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SCH #: 2015022062

Project Title: Aspen VIII & IX Use Permit Amendment SEIR

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Project Location: Vineyard (*City*) Sacramento County (*County*)

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

Teichert (Applicant) is requesting to amend its existing use permit and reclamation plan for the Aspen VIII and IX Project (PLNP2014-00201) to expand mining of aggregate material (sand and gravel) to 245.6 acres of unmined areas adjacent to the approved mine site in the northwest corner of Aspen VIII and south of Elder Creek on Aspen IX. As a part of the expansion, Teichert is proposing to extend its existing electric conveyor belt system over Elder Creek to transport aggregate materials from Aspen IX South back to the Perkins processing facility.
The expansion of mining to areas adjacent to Aspen VIII and IX would include amendments to the existing Mining Use Permit, Reclamation Plan, and Development Agreements for Aspen VIII and IX.
The Project would also include amendments to several conditions of approval on the Use Permit that are necessary to incorporate the expanded mine areas.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Impacts to Aesthetics, Agricultural Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology, Soils, and Mineral Resources, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Noise, and Tribal Cultural Resources.
For Aesthetics screening will be used which would include landscaping and berms; however, impacts would remain significant and unavoidable. * Impacts to agricultural resources would be from the conversion of farmland, and measures to protect other farmland would mitigate the impact but not to a less than significant level. * For Air Quality impacts to net increase in operational emissions, adopted mitigation to implement Best Available Control Technology (BACT) and Best Management Practices (BMPs) to reduce PM Emissions; however, impacts would remain significant and unavoidable. * Impacts to Biological Resources would be mitigated to less than significant levels by implementing measures to protect nesting birds; implementing the AMM requirements of the South Sacramento Habitat Conservation Plan mitigates for impacts to streams and covered species, including burrowing owls, Crotch's bumble bee, monarch butterfly and Pallid bat, as well as protection of wetlands and trees. * Impacts to Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources were mitigated with implementation of protocols in the case of unanticipated discoveries of resources. * Impacts to Geology were mitigated with the measure addressing reclamation of slopes and berms. * For Hazards/Hazardous Materials, measures for the transport, use or disposal of hazardous materials reduce the impacts to less than significant levels. * Lastly, noise mitigation measure via the use of noise barriers will reduce impacts to less than significant.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

The following were requests for analysis in response to the Notice of Preparation (NOP):
1) Requests to assess the potential for visual conflicts between the proposed project and future land uses proposed under the West Jackson Highway Master Plan.
2) Evaluate potential conflicts between air quality emissions generated by the proposed project and future West Jackson Highway Master Plan land uses.
3) Requests to evaluate consistency with the Sacramento County (County) General Plan and to ensure the development of a multi-use trail system along the future Vineyard Road expansion and the Elder Creek corridor.
4) Comments related to tribal cultural resources received in response to the NOP outlined the obligations under CEQA for consultation with tribes in accordance with AB 52.

However, these were requests for analysis to be done within the document and are not considered areas of controversy.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

- US Army Corps of Engineers,
- California Department of Fish and Wildlife,
- California Department of Conservation, Division of Mine Reclamation,
- Regional Water Quality Control Board - Central Valley Region,
- Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District, and
- Sacramento Municipal Utility District.