

SECTION B

INITIAL STUDY CHECKLIST

Job:	PD-1447	Requestor:	Ron Vogelbaum
Applicant:	Paul Visher	Date:	October 28, 1991
Survey Type:	Field	Rationale:	Sensitive Region

Site Description: A field survey of the parcel (700-01-43) was conducted on October 18, 1991 determine the potential for the proposed residences to impact sensitive biological resources. The ridgeline portion of the parcel contains mostly introduced weedy species with scattered elements of local chaparral and coastal sage scrub communities. The remainder of the parcel is less disturbed and contains a mosaic of non-native grassland interspersed with patches of Venturan coastal sage scrub and *Ceanothus megacarpus* chaparral.

PROJECT IMPACT DEGREE OF EFFECT*				CUMULATIVE IMPACT DEGREE OF EFFECT*			
N	LS	S	U	N	LS	S	U

6. Biological Resources

a.	endangered, threatened, or rare species	<u>X</u>				<u>X</u>
b.	wetland habitat	<u>X</u>		—	—	<u>X</u>
c.	coastal habitat	<u>X</u>	—	—	—	<u>X</u>
d.	migration corridors	<u>X</u>		—	—	<u>X</u>
e.	locally important species/communities	<u>X</u>				<u>X</u>

SECTION C

DISCUSSION OF RESPONSES

- a. The California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) Natural Diversity Data Base (RAREFIND, 1991) does not report sensitive species within one mile of the parcel. Sensitive species were not observed on the parcel. However, a sensitive plant species (Catalina mariposa lily) was observed immediately south of the parcel. This species would not be adversely affected by the construction of the proposed residences, since it does not occur within the proposed graded area.
- b. Wetlands do not occur on the parcel. Wetlands may occur in Deer Canyon to the south of the parcel. This area would not be impacted by the proposed residences due to the limited scope of development.
- c. The parcel does not contain coastal resources.
- d. Local wildlife moving from the coast towards Boney Mountain are expected to use Deer Canyon and cross Pacific View Road in the project vicinity. Due to the low density of existing development, wildlife may cross at a number of locations. The parcel is located on a small ridgeline between Deer Canyon and Pacific View Road. This ridgeline contains an existing residence and appears to form a topographical obstruction to wildlife moving north. It is not expected that these two residences would affect local wildlife movements.
- e. The locally important coast live oak (*Quercus agrifolia*) occurs immediately to the northwest of the parcel. Grading is proposed to be limited to the ridgeline and is not expected to adversely affect these oaks.

SECTION D

MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE

Yes/Maybe

No

Based on the information contained within Sections B and C:

1. Does the project have the potential to significantly degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?
2. Does the project have the potential to achieve short-term, to the disadvantage of long-term, environmental goals? (A short-term impact on the environment is one which occurs in a relatively brief, definitive period of time while long-term impacts will endure well into the future).
3. Does the project have impacts which are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? (Several projects may have relatively small individual impacts on two or more resources, but the total of those impacts on the environment is significant).
4. Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?

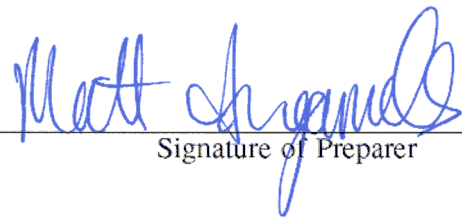
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SECTION E

DETERMINATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT

On the basis of this initial evaluation:

- ☒ I find the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION should be prepared.
- ☐ I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because the mitigation measure(s) described below will be applied to the project. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION should be prepared.
- ☐ I find the proposed project, individually and/or cumulatively MAY have a significant effect on the environment and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.



Signature of Preparer



Date