



## PLACER COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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Sutter County  
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Re: Placer Vineyards Specific Plan, Revised Draft EIR (SCH#99062020), Sutter County, Responsible Agency Status

During 2004, Placer County circulated a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which evaluated the potential impacts associated with the implementation of the Placer Vineyards Specific Plan in southwestern Placer County (see attached Figures 1 and 2). As a result of public comment and subsequent project review, the proposed Specific Plan has been revised by the project proponents. In accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5, Placer County will prepare and circulate a Revised Draft EIR for the project.

Based on the project description for the revised Specific Plan, Placer County has determined that Sutter County may be a responsible agency for the project as that term is defined by Section 15381 of the CEQA Guidelines. Specifically, the project proposes to make improvements to Riego Road within Sutter County (see attached Figure 3).

At this time, we are seeking your input and/or comments on the proposed project in order to ensure that your concerns as a potential responsible agency are addressed in the Revised Draft EIR. It is the County's intent to prepare a project level EIR for the Specific Plan, including the proposed improvements to Riego Road, and it is our expectation that Sutter County, as a responsible agency, will utilize the same EIR during any public deliberations, or permitting of the proposed Riego Road improvements.

Please convey your input and/or comments to the undersigned at the above address no later than 30 days from today. If there are questions, you may reach me at (530) 886-3000. Thank you for your time and assistance.

Sincerely,

  
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