July 6, 2018

TO: Interested Persons

FROM: Scott Johnson, Associate Planner

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY-DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE AZORES SUBDIVISION PROJECT (P14-030) (SCH #2015102061)

PROJECT LOCATION: The proposed Project is located at 7446 Pocket Road in an area of Sacramento referred to as the “Pocket.” The approximately 3.46-acre site consists of APN: 031-0030-001-0000. The site is on the west side of Pocket Road across from Nasca Way and immediately east of the Sacramento River and an associated levee. North of the project site is a single-family residential neighborhood situated on a cul-de-sac similar to that proposed for the project. South of the site is a private elementary school facility. Additional single-family residences fronting Pocket Road are located east of the site.

COMMENT PERIOD: July 12, 2018 to August 27, 2018 (Comment period ends - 5:00 p.m. Monday, August 27, 2018).

As Lead Agency, the City of Sacramento has completed the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed Project. The document is now available for public review and written comment at the Community Development Department, 300 Richards Boulevard, Third Floor, Sacramento, California 95811, between 9:00am and 4:00pm (except weekends and holidays). An electronic copy of the document is available for review at the downtown Central Library (828 I St.). The document is available online at the City’s Community Development Department, environmental documents webpage at the following link:

http://www.cityofsacramento.org/Community-Development/Planning/Environmental/Impact-Reports

The project proposes a Rezone to change the zoning of the project site from its current designation of A (Agriculture Zone) to R-1 (Standard Single-Family Zone). The proposed Tentative Subdivision Map would divide the site into seven single-family residential lots for future development and a 0.44-acre open space parcel. The project site is designated Suburban Neighborhood Low Density in the 2035 General Plan. The project site would be accessed from Pocket Road, which is a four-lane divided roadway in the vicinity of the project site. A 50-foot left turn pocket would be created on northbound Pocket Road to provide access to the site. The project would connect to existing water, sewer, and drainage infrastructure located within Pocket Road.

The Draft EIR (SCH# 2015102061) has been prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970 (Public Resources Code [PRC] Section 21000, et seq.) and the State CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15000, et seq.) to disclose the potential environmental consequences of implementing the proposed Project.

An initial study was prepared to evaluate the resources and environmental consequences of the project. The Draft EIR includes discussion of cultural and tribal cultural resources, and other relevant CEQA considerations. Mitigation is included in the Draft EIR to reduce impacts to biological resources to less-than-significant levels. Mitigation is included in the Draft EIR to reduce impacts to cultural and tribal cultural resources; however, impacts to these resources remains significant after mitigation.
The Draft EIR is being circulated for a 45-day public review period from July 12, 2018 to August 27, 2018. Written comments regarding the Draft EIR should be received by Environmental Planning Services NO LATER THAN 5:00 pm, Monday, August 27, 2018 (note: public counter hours are 9:00am and 4:00pm (except weekends and holidays)).

Written comments should be submitted to:

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If you have any questions concerning the project environmental review process, please contact Scott Johnson at (916) 808-5842.

Thank you.