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PROJECT TITLE INFINITY FARMS AMEND2025-00001

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME INFINITY FARMS, INC.	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL ian@kirk-consulting.net	PHONE NUMBER (805) 461-5765
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PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 8330 MORRO ROAD	CITY ATASCADERO	STATE CA	ZIP CODE 93422
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PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency
 School District
 Other Special District
 State Agency
 Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,227.50	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$3,043.75	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,437.25	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee		
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<input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)		
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COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & BUILDING
NEGATIVE DECLARATION ADDENDUM

PLN-2041
02/14/2020

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION NO. ED25-109

DATE: October 30, 2025
PROJECT/ENTITLEMENT: Infinity Farms AMEND2025-00001
APPLICANT NAME: Infinity Farms, Inc.
CONTACT PERSON: Ian McCarville
ADDRESS: 8330 Morro Road, Atascadero, CA 93422
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TELEPHONE: (805) 461-5765

PROPOSED USES/INTENT: A request by Infinity Farms, Inc. for an Amendment to Minor Use Permit DRC2018-00016 (3-acre outdoor cannabis cultivation site, 2,208 square feet of ancillary processing space, security facilities, and pesticide storage, and a maximum of 21,600 square feet of indoor cannabis cultivation) to allow for an increase in annual water demand, a revision to the employee count, and an expansion of the outdoor cultivation area to allow for the use of hoop house structures and walkways. The proposed project is within the Agricultural Land Use Category and is located at 630 El Pomar Drive, approximately 1.5 miles east of Highway 101 in the community of Templeton. The site is in the El Pomar-Estrella Sub Area of the North County Planning Area.

LOCATION: The project is located at 630 El Pomar Drive, within the community of Templeton. The site is within North County Planning Area. APN: 033-231-026.

LEAD AGENCY: **County of San Luis Obispo**
Dept of Planning & Building
976 Osos Street, Rm. 300
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408-2040
Website: <http://www.sloplanning.org>

Findings: Per State CEQA Guidelines (Sec. 15164(a), Sec. 15162), the Lead Agency may prepare an addendum to an adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration where all of the following apply: 1) only minor technical changes or additions are necessary; 2) no substantial changes have been made or occurred that would require major revisions to the Mitigated Negative Declaration due to either new significant effects or substantial increases in the severity of previously identified significant effects; 3) substantial changes have not occurred with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken; 4) no new information of substantial importance which was not known or could not have been known at the time of the adopted Mitigated Negative

Declaration.

Based on staff's determination that all the above conditions apply, an addendum to the adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration is appropriate. The basis for this conclusion is described in the following section. In addition, please refer to the original Mitigated Negative Declaration for further discussion about all potentially significant issues originally identified for the proposed project.

Basis for Addendum: The previously adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) (ED19-265 / State Clearinghouse No. 2020040308) prepared for the project (DRC2018-00016) identified potentially significant impacts to Aesthetics, Agriculture and Forestry Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Energy, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Noise, and Wildfire.

The project site is located in the El Pomar-Estrella Sub Area of the North County Planning Area. The commercial cannabis project consists of three acres of outdoor cannabis cultivation area and associated site security measures. The phased project (DRC2020-00205) allows for the development of six new 5,000-gallon water storage tanks, eight new 300-watt solar panels with battery storage located within a 248 square foot pesticide, tool, and security equipment storage shed with an ADA bathroom including path of travel and septic, installation of security monitoring equipment and 6-foot security fencing, installation of landscape screening, the use of a diesel fuel generator for no more than 1 hour per day, and the ancillary transport of cannabis grown on-site for Phase 1.a. The construction of two 980 square foot processing buildings and associated paths of travel, the installation of a 40,000-gallon fire suppression storage tank or three 15,000-gallon water storage tanks, installation of one draft hydrant, and 3-phase power for Phase 1.b. The construction of 5 greenhouses for indoor cultivation totaling 21,600 square feet, installation of an access road, draft hydrant, and security fencing to support the indoor cultivation for Phase 2. The project also allows for up to two full-time employees, and up to five seasonal employees.

The project is located on an approximately 94.14-acre parcel at 630 El Pomar Drive, east of the community of Templeton.

Since circulation of the MND, the applicant is proposing modifications to the Conditions of Approval for this project to allow for the usage of up to 7 acre-feet per year (AFY) of water, an increase of 5.11 AFY over the originally approved project. The applicant is additionally proposing a revision to the employee count to allow for up to 5 full-time employees and 30 seasonal employees, an expansion of the cultivation area from 3 acres to 3.16 acres, and the installation of hoop house structures within the outdoor cultivation area.

A summary of the project changes is outlined below in Table 1:

Table 1 – Comparison of Original Project and Amended Project

Project Component	Original Project	Amended Project
Water Usage	1.89 AFY	7 AFY
Employee Count	2 Full Time, 5 Seasonal	5 Full Time, 30 Seasonal
Cultivation Area	3-acres inclusive of walkways	3.16-acres inclusive of walkways
Hoop House Structures	None	72 above outdoor cultivation area

As shown in Table 1, the applicant is requesting a modification to the maximum annual water usage, a revision to the employee count, an expansion of the cultivation area, and the installation of hoop house structures.

Pursuant to Section 15162 of the State CEQA Guidelines, when a lead agency has adopted an IS/MND for a project, a subsequent IS/MND does not need to be prepared for the project unless the lead agency determines that one or more of the following conditions are met:

1. Substantial project changes are proposed that will require major revisions of the previous IS/MND due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects;
2. Substantial changes occur with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken which will require major revisions of the previous EIR or Negative Declaration due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects; or
3. New information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the previous EIR was certified as complete or the Negative Declaration was adopted, shows any of the following:
 - a. The project will have one or more significant effects not discussed in the previous EIR or negative declaration;
 - b. Significant effects previously examined will be substantially more severe than shown in the previous EIR;
 - c. Mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible, and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative; or
 - d. Mitigation measures or alternatives which are considerably different from those analyzed in the previous EIR would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative.

Pursuant to Section 15164 of the State CEQA Guidelines, preparation of an Addendum to an IS/MND is appropriate when none of the conditions specified in Section 15162 (above) are present and some minor technical changes to the previously adopted IS/MND are necessary. The proposed project would not result in increased construction or new development beyond what was previously analyzed in the adopted MND. The proposed project would not amend or modify the previously approved Minor Use Permit, which is considered vested and not part of the proposed project.

An Addendum to the MND has been prepared to assess the proposed modifications. All information presented is a determination of consistency with the approved MND, or helps to clarify, amplify, or make insignificant minor technical modifications to the MND. As discussed in the following sections, the new information is not considered “significant” pursuant to CEQA, and circulation or preparation of a new formal environmental document is not required. A discussion on issue areas previously identified within the adopted MND is included below.

A summary of the relevant environmental issues:

The following analysis examines the environmental issues that were previously analyzed in the adopted MND and determines if the proposed project will create any new significant impacts or increases the severity of an environmental impact as identified in the adopted MND. Provided below is an assessment of how the proposed project affects the conclusions of each respective environmental issue analyzed in the MND.

Hydrology and Water Quality: The project’s estimated water use for all cannabis activities would increase from 1.89 AFY to 7 AFY, which is based on the applicant’s experience in cannabis cultivation on the project site and is similar to the water demand of multiple similar projects in the County of San Luis Obispo, providing a better understanding of the irrigation requirements for cannabis cultivation. The project site is located within the Atascadero Groundwater Basin, which is not an impacted groundwater basin and the project is not required to offset water demand per Section 22.40.050.D.5.

The original project MND determined that the on-site well that would support the operation was capable of supplying the original proposed water demand of 1.89 AFY and would not result in a substantial decrease of groundwater supplies or interfere with groundwater recharge, and the impacts were found to be less than significant.

Due to the proposed increase of 5.11 AFY, an analysis of the potential impact to adjacent wells caused by the increased pumping of the on-site well was conducted by a hydrogeologist. The performance of the on-site well was found to be sufficient to support the proposed 7 AFY of the revised project and the proposed increase in pumping was found to not cause any significant impact to water levels in neighboring wells; therefore, impacts related to hydrology and water quality would be *less than significant*.

Aesthetics: The existing project MND considered potential impacts to the aesthetics of the surrounding area and identified mitigation measures to reduce the severity of those potential impacts to a less than significant level. The MND specifically considered whether the project, in a non-urbanized area, would substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of public views of the site and its surroundings. Mitigation measures were developed considering the full project scope, including the currently undeveloped Phase 2 indoor cultivation greenhouses. Mitigation measures AES-1, AES-2, AES-3, and AES-4 require the implementation and ongoing maintenance of a landscape screening plan to provide adequate visual screening for Phases 1.a, 1.b, and 2 of the project site. Although the project site was not initially developed with hoop house structures, the existing mitigation measures provide for a landscape screening plan which sufficiently reduces potentially significant impacts to visual resources and already considers the inherently higher level of development associated with the full project scope; therefore, impacts related to aesthetics or visual

resources would be *less than significant*.

Air Quality: The existing project MND considered potential impacts to air quality associated with grading, construction, and site operations for the full project scope and identified mitigation measures to reduce the severity of those potential impacts to a less than significant level. The proposed project changes would not result in any new grading, construction activities, or additional cultivation canopy. The existing project MND additionally found that the operational emissions associated with employee vehicle trips would not exceed identified operational thresholds and that operational emissions were less than significant.

A trip generation and VMT analysis was prepared by Orosz Engineering Group (OEG) to evaluate the impact of the 3 new full-time employees and the 25 new seasonal employees. The revised employee count was found to generate a net increase of 7 new average daily trips (ADT). Based on the size and scope of existing and proposed operations, the total new ADT of 19 would not result in the total project operations to exceed the operational thresholds for general light industry in Table 1-1 of the 2023 Administrative Update to the San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District's 2012 CEQA Air Quality Handbook; therefore, impacts related to air quality would be *less than significant*.

Transportation: The existing project MND found that the project was expected to generate 12 ADT based on a Traffic Study prepared by Associated Transportation Engineers (ATE) in 2018. At the time of preparation of the existing project MND, the expected ADT generated by the project were found to be similar to those generated by the surrounding uses and it was determined that the project would not conflict with an established measure of effectiveness for the performance of a circulation system or conflict with a program plan, ordinance, or policy addressing the circulation system, and potential impacts would be less than significant.

The trip generation and VMT analysis prepared by OEG and discussed under Air Quality found that the additional ADT generated by the proposed revisions to the project would not reach measurable thresholds to require a VMT mitigation analysis. Further, the project would be subject to applicable Road Improvement Fees and public facility fees to offset the relative impacts on surrounding roadways; therefore, impacts related to transportation would be *less than significant*.

Other CEQA Issues Considered

County staff also considered issue areas such as Agriculture and Forestry, Biological Resources, Energy, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Noise, and Wildfire and determined that impacts to these issue areas are *less than significant* as the overall operational characteristics and proposed development will not substantially change from the previously examined project. County staff considered potential impacts that the proposed project revisions may have on other environmental issues and determined that the scope of the impacts do not go beyond what has been previously studied.

Conclusion

The Environmental Coordinator, after review of the previously-prepared MND finds that: there are no substantial changes proposed for the project which would require substantial revisions of the previous MND; no substantial changes have occurred with respect to the circumstance under which the project is undertaken; no substantially different mitigation measures are necessary to reduce potential environmental impacts; and no new information of substantial importance has been identified which was not known at the time that the previous MND was adopted. Therefore, recirculation of the previously adopted MND is not required.

Additional Information: Additional information pertaining to this environmental determination may be obtained by contacting the Lead Agency at the above address or telephone number.

Notice of Determination		State Clearinghouse No. <u>2020040308</u>	
This is to advise that the San Luis Obispo County Planning Commission as <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Lead Agency</i> <i>Responsible Agency</i> approved the above described project on January 19, 2026, and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:			
The project will not have a significant effect on the environment. A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. Mitigation measures and monitoring were made a condition of approval of the project. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.			
This is to certify that the Negative Declaration with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the General Public at the 'Lead Agency' address above.			
<i>Nicholas Burgnon</i> Nicholas Burgnon (nburgnon@co.slo.ca.us) 10/30/25 County of San Luis Obispo			
Signature	Project Manager Name	Date	Public Agency