SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY INITIAL STUDY/NEGATIVE DECLARATION ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST FORM

This form and the descriptive information in the application package constitute the contents of initial Study pursuant to County Guidelines under Ordinance 3040 and Section 15063 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

PROJECT LABEL:

APNs: 0436-231-30

Applicant: Joseph E. Miller

17995 Outer Hwy 18 #1 Apple Valley, CA 92307

Project No: P201800500 (501, 502)

Staff: Anthony DeLuca, Contract Planner

Rep Joseph E. Miller- J. E. Miller and Associates

Proposal: TPM 19038 to create (4) 1.25-acre parcels from (1) 5-acre parcel located at 24281 Pala Lane Apple

5-acre parcel located at 24281 Pala Lane Apple Valley, CA 92307 and a Major Variance to allow for the encroachment of an existing garage into the east side setback.

USGS Quad: Apple Valley North

Lat/Long: 34°32'43.54"N, -117°8'4.56"W

T, R, Section: T05N R02W SEC. 6

Community Plan: None

LUZD: AV/RS-1

Overlays: Blotic - Burrowing Owl, Mojave

Ground Squirrel, and Desert

Tortoise

PROJECT CONTACT INFORMATION:

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Summary

Tentative Parcel Map (TPM) 19038 to create (4) 1.25-acre parcels from (1) 5-acre parcel located at 24281 Pala Lane, Apple Valley, CA 92307and a Major Variance to allow for the encroachment of an existing garage into the east side setback (Parcel 2, See Figure 6 Tentative Parcel Map). No grading or development is being proposed at this time. The property is assigned the Assessor Parcel Number: 0436-231-30.

Surrounding Land Uses and Setting

Land uses on the project site and surrounding parcels are governed by the San Bernardino County General Plan/Development Code. The following table lists the existing land uses and zoning districts. The property is in the Apple Valley Plan Area within the Town of Apple Valley Sphere of Influence. The site is zoned AV/RS-1 (Apple Valley Sphere of Influence/Single Residential 1-acre lot minimum, surrounded by property zoning of AV/RS-1 and AV/RL (Rural Living).

	Existing Land Use and Lar	nd Use Zoning Districts
Location	Existing Land Use	Land Use Zoning District
Project Site	Single Family Residence	AV/RS-1
North	(2) Single Family Residences	AV/RS-1
South	Single Family Residence	AV/RL
East	(2) Single Family Residences	AV/RS-1
West	Vacant	AV/RS-1

Project Site Location, Existing Site Land Uses and Conditions

The site is located at 24281 Pala Lane Apple Valley, California in the Town of Apple Valley Sphere of Influence. The project is located approximately 800 feet east of Japatul Road extending between Pala Road and Cahuilla Road in an unincorporated portion of the County of San Bernardino in the Desert Region near the Town of Apple Valley. The site contains an existing single family residence in the northeast corner of the property, identified as Parcel 2 on TPM 19038. Proposed Parcels 1, 3, and 4 are currently vacant See Figure 6 Tentative Parcel Map. The property is zoned Residential Single Family/1-acre minimum lot size per the County of San Bernardino Development Code. The project site is developed with a single-family residence, detached garage, two water tanks, and a water pump shed. The properties to the north, south, and east each developed with a single-family residence. The property to the west is vacant. The existing native desert vegetation includes approximately 12 locally protected Joshua Trees and other desert shrubs. The project site slopes approximately four percent to the southwest. There are no defined watercourses on the site. No significant topographic conditions exist on the site.

North property line

Site Photographs

Figure 1 Looking South onto Property



Figure 2 Looking East onto Property

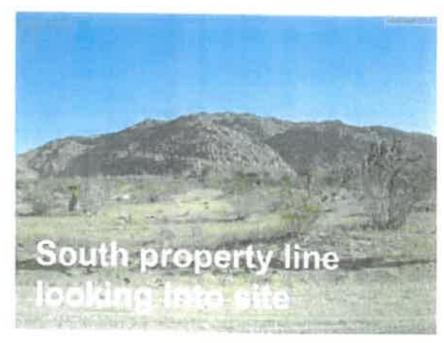


Figure 3 Looking North onto Property



Figure 4 Looking West onto Property



Figure 5 Project Vicinity Map

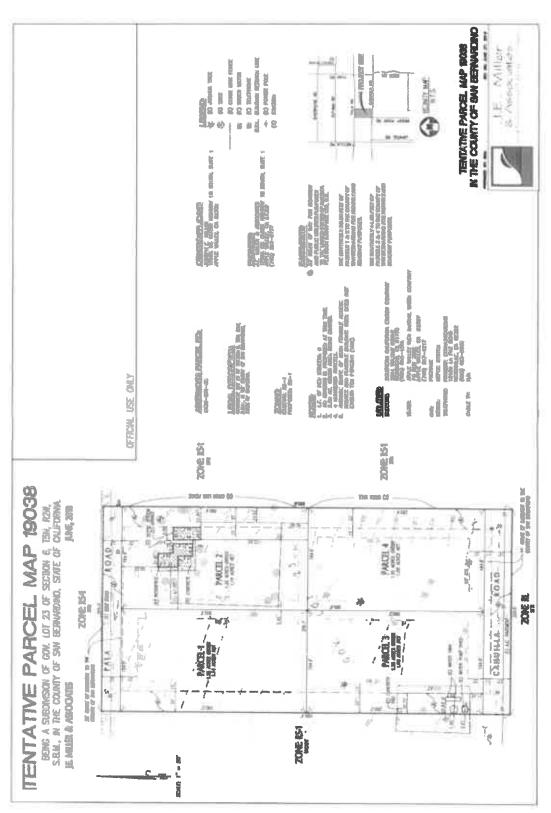


Figure 6 Tentative Parcel Map 19038

ADDITIONAL APPROVAL REQUIRED BY OTHER PUBLIC AGENCIES

Other public agencies whose approval may be required (e.g., permits, financing approval, or participation agreement.):

Federal: N/A

State of California: CA Fish & Wildlife, MDAQMD

County of San Bernardino: Land Use Services – Building and Safety, Traffic, Land Development Engineering – Roads/Drainage; Public Health – Environmental Health Services; Public Works,

Surveyor; and County Fire

Local: N/A

CONSULTATION WITH CALIFORNIA NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES

Have California Native American tribes traditionally and culturally affiliated with the project area requested consultation pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1? If so, has consultation begun? The required notification of affected tribes has occurred. Consultation was not requested at this time, however standard language regarding mitigation of inadvertent discovery of tribal cultural resources including human remains has been provided for future development on the site.

Note: Conducting consultation early in the CEQA process allows tribal governments, lead agencies, and project proponents to discuss the level of environmental review, identify and address potential adverse impacts to tribal cultural resources, and reduce the potential for delay and conflict in the environmental review process. (See Public Resources Code section 21083.3.2.) Information may also be available from the California Native American Heritage Commission's Sacred Lands File per Public Resources Code section 5097.96 and the California Historical Resources Information System administered by the California Office of Historic Preservation. Please also note that Public Resources Code section 21082.3(c) contains provisions specific to confidentiality.

EVALUATION FORMAT

This Initial Study is prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21000, et seq. and the State CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations Section 15000, et seq.). Specifically, the preparation of an Initial Study is guided by Section 15063 of the State CEQA Guidelines. This format of the study is presented as follows. The project is evaluated based on its effect on 18 major categories of environmental factors. Each factor is reviewed by responding to a series of questions regarding the impact of the project on each element of the overall factor. The Initial Study checklist provides a formatted analysis that provides a determination of the effect of the project on the factor and its elements. The effect of the project is categorized into one of the following four categories of possible determinations:

Potentially Significant impact	Less than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less than Significant	No Impact	
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Substantiation is then provided to justify each determination. One of the four following conclusions is then provided as a summary of the analysis for each of the major environmental factors.

- No Impact: No impacts are identified or anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.
- 2. Less than Significant Impact: No significant adverse impacts are identified or anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.
- Less than Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated: Possible significant adverse
 impacts have been identified or anticipated and the following mitigation measures are
 required as a condition of project approval to reduce these impacts to a level below
 significant. The required mitigation measures are: (List of mitigation measures)
- 4. Potentially Significant Impact: Significant adverse impacts have been identified or anticipated. An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is required to evaluate these impacts, which are (List of the impacts requiring analysis within the EIR).

At the end of the analysis the required mitigation measures are restated and categorized as being either self- monitoring or as requiring a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

The environmental factors checked below will be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

 		 - Name - Control
Aesthetics	Agriculture and Forestry Resources	Air Quality
Biological Resources	Cultural Resources	Geology / Soils
Greenhouse Gas Emissions	Hazards & Hazardous Materials	Hydrology / Water Quality
Land Use/ Planning	Mineral Resources	Noise
Population / Housing	Public Services	Recreation
Transportation / Traffic	Tribal Cultural Resources	Utilities / Service Systems
Mandatory Findings of Significance		

DETERMINATION: (To be completed by the Lead Agency)

On the basis of this initial evaluation, the following finding is made:

	The proposed project COULD NOT have a significant ef NEGATIVE DECLARATION shall be prepared.	fect on the environment, and a
	Although the proposed project could have a significant effect of be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECL	ject have been made by or agreed
	The proposed project MAY have a significant effect ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.	on the environment, and an
	The proposed project MAY have a "potentially significant imparmitigated" impact on the environment, but at least one effect 1 an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis as de ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must at to be addressed.) has been adequately analyzed in , and 2) has been addressed by scribed on attached sheets. An
	Although the proposed project could have a significant effect potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequate DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) pursuant to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing	ely in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE have been avoided or mitigated , including revisions or mitigation
Signa	ture (prepared by Anthony De Luca, Contract Planner) ture: (David Prusch, Supervising Planner)	12-6-2018 Date Date

	issues	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less than Significant	No Impact
I.	AESTHETICS - Will the project				
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?				\boxtimes
b)	Substantially damage scenic resources, including but not limited to trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?				
c)	Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?				
d)	Create a new source of substantial light or glare, which will adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?				\boxtimes
S	UBSTANTIATION: (Check if project is locate Route listed in the General a 2007; Submitted Project Ma	Plan): San			
a)	No Impact. The proposed project is located with sparsely developed with residential uses. The proposed from one (1) 5-acre parcels from one (1	roposed pr	oject is for t	he subdivi	sion of

- development being proposed with this application. Therefore the project will not have an impact on a scenic vista.
- No Impact. The site is not adjacent to a state scenic highway. There are no protected b) trees, rock outcroppings, or historic buildings on the project site; therefore, the proposed project would not substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to. trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings. As a Minor Subdivision of Land there will be no impact.
- c) No Impact. The proposed project would not substantially degrade the existing visual character of the site and its surroundings. The proposed project would allow for future single family residential development pursuant to the current zoning/land use designation of RS-1. The use is similar in scale and character as the existing residential uses surrounding the site. The conditions of approval will include requirements for future development to comply with all County Development Codes and ordinances. The current project would have no impact on the existing visual character and quality of the site and its surroundings.
- No Impact. The project does not propose any additional light-poles, or lighting. Any d) future proposed on site lighting must comply with the Glare and Outdoor Lighting requirements in the Desert Region, which includes shielding. The project would result In no impact relative to light and glare.

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	RESOURCES - In determining whether impacts to agricultural resources are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to the California Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Model (1997) prepared by the California Dept. of Conservation as an optional model to use in assessing Impacts on agriculture and farmland. In determining whether impacts to forest resources, including timberland, are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to information compiled by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection regarding the state's inventory of forest land, including the Forest and Range Assessment Project and the Forest Legacy Assessment project; and forest carbon measurement methodology provided in Forest Protocols adopted by the California Air Resources Board. Will the project:				
a)	Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland) as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?				\boxtimes
b)	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?				\boxtimes
c)	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))?				
d)	Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?				\boxtimes

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Θ)	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?				×
SU	JBSTANTIATION: (Check if project is located San Bernardino County Department of Conservation Program; Submitted Project	General n Farmian	Plan, 2 d Mapping	007; Cal	Ifornia
a)	No Impact. The California Department of Commonitoring Program, is responsible with mapping Farmland of Statewide Importance, and Farmland of Statewide Importance, and Farmlands the state. This site is designated as "Other as "Grazing" lands in the area. As proposed the non-agricultural use. There will be no impact.	ng Prime I lland of Le or" land sur	Farmland, Local Importerounded by	Inique Far ance (Far the same	mland, mland) as well
b)	No Impact. The proposed project would not conuse, or a Williamson Act contract. The proposed Act contract. There is no impact and no furthe expected.	l project ar	ea is not un	der a Willi	amson
c)	No Impact. The proposed project would not co rezoning of, forest land, timberland, or timberla proposed project area has never been designate the site is within the valley region which does no impact.	nd zoned ed as fores	Timberland t land or tim	Production berland be	n. The
d)	No Impact. The proposed project would not resu of forest land to non-forest use. The proposed puthe county and does not contain forested land analysis is warranted. There will be no impact.	roject site	is within the	e valley re	gion of
Θ)	No Impact. The proposed project would not environment which, due to their location or Farmland to non-agricultural use. The proposed lands. There is no impact and no further analysis	nature, co I project si	uld result to does not	in convers	ion of
	fore, no significant adverse impacts are identi ures are required.	fled or ar	ticipated a	nd no mit	igation
	Issues	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less than Significant	No Impact
111.	AIR QUALITY - Where available, the significance criteria established by the applicable air quality management or air pollution control district might be relied upon to make the following determinations. Will the project:				

a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?

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b)	Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?		\boxtimes
c)	Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?		
d)	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?		\boxtimes
Θ)	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?		\boxtimes
SU	BSTANTIATION: (Discuss conformity with the S Plan, if applicable): San Bern		

a) No Impact. A project is consistent with a regional Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) if it does not exceed the SCAQMD daily threshold or cause a significant impact on air quality, or if the project is already included in the AQMP projection. As proposed, the project will not be performing any ground disturbing activities or construction. There will be no impact.

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- b) No impact. The proposed project would not violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation. Air quality impacts include construction exhaust emissions generated from diesel and gasoline-powered construction equipment, vegetation clearing, grading, fugitive dust, construction worker commuting, construction material deliveries, and operational activities upon project completion. As proposed, the project will not engage in any of the aforementioned activities. There will be no impact.
- c) No Impact. As discussed in previous responses, there is no proposed grading or construction associated with this project. As such, the project would not exceed SCAQMD criteria pollutant emission thresholds. Cumulative emissions are part of the emission inventory included in the AQMP for the project area. Therefore, there would be no cumulatively considerable net increase of the criteria pollutants that are in nonattainment status in the South Coast Air Basin.
- d) No Impact. The proposed project would not expose sensitive receptors to any pollutant concentrations. No construction is proposed thus would not result in any air pollutant emissions.
- e) No Impact. The project does not contain land uses typically associated with emitting objectionable odors. As proposed potential odor sources associated with the project do not exist. Future development will be required to comply with all County Development Code and ordinances that aim to mitigate objectionable odors that may result from a specific land use. There will be no impact.

	issues		Potentially Significant Impact	Less then Significant with Mitigation incorporated	Less than Significant	No Impact
IV.	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCE	S - Will the project:	ستند	moorporated		
a)	Have substantial adverse or through habitat modification identified as a candidate, status species in local policies, or regulations, of Department of Fish and Wil Wildlife Service?	tions, on any species sensitive or special or regional plans, or by the California				
b)	Have a substantial adveriparian habitat or othe community identified in locations, and regulations of Department of Fish and Wildlife Service?	r sensitive natural al or regional plans, or by the California				
c)	Have a substantial advers protected wetlands as define the Clean Water Act (Inclusto, marsh, vernal pool, condirect removal, filling, hydror other means?	ned by Section 404 of dlng, but not limited astal, etc) through				
d)	Interfere substantially with to native resident or migrat species or with establishe migratory wildlife corridors, native wildlife nursery sites	ory fish or wildlife d native resident or or impede the use of				
Θ)	Conflict with any local po protecting biological resour preservation policy or ordin	rces, such as a tree				
f)	Conflict with the provision Habitat Conservation Plan, or other regional or state habitat conservation.	Natural Community ner approved local,				\boxtimes
	O. N	Check if project is loca r contains habitat fo latural Diversity Data reneral Plan, 2007; S	r any spe abase ⊠).	cles listed i	in the Cal nardino C	lfornia ounty

Survey for Desert Tortoise and Mojave Ground Squirrel Habitat Assessment, RCA Associates, Inc. and Phoenix Ecological Consulting on 03/16/2009, updated 2018

- a) Less than Significant Impact. The project site is within the historical range of Desert Tortoise Category 3 and Mohave Ground Squirrel. A Biological Survey was prepared by RCA Associates, Inc. and Phoenix Ecological Consulting. The report made the following conclusions:
 - The five acre property does not support any tortoises and no tortoise sign was
 identified during the survey on the site. Based on the small size of the site, the
 existing house on the northeast corner, past disturbance, and the presence of
 numerous houses, fences, etc. in the area, there is a very low probability of tortoises
 moving into the area from known populations twelve miles to the north.
 - The property does not support suitable habitat for the Mohave Ground Squirrel due to past disturbances, and future construction activities are not expected to Impact the species or result in the loss of habitat. Therefore it is the opinion of Phoenix Ecological Consultants that no mitigations should be required for the proposed project.
- b) Less than Significant Impact. This project will not have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service because no such habitat has been identified or is known to exist on the project site. There are no defined watercourses on the site.
- c) No Impact. This project will not have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means, because the project is not within an identified protected wetland. There are no defined watercourses on the site.
- d) No Impact. This project will not interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites, because there are no such corridors or nursery sites within or near the project site. The required building setbacks and maximum lot coverage requirements will allow for sufficient migration through the site.
- e) No Impact. The existing native desert vegetation includes approximately 12 locally protected Joshua Trees. All of the newly created parcels will meet the minimum lot size of one acre, per RS-1 Land Use District Development Standards, allowing ample buildable area without significantly impacting the Joshua Trees. This project will not conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance because all building permits require a preconstruction inspection to verify the location of Joshua Trees. Any removal must comply with the County's ordinance regarding tree protection (County Development Code Section 88.01.060), so there will be no impact in this area.
- f) No Impact. This project will not conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan, because no such plan has been adopted in the area of the project site. There will be no impact.

resources on the site.

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V.	CULTURAL RESOURCES - Will the project		Incorporated	a. 1	
a)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in §15064.5?				\boxtimes
b)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to §15064.5?				
c)	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?				\boxtimes
d)	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?				
SL	Check if the project is lo Resources overlays or control Bernardino County Government on Information Center, Submitted Project Materials	ite results eneral P System California	of cultural residen, 2007; (CHRIS), So	source revie Cultural H outh Centre	ew): Sa listorica al Coas
a)	No Impact. This project will not impact nor significance of an historical resource becaus any known historical resource, as defined in	se the pro	ject site is no		
b)	No Impact. This project will not cause archaeological resource because the San it this project and had no comment regarding defined by §15064.5	e a subs Bernardino	tantial adversor County Mus	eum was n	otified c
c)	No Impact. This project will not directly or resource or site or unique geologic feat	ure becau			

outside of formal cemeteries because no such burial grounds are known to exist or have been identified in the project area.

Museum was notified of this project and had no comment regarding paleontological

No Impact. This project will not disturb any human remains, including those interred

	Issues	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less then Significant	No Impaci
VI.	GEOLOGY AND SOILS - Will the project:		mod porated		
a)	Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:				
	i. Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist- Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map Issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.				
	ii. Strong seismic ground shaking?				\boxtimes
	iii. Seismic-related ground fallure, including liquefaction?				\boxtimes
	iv. Landslides?				\boxtimes
b)	Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoll?				\boxtimes
c)	Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on or off site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse?				
d)	Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the California Building Code (2001) creating substantial risks to life or property?				\boxtimes
е)	Have solls incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater?				
SU	BSTANTIATION: (Check if project is low District): San Bernardino (Project Materials				
a)	i-iv) No Impact. The project will not expose po				

earthquake fault, ii) strong seismic ground shaking, III) seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction or, iv) landslides, because there are no such geologic hazards identified in the immediate vicinity of the project site.

- b) No Impact. As proposed the project will not result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil because no development is proposed, erosion control plans and grading plans will be required to be submitted, approved, and implemented.
- c) No Impact. The project is not identified as being located on a geologic unit or soil that has been identified as being unstable or having the potential to result in on- or off- site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction, or collapse. The project is not located within a Geologic Hazards Overlay District and there is no development proposed at this time.
- d) No Impact. The project site is not located in an area that has been identified by the County Building and Safety Geologist as having the potential for expansive soils. The project is not located within a Geologic Hazards Overlay and there is no development proposed at this time.
- e) Less than Significant Impact. The County Environmental Health Services Department will require a percolation test prior to onsite wastewater treatment system installation. Therefore, no significant adverse impacts will arise.

Therefore, no significant adverse impacts are identified or anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.

	Issues	Potentially Significant Impact	Lesa than Significant with Mitigation incorporated	Less than Significant	No Impact
VII	GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS - Will the project:				
a)	Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?				\boxtimes
b)	Conflict with any applicable plan, policy or regulation of an agency adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?				

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a) No Impact. The County's Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Plan (GHG Plan) was adopted on December 6, 2011 and became effective on January 6, 2012. The GHG Plan establishes a GHG emissions reduction target for the year 2020 that is 15 percent below 2007 emissions. The plan is consistent with AB 32 and sets the County on a path to achieve more substantial long-term reductions in the post-2020 period. Achieving this level of emissions will ensure that the contribution to greenhouse gas emissions from activities covered by the GHG Plan will not be cumulatively considerable.

In 2007, the California State Legislature adopted Senate Bill 97 (SB97) requiring that the CEQA Guidelines be amended to include provisions addressing the effects and mitigation of GHG emissions. New CEQA Guidelines have been adopted that require: inclusion of a GHG analyses in CEQA documents; quantification of GHG emissions; a determination of significance for GHG emissions; and, adoption of feasible mitigation to address significant impacts.

The CEQA Guidelines [Cal. Code of Regulations Section 15083.5 (b)] also provide that the environmental analysis of specific projects may be tiered from a programmatic GHG plan that substantially lessens the cumulative effect of GHG emissions. If a public agency adopts such a programmatic GHG Plan, the environmental review of subsequent projects may be streamlined. A project's incremental contribution of GHG emissions will not be considered cumulatively significant if the project is consistent with the adopted GHG plan.

Implementation of the County's GHG Plan is achieved through the Development Review Process by applying appropriate reduction requirements to projects, which reduce GHG emissions. All new development is required to quantify the project's GHG emissions and adopt feasible mitigation to reduce project emissions below a level of significance. A review standard of 3,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (MTCO2e) per year is used to identify and mitigate project emissions.

No impact to greenhouse gas emissions will occur as this project is being proposed.

b) No Impact. The proposed project is not anticipated to conflict with any applicable plan, policy or regulation of an agency adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases. In January of 2012, the County of San Bernardino adopted a Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Plan (GHG Plan). The proposed project is consistent with the GHG Reduction Plan as described in Section a) above. There will be no impact.

	Issues	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less than Significant	No Impact
VIII	HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS - Will the project:				
a)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?				\boxtimes
b)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?				
c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?				\boxtimes
d)	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, will it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?				
е)	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 or public use airport, will the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, will the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				\boxtimes
g)	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				

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h)		tructures to a significant risk				\boxtimes
		eath involving wildland fires,				
		wildlands are adjacent to				
		or where residences are				
	intermixed with wild	dlands?				
S	UBSTANTIATION:	San Bernardino County G	eneral Plai	n, 2007; S	ubmitted i	Project
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- No Impact. The project will not create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials. because no use approved on the site is anticipated to be involved in such activities. If such uses are proposed on-site in the future, they will be subject to permit and inspection by the Hazardous Materials Division of the County Fire Department and In some instances additional land use review.
- No Impact. The project will not create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment, because any proposed use or construction activity that might use hazardous materials is subject to permit and Inspection by the Hazardous Materials Division of the County Fire Department.
- No Impact. The project uses will not emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school, because the project does not propose the use of hazardous materials and all existing and proposed schools are more than 1/4 mile away from the project site. The nearest school, Sycamore Rocks Elementary, is approximately one mile northwest of the project site.
- No Impact. The project site is not included on the San Bernardino County list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code 65962.5 and therefore, will not create a significant hazard to the public or environment.
- No Impact. The project site is not within the vicinity or approach/departure flight path of e) a public airport. The nearest public airport is Apple Valley Airport which is located approximately 3.75 miles northwest of the project site.
- No Impact. The project site is not within the vicinity or approach/departure flight path of f) a private airstrip. The nearest private airstrip is Hollday Ranch which is located 3.5 miles northeast of the project site.
- No Impact. The project will not impair Implementation of or physically interfere with an g) adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan, because the project has adequate access from two or more directions.
- No Impact. The project will not expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wild land fires, no development is proposed at this time. Any future construction must meet the requirements of the Fire Department and shall comply with the current Uniform Fire Code requirements and all applicable statutes, codes. ordinances and standards (such as use of specific building materials, fuel modification areas, building separations, etc.). These requirements are designed to reduce fire hazard risk to below a level of significance.

	Issues	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation	Less then Significant	No Impact
IX	HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY - Will the project:		Incorporated		
a)	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?				\boxtimes
b)	Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there will be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level, which will not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?				
c)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner that will result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or offsite?				\boxtimes
d)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which will result in flooding on- or offsite?				
e)	Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned storm water drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?				
f)	Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?				\boxtimes
g)	Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a Federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?				×
h)	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structure which would impede or redirect flood flows?				

SUBSTANTIATION: San Bernardino County General Plan, 2007; Submitted Project Materials

- a) No Impact. The project will not violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements because the on-site waste water treatment systems must be approved by the County Environmental Health Services based on requirements by the Lahontan Region Water Quality Control Board.
- b) No Impact. The project will not substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level, because the project is served by Apple Valley View Mutual Water Company, which has indicated that there is currently sufficient capacity in the existing water system to serve the anticipated needs of this project.
- c) No Impact. The project will not substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in erosion or siltation on or off-site, because the project does not propose any alteration to a drainage pattern, stream or river. There are no defined watercourses on the site.
- d) No Impact. The project will not substantially alter any existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on or off-site because the project does not propose any alteration to a drainage pattern, stream or river. There are no defined watercourses on the site.
- e) No Impact. The future development of single-family residences will not create or contribute runoff water that would exceed the capacity of existing or planned storm water drainage systems because the drainage of the residences will be handled by the natural drainage courses on the property. County Public Works has reviewed the proposed project drainage and has determined that the existing and proposed systems are adequate to handle anticipated flows. There will be adequate capacity in the local and regional drainage systems, so that downstream properties are not negatively impacted by any increases or changes in volume, velocity or direction of storm water flows originating from or altered by the project.
- f) **No Impact.** The project will not otherwise substantially degrade water quality, because appropriate measures relating to water quality protection, including erosion control measures will be required and implemented when the site is developed, although no development is proposed at this time.
- g) No Impact. The project will not place unprotected housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a Federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map because the project is not designated as being In a flood hazard area. The project site is in Zone D as designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). In areas designated as Zone D there are possible but undetermined flood

hazards. A Preliminary Drainage Study has been reviewed and approved by County Public Works — Land Development Engineering. A detailed drainage study is not required. The following note will be placed on the Composite Development Plan (CDP):

• "The site is in FEMA Zone <u>D</u>. Future Construction shall meet FEMA Requirements."

Therefore, there will be no potentially significant impact in this area.

- h) **No Impact.** The project will not place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows, because the site is not located within a 100-year flood hazard area.
- i) No Impact. The project will not expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam, because the project site is not within any identified path of a potential inundation flow that might result in the event of a dam or levee failure or that might occur from a river, stream, lake or sheet flow situation.
- j) No Impact. The project will not be Impacted by inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow, because the project is not adjacent to any body of water that has the potential of seiche or tsunami nor is the project site in the path of any potential mudflow.

Therefore, no significant adverse impacts are identified or anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.

	issues	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation	Less than Significant	No Impact
X.	LAND USE AND PLANNING - Will the project:		Incorporated		
a)	Physically divide an established community?				\boxtimes
b)	Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?				
c)	Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?				\boxtimes
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the project is a logical and orderly extension of the planned land uses and development that are established within the surrounding area. The proposed subdivision will create residential parcels that conform to the existing RS-1 land use district, which allows a

single-family residence on a minimum one-acre lot.

- b) No Impact. The project will not conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect because the project is consistent with all applicable land use policies and regulations of the County Development Code, and General Plan. A Major Variance has been concurrently filed to allow for an existing, permitted garage to encroach into the required 15 foot side yard building setback on parcel two. The project complies with all hazard protection, resource preservation, and land-use-modifying Overlay District regulations.
- c) No Impact. The project will not conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan, because there is no habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan within the area surrounding the project site and no habitat conservation lands are required to be purchased as mitigation for the proposed project.

Therefore, no significant adverse impacts are identified or anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.

XI.	issues MINERAL RESOURCES - Will the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less than Significant	No Impact
a)	Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that will be of value to the region and the residents of the state?				
b)	Result in the loss of availability of a locally important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?				
SUL	SSTANTIATION: (Check if project is located overlay): San Bernardino Control Project Materials				
a)	No Impact. The project will not result in the least resource that would be of value to the region at there are no identified important mineral resource lies within the Mineral Resources Zone (MRZ-known mineral deposits that may qualify as mine within these areas could result in the reclassification or the discovery of economic mineral deposition California Mineral Land Classification Systems	nd the rescession the 3a) Overland resource atlon of sponsidered to the 3a and	Idents of the project site. ay which incres. Further ecific localities have a measure on the	e state, be The proje dicates an exploration es Into the oderate po diagram	cause act site eas of n work MRZ- atential of the

knowledge of economic characteristics of the resources. An example of a MRZ-3a area would be where there is direct evidence of a surface exposure of a geologic unit, such as a limestone body, known to be or to contain a mineral resource elsewhere but has

not been sampled or tested at the current location. Based on the proposed activity related to this project there would be no impact.

b) No Impact. The project will not result in the loss of availability of a locally important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan. The project site lies within the Mineral Resources Zone (MRZ-3a) Overlay which indicates areas of known mineral deposits that may qualify as mineral resources but require further exploration. Given there is no grading or development being proposed on-site at this time there would be no impact.

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XII.	NOISE - Will the project result in:		nijor por groa		
a)	Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?				
b)	Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				
c)	A substantial permanent Increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				
d)	A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				
е)	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 or public use airport, will the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, will the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				
SU	JBSTANTIATION: (Check if the project is located or is subject to severe not				

Noise Element : San Bernardino County General Plan, 2007; Submitted Project Materials

- a) No Impact. The project as proposed will not expose persons to or generate noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies. The project is required to comply with the noise standards of the County Development Code and no noise exceeding these standards is anticipated to be generated by the proposed uses. An acoustical review sheet demonstrating that the County's exterior and interior residential noise standards will not be exceeded and if exceeded, the manner in which those levels will be mitigated to an acceptable level shall be submitted to County Environmental Health Services for review and approval prior to recordation.
- b) **No Impact.** The project will not create exposure of persons to or generation of excessive ground borne vibration or ground borne noise levels. The project is required to comply with the vibration standards of the County Development Code. No vibration exceeding these standards is anticipated to be generated by the proposed uses.
- c) No Impact. There is no grading, building or development proposed with this project. As such the project will not generate a substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing or allowed without the project. The project is required to comply with the noise standards of the County Development Code and no noise exceeding these standards is anticipated to be generated by the project. An acoustical review sheet demonstrating that the County's exterior and interior residential noise standards will not be exceeded and if exceeded, the manner in which those levels will be mitigated to an acceptable level shall be submitted to County Environmental Health Services for review and approval prior to recordation. Adherence to any mitigation measures resulting from the review shall reduce any potentially significant impacts to a level below significant.
- d) No Impact. The project will not generate a substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project because no development is proposed at this time. Future development of the proposed parcels may result in temporary or periodic noise increases associated with construction activities. These activities will be required to adhere to County Noise Standards including restricted days and hours of construction.
- e) **No Impact.** The project is not located within an airport land-use plan area or within two miles of a public/public use airport. The nearest public airport is Apple Valley Airport which is located approximately 3.75 miles northwest of the project site.
- f) **No Impact.** The project is not within the vicinity of a private airstrip. The nearest private airstrip is Holiday Ranch which is located 3.5 miles northeast of the project site.

	Issues	Potentially Significant impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation	Less than Significant	No Impact
XIII.	POPULATION AND HOUSING - Will the project:		incorporated		

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c)	Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				\boxtimes
b)	Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				
a)	Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?				
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- a) Less than Significant Impact. The project will not induce substantial population growth in an area either directly or indirectly. The proposed four parcels will generate approximately 11 new residents at final build-out, which is not in development or proposed at this time.
- b) **No Impact.** The proposed use will not displace any housing units, necessitating the construction of replacement housing because no housing units are proposed to be demolished as a result of this proposal.
- c) No impact. The proposed use will not displace any people necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere, because the project will not displace any existing housing or existing residents.

Therefore, no significant adverse impacts are identified or anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.

	issues	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less than Significant	No Impact
XIV.	PUBLIC SERVICES				

a) Will the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services:

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a) Less than Significant Impact. This project will not increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated. Any future impacts

from development on the newly created parcels will be minimal because only approximately 11 new residents will be generated at final build-out.

b) Less than Significant Impact. This project does not include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities that might have an adverse physical effect on the environment, because the type of project proposed will not result in an increased demand for recreational facilities. No development of new parkland is required per the County General Plan because of the insignificant number of additional future home sites proposed.

	issues	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation incorporated	Less than Significant	No Impact
XVI.	TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC – Will the project:		mod por ziesa		
a)	Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and greenways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit.				
b)	Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways.				
c)	Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?				
d)	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous Intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?				
ө)	Result in inadequate emergency access?		П		\boxtimes

f)	Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or		\boxtimes
	programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities?		 24000

SUBSTANTIATION: San Bernardino County General Plan, 2007; Submitted Project Materials

- a) No Impact. The future development of four parcels will not cause a substantial increase in traffic. Local roads are currently operating at a level of service at or above the standard established by the County General Plan. The property is located within the Southeast Apple Valley Transportation Facilities Plan as well as the Regional Transportation Facilities Fee Plan for the Apple Valley Sphere of Influence. Developers of future residences will be required to contribute to that plan before building permits are issued. Fees collected by the plans are used for road improvements and maintenance within the plan area.
- b) No Impact. The project will not exceed, either individually or cumulatively, a level of service [LOS] standard established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways. County Public Works Traffic Division has reviewed the traffic generation of the proposed project and anticipates that traffic service will remain at an LOS of "C" or better, as required by the County General Plan.
- c) No Impact. The project will not result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks. There are no airports in the vicinity of the project and there is no anticipated notable impact on air traffic volumes by passengers or freight generated by the proposed use. The nearest airport is Holiday Ranch which is located 3.5 miles northeast of the project site.
- d) No Impact. The project will not substantially increase hazards due to a design feature or incompatible uses because the project site is adjacent to an established road that is accessed at points with good site distance and properly controlled intersections. There are no incompatible uses proposed by the project that will impact surrounding land uses.
- No Impact. The Project will not result in inadequate emergency access, because the site is adjacent to public roads, and proposes sufficient access to address public safety concerns
- f) No Impact. The project will not conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs supporting alternative transportation (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks) because this is a minor subdivision to create four parcels for residential purposes only, therefore this project will have no impact on alternative methods of transportation. The Victor Valley Transit Authority provides services in the general area.

	Issues	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation incorporated	Less than Significant	No Impact
XVII.	TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES - Will the project:				
a)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource, defined in Public Resources Code section 21074 as either a site, feature, place, cultural landscape that is geographically defined in terms of the size and scope of the landscape, sacred place, or object with cultural value to a California Native American tribe, and that is?				
	i) Listed or eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources, or in a local register of historical resources as defined in Public Resources Code section 5020.1(k), or?				
	II) A resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resources Code Section 5024.1. In applying the criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resource Code Section 5024.1, the lead agency shall consider the significance of the resource to a California Native American tribe?				

Assembly Bill (AB) 52 took effect on July 1, 2015. AB 52 requires a lead agency to make best efforts to avoid, preserve, and protect tribal cultural resources.

Conducting consultation early in the CEQA process allows tribal governments, lead agencies, and project proponents to discuss the level of environmental review, identify and address potential adverse impacts to tribal cultural resources, and reduce the potential for delay and conflict in the environmental review process. (See Public Resources Code section 21083.3.2.) Information may also be available from the California Native American Heritage Commission's Sacred Lands File per Public Resources Code section 5097.96 and the California Historical Resources Information System administered by the California Office of Historic Preservation. Public Resources Code section 21082.3(c) also contains provisions specific to confidentiality.

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Prior to the release of the CEQA document for a project, AB 52 requires the lead agency to initiate consultation with a California Native American tribe that is traditionally and culturally affiliated with the geographic area of the proposed project if: (1) the California Native American tribe requested the lead agency, in writing, to be informed by the lead agency through formal notification of proposed project in the geographic area that is traditionally and through formal notification of proposed projects in the geographic area that is traditionally and culturally affiliated with the tribe, and (2) the California Native American tribe responds, in writing, within 30 days of receipt of the formal notification, and requests the consultation.

Tribal consultation request letters were sent to the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians, Morongo Band of Mission Indians, Colorado River Indian Tribes, and Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians. The San Manuel, and Morongo tribes indicated that this project is within their ancestral tribal land but had no comments for the presently proposed lot subdivision. Formal consultation was not requested however, concerns for the inadvertent discovery of human remains and other archaeological/cultural resources on-site were communicated. Standard language was provided for future development that may take place once the lots are sold, and asked that that language be included in the final conditions of approval for the project. The Colorado River and Twenty-Nine Palms Band tribes did not respond to the County's consultation letters.

- a) i) No Impact. According to the South Central Coast Information Center, California Historical Resources Information System records search, there were no listed or eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources, or in a local register of historical resources as defined in Public Resources Code section 5020.1(k) within the project area.
 - ii) No Impact. The project proponent shall consider the significance of any possible resource to a California Native American tribe. With required mitigation and monitoring requested by tribes with ancestral interest in the project area, the impact will be reduced to a less than significant level.

No significant adverse impacts are identified or anticipated and no mitigation measures are required at this time. Tribal comments received include protocol, and procedures in the event human remains or other cultural resources are discovered once the properties are sold and subsequently developed. These comments are incorporated into the projects final conditions of approval prior to recordation of the Tentative Parcel Map.

XVIII.	UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS - Will the project:	Potentially Significant impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less than Significant	No Impact
a)	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?				\boxtimes
b)	Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the				\boxtimes

	construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				
c)	Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				
d)	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded, entitlements needed?				
9)	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider, which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?				
f)	Be served by a landfill(s) with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?				
g)	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?				
SU	BSTANTIATION: County of San Bernardino (Materials	Beneral P	ian 2007; Su	bmitted F	Project
a)	a) No Impact. The proposed project does not exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region, as determined by County				
Public Health – Environmental Health Services. No Impact. The proposed project will not require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities. There is no wastewater treatment provider serving the project area. Onsite wastewater treatment systems will serve future residences. These onsite wastewater treatment systems, as well as the existing system, must be approved by the County Environmental Health Services based on requirements by the Lahontan Region Water Quality Control Board; therefore there will be no impact in this area. The proposed project will have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, as Apple Valley View Mutual Water Company has given assurance that it has adequate water service capacity to serve the projected demand for the project, in addition to the provider's existing commitments.					
c)					

- drainage caused by the project. All future residential construction must meet the requirements from the County Public Works, Land Development Division (Roads/Drainage). There are no defined watercourses on the site.
- d) **No Impact.** The proposed project will have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, as Apple Valley View Mutual Water Company has given assurance that it has adequate water service capacity to serve the projected demand for the project, in addition to the provider's existing commitments.
- e) No Impact. There is no wastewater treatment provider serving the project area. Onsite wastewater treatment systems will serve future residences. These onsite waste water treatment systems, as well as the existing system, must be approved by the County Environmental Health Services based on requirements by the Lahontan Region Water Quality Control Board.
- f) No Impact. The proposed project is served by the Victorville Sanitary Landfill via the Phelan (Sheep Creek) Transfer Station, which has sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the proposed project's future solid waste disposal needs.
- g) **No Impact.** The proposed project is required to comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste.

	issues	Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Significant with Mitigation incorporated	Less then Significant	No Impact
XIX.	MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE:				
a)	Does the project have the potential to 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?				
b)	Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?				

c)	Does the project have environmental effects,		
	which would cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?	1	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,

No Impact. As a Minor Subdivision with no proposed grading or development, the project is not expected to have the potential to significantly degrade the overall quality of the region's environment, or substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population or 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.

There are no identified historic or prehistoric resources identified on this site. No archaeological or paleontological resources have been identified in the project area.

The existing native desert vegetation includes approximately 12 locally protected Joshua Trees. All of the newly created parcels will meet the minimum lot size of one acre, per RS-1 Land Use District Development Standards, allowing ample buildable area without significantly impacting the Joshua Trees. This project will not conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance because all building permits require a pre-construction inspection to verify the location of Joshua Trees. Any removal must comply with the County's ordinance regarding tree protection (County Development Code Section 88.01.060), so there will be no impact in this area.

The project site is within the historical range of Desert Tortoise Category 3 and Mohave Ground Squirrel. A Biological Survey was prepared by RCA Associates, Inc. and Phoenix Ecological Group on 03/16/2009. The report made the following conclusions:

The five acre property does not support any tortoises and no tortoise sign was identified during the survey on the site. Based on the small size of the site, the existing house on the northeast corner, past disturbance, and the presence of numerous houses, fences, etc. in the area, there is a very low probability of tortoises moving into the area from known populations twelve miles to the north.

The property does not support suitable habitat for the Mohave Ground Squirrel due to past disturbances, and future construction activities are not expected to impact the species or result in the loss of habitat. Therefore it is the opinion of Phoenix Ecological Consultants that no mitigations should be required for the proposed project.

- b) No Impact. The project does not have Impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable. The sites of projects in the area to which this project would add cumulative impacts have either existing or planned infrastructure that is sufficient for all planned uses. These sites either are occupied or are capable of absorbing such uses without generating any cumulatively significant impacts.
- c) No Impact. The project will not have environmental effects that will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly, as there are no such impacts identified by the studies conducted for this project or identified by review of other sources or by other agencies.

All potential impacts have been thoroughly evaluated and have been deemed to be neither individually significant nor cumulatively considerable in terms of any adverse effects upon the region, the local community or its inhabitants. At a minimum, the project will be required to meet the conditions of approval for the project to be implemented. It

is anticipated that all such conditions of approval will further insure that no potential for adverse impacts will be introduced by construction activities, initial or future land uses authorized by the project approval.

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PROJECT-SPECIFIC REFERENCES

South Central Coast Information Center, California State University, Fullerton

Focused Survey for Desert Tortoise and Mojave Ground Squirrel Habitat Assessment, RCA Associates, Inc. and Phoenix Ecological Consulting on 03/16/2009, updated 2018

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To:		Street Address: 1400 Tenth St., Rm 113	From: Public Agency: San Bernardino County, LUSD Address: 385 North Arrowhead Ave. First Floor San Bernardino, CA 92415-0187 Contact: Anthony De Luca
×	Clerk of the Board County of: San Bernardino Address: 385 North Arrowhea San Bernardino. CA 92415-013		Phone: 909-387-3067 Lead Agency (if different from above): Address:
	BJECT: Filing of Notice of L sources Code.	Petermination in complic	Phone:
Sta	te Clearinghouse Number (if	submitted to State Clearli	nghouse): 2018xxxxxx
Pro	ject Title: <u>Tentative Parcel M</u>	lap (19038)	
Pro	ject Applicant: Joseph E. Mil	ler	
			Valley, CA, San Bernardino County
	lect Description; ntative Parcel Map (TPM 1903	38) request to subdivide o	ne (1) 5-acre parcel into four (4) 1.25-acre parcel
Thi	s is to advise that the	San Bernardino County	has approved the
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abo	eve described project on Nov	ember 30, 2018a	nd has made the following determinations.
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	385 N. Arrowhead Ave., San	Bernardino, CA 92415	
Sig	nature (Public Agency):	Heldl Duron	Title: _Planning Director
Dat	e: <u>11/30/2018</u>		ived for filing at OPR:

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference Section 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.

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