a single wastewater treatment facility, the project development process has yielded information on several sites that may be suitable for the location of a wastewater treatment plant. These sites are described below and shown in the attached figures. It should be noted that some project options may utilize more than one site, or the majority of a single site and portions of adjacent sites.

### Giacomazzi

The Giacomazzi property is a rectangular 38.2-acre parcel north of Los Osos Valley Road and west of Clark Valley Road. The site slopes gently downward to the north and east toward an ephemeral drainage that extends along the easterly portion of the site to Warden Lake (offsite). The channel supports a small oak woodland along its northerly reaches. There is a collection of farm-related buildings along the western border with numerous tall trees surround the buildings. The level areas of the site have been cultivated with crops. The property is in the Agriculture Land Use Category.

### Cemetery

The Cemetery Property consists of a rectangular 47.4 parcel north of Los Osos Valley Road; the Los Osos Mortuary and Memorial Park occupies the southerly portion of the site (about 19 acres). The site slopes gently downward to the north; the westerly boundary slopes downward to the west to a dirt road that provides access to surrounding farming operations. About 6.5 acres in the northwest corner is cultivated with row crops, with the remainder fallow. There are no large trees or other natural features. The property is in the Public Facilities Land Use Category.

### Branin

The Branin property consists of an irregularly shaped 42.2 acre parcel north of Los Osos Valley Road and adjacent to Warden Lake, which consists of native wetland and riparian vegetation. The site slopes to the north and contains two ephemeral drainages. Access to the site is provided by a dirt road that wraps around the Cemetery Property and provides access to surrounding farming operations. The property is in the Agriculture Land Use Category.

### Tonini

The Tonini property consists of an irregularly shaped approximate 650 acre parcel north of Los Osos Valley Road, immediately west and south of Turri Road. Approximately ½ of the site is too steeply sloped to be used for a wastewater treatment facility. Access to the site is provide by Turri Road, which fronts the property on the east and north sides. Current uses include farm support residences, farm support buildings, grazing, forage crops and row crops. The property is in the Agriculture Land Use Category, and is under a Williamson Act (Agricultural Preserve) contract.

### Turri Road

The Turri Road site is the location proposed for a wastewater treatment plant by the County in 1987. The property is an irregularly shaped approximate 87 acre parcel adjacent to the south site of Turri Road, which provides access. Only the northern 17 acre portion of the property would be suitable for a wastewater treatment plant; the southern portion is very steeply sloping and is mostly occupied by the now closed Turri Road landfill. The property is in the Agriculture Land Use Category, and is under a Williamson Act (Agricultural Preserve) contract.

### Robbins/Andre

The Robbins/Andre site consists of three adjacent parcels (Two owned by Robbins and one owned by Andre) that together comprise a trapezoidal 94.5 acre area adjacent to the north side Los Osos Valley Road, which provides access. The property is adjacent to the south side of Warden Lake. Approximately ½ of the property slopes to the south

and is visible from Los Osos Valley Road, the other ½ slopes northerly into Warden Lake. The property is in the Agriculture Land Use Category.

### Mid-Town

The mid-town site is the location of the wastewater treatment facility proposed by the Los Osos Community Services District in 2001. Construction was started on this site, but halted in 2005. The site is an irregularly shaped 11.7 acre parcel adjacent to the north side of Los Osos Valley Road, which provides access. The property is currently “dual-zoned” with allowed uses in the Office/Professional and Commercial Retail or Public Facilities Land Use Categories.

## **POTENTIAL EFFLUENT DISPOSAL AND REUSE SITES**

### Broderson

The Broderson property consists of a rectangular shaped 81 acre parcel located south of Highland Drive. The Broderson property has been proposed as an effluent disposal site in every version of the Los Osos Wastewater project, beginning with the County’s 1987 proposal. Access to the site is off of the south end of Broderson Avenue. Approximately 8 acres of the site would be used to construct an effluent disposal leach field; the remainder of the site would be placed in permanent open space and added to the Los Osos Greenbelt. The property is currently in the Residential Single Family and Residential Suburban Land Use Categories.

### Tonini

The Tonini property consists of an irregularly shaped approximate 650 acre parcel north of Los Osos Valley Road, immediately east and south of Turri Road. Approximately ½ of the site is too steeply sloped to be used for effluent disposal spray fields. Access to the site is provide by Turri Road, which fronts the property on the east and north sides. Current uses include farm support residences, farm support buildings, grazing, forage crops and row crops. The property is in the Agriculture Land Use Category, and is under a Williamson Act (Agricultural Preserve) contract.

### Urban Re-use

Several sites have been identified as potential future urban reuse locations. The current project description does not include an urban reuse component; however, construction of a central wastewater treatment facility would allow the option of urban reuse to be further developed. Under urban re-use, wastewater is treated to the appropriate water quality level and then applied as irrigation in lieu of using potable water. All of the potential urban reuse sites are currently developed with larger turf areas and include the Los Osos Cemetery and Memorial Park on Los Osos Valley Road, the Los Osos

Community Park on Los Osos Valley Road near the center of the community, the Sea Pines Golf Course and several school sites.

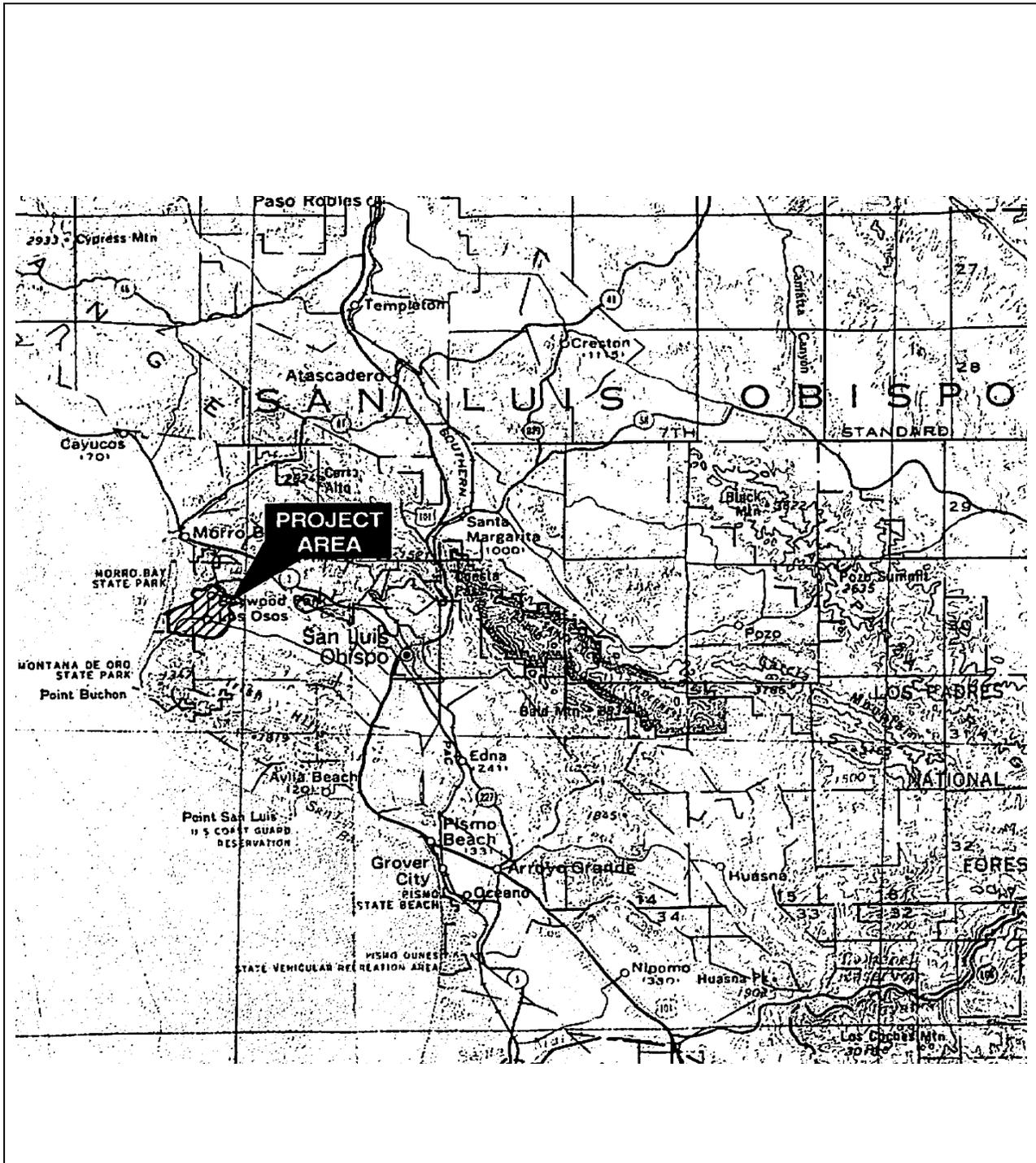
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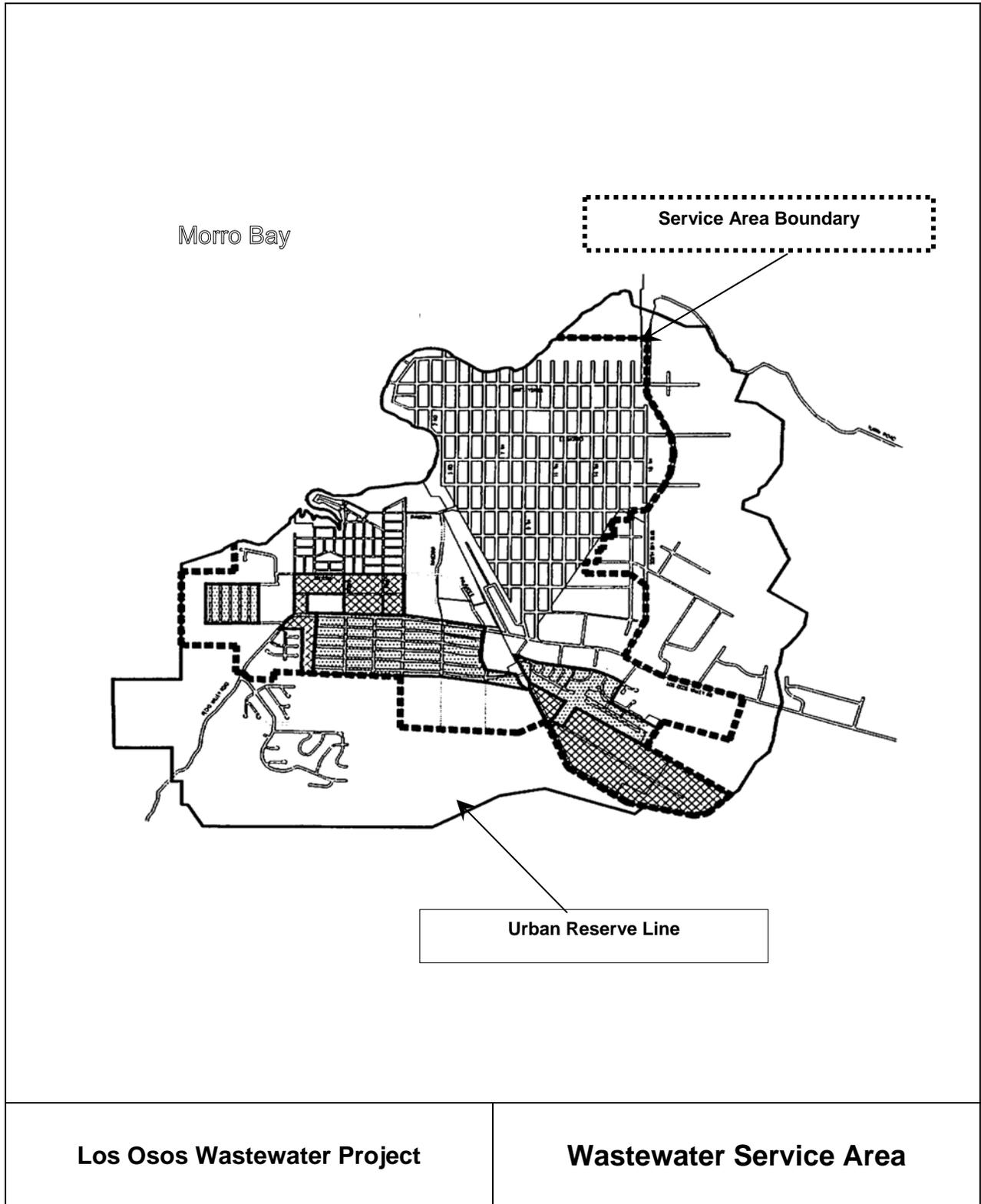
**Los Osos Wastewater Project**

**Location Map**



Los Osos Wastewater Project

Vicinity Map



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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOP**

**POTENTIAL TREATMENT PLANT  
AND  
EFFLUENT DISPOSAL SITES**

