

## 16. EFFECTS NOT FOUND TO BE SIGNIFICANT

### 16.1 INTRODUCTION

Section 15128 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines requires that an EIR briefly describe why various environmental effects were determined not to be significant and therefore were not discussed in detail in the EIR. The Effects Not Found to be Significant chapter of this EIR summarizes environmental issues that were determined not to be significant with implementation of the proposed project. The reasons for the conclusion of non-significance are provided for each issue area, as applicable, below.

### 16.2 AESTHETICS

Consistent with Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines, the proposed project was determined to have no impact with regard to the following issue areas:

- Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista; or
- Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a State Scenic Highway.

A scenic vista, as defined in this EIR, is an area that is designated, signed, and accessible to the public for the express purposes of viewing and sightseeing. A scenic vista includes any such areas designated by a federal, State, or local agency. Federal and State agencies have not designated any such locations within Placer County for viewing and sightseeing. Similarly, Placer County, according to the Placer County General Plan, has determined that the Planning Area of the General Plan does not contain officially designated scenic highways, corridors, vistas, or viewing areas. Given that established scenic vistas are not located on or adjacent to the project site, the proposed project would not have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista. Furthermore, officially designated State Scenic Highways are not located in Placer County. Therefore, the proposed project would not substantially damage any scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings, within a State Scenic Highway.

### 16.3 HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Consistent with Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines, the proposed project was determined to have no impact with regard to the following issue areas:

- Emit hazardous emissions, or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school. Based on the analysis below, no impact would occur;
- Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would create a significant hazard to the public or the environment.; or
- For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport, public use airport, or private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area.



The proposed project site is not located within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school. The nearest school, Roseville Montessori Academy, is located 0.47-mile north of the site. Furthermore, the project consists of a residential subdivision, and, thus, would not involve the routine use or transport of substantial quantities of hazardous materials during operation. As such, the proposed project would not emit hazardous emissions, or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school.

The site is not included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5, and impacts related to such would not occur. The Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) conducted for the proposed project site did not identify any recognized environmental conditions (RECs) associated with the project site. Therefore, the proposed project would not create a significant hazard to the public or the environment associated with a hazardous materials site.

The proposed project is not located within an airport land use plan or within two miles of a public airport, public use airport, or private airstrip. The nearest airport relative to the project site is the McClellan Airport, which is located approximately 7.25 miles to the southwest of the site. Therefore, the proposed project would not result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area associated with an airport or airstrip.

#### **16.4 LAND USE AND PLANNING/POPULATION AND HOUSING/AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES**

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Consistent with Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines, the proposed project was determined to have no impact with regard to the following issue areas:

- Displace substantial numbers of existing people or housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere;
- Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104(g)); or
- Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use or involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of forest land to non-forest use.

The project site does not contain any existing development. Given that the proposed subdivision would not require demolition of any existing homes, the proposed project would not displace any existing people or housing and would not necessitate the construction of replacement housing elsewhere.

In addition, the project site is not considered forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220[g]) or timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), and is not zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104[g]). Therefore, the proposed project would not conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land or timberland, the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use, or involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of forest land to non-forest use.



## 16.5 NOISE

Consistent with Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines, the proposed project was determined to have no impact with regard to the following issue area:

- For a project located within the vicinity of a private airstrip or an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels.

The proposed project is not located within the vicinity of a private airstrip, an airport land use plan, or two miles of a public airport or public use airport. The nearest airport relative to the project site is the McClellan Airport, which is located approximately 7.25 miles to the southwest of the site. Therefore, the proposed project would not expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels associated with airports.

