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Project Title: County of Santa Clara Rural Zoning Amendments and Agricultural Impact Threshold

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City: San Jose Zip: 95110 County: Santa Clara

Project Location: County: Santa Clara City/Nearest Community: Countywide

Cross Streets: Countywide Zip Code: N/A

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds)*: 37° 17' 49" N / 121° 43' 10" W Total Acres: 603,395 Acres (unincorporated County area)

Assessor's Parcel No.: Multiple Section: _____ Twp.: _____ Range: _____ Base: _____

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: I-880, I-680, I-280, US-101, SR-17, SR-87, SR-152 Waterways: _____

Airports: _____ Railways: Caltrain, Union Pacific Schools: _____

* Required field

Document Type:

CEQA: <input type="checkbox"/> NOP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Draft EIR	NEPA: <input type="checkbox"/> NOI	Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Joint Document
<input type="checkbox"/> Early Cons	<input type="checkbox"/> Supplement/Subsequent EIR	<input type="checkbox"/> EA	<input type="checkbox"/> Final Document
<input type="checkbox"/> Neg Dec	(Prior SCH No.) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Draft EIS	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Mit Neg Dec	Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> FONSI	_____

Local Action Type:

<input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Update	<input type="checkbox"/> Specific Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Rezone	<input type="checkbox"/> Annexation
<input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Master Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Prezone	<input type="checkbox"/> Redevelopment
<input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Element	<input type="checkbox"/> Planned Unit Development	<input type="checkbox"/> Use Permit	<input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Permit
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Site Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Zoning Amendment</u>

Development Type:

<input type="checkbox"/> Residential: Units* _____ Acres* _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation: Type* _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Office: Sq.ft.* _____ Acres* _____ Employees* _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Mining: Mineral* _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial: Sq.ft.* _____ Acres* _____ Employees* _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Power: Type* _____ MW* _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial: Sq.ft.* _____ Acres* _____ Employees* _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Waste Treatment: Type* _____ MGD* _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous Waste: Type* _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Recreational: _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Zoning Amendment</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Facilities: Type* _____ MGD* _____	

* Required field based on Development Type selected

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aesthetics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Energy	<input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory Findings of Significance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solid Waste
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agriculture and Forestry	<input type="checkbox"/> Fiscal Impacts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mineral Resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air Quality	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Flood Plain/Flooding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Noise	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tribal Cultural Resources
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biological Resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geology/Soils	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Population/Housing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Utilities/Service Systems
<input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Zone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greenhouse Gas Emissions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vegetation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cultural Resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Growth Inducement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recreation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wetland/Riparian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cumulative Effects	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hazards/Hazardous Materials	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Schools/Universities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wildfire
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drainage/Absorption	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hydrology/Water Quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Septic System	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Economic/Jobs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land Use/Planning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sewer Capacity	_____

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Exclusive Agriculture, Agricultural Ranchlands, Hillside, and Rural Residential

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

The proposed Project would amend the County of Santa Clara Zoning Ordinance as it pertains to the Exclusive Agriculture (A), Agricultural Ranchlands (AR), Hillside (HS), and Rural Residential (RR) zoning districts and establish a threshold of significance for evaluating impacts to agricultural resources from development proposed on farmland. The Project would clarify, simplify, and standardize the permit process for agriculture-supportive uses, align development in the Exclusive Agriculture zoning district with existing County land use policies, and replace the current "local-serving" provisions with new objective development standards. The Project would also establish a threshold of significance to evaluate agricultural impacts on a project-by-project basis under CEQA.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Boating & Waterways, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Office of Public School Construction
<input type="checkbox"/> California Emergency Management Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # <u>4</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regional WQCB # <u>2, 3</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Planning	<input type="checkbox"/> Resources Agency
<input type="checkbox"/> Central Valley Flood Protection Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy	<input type="checkbox"/> S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
<input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy
<input type="checkbox"/> Colorado River Board	<input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin River Conservancy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conservation, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
<input type="checkbox"/> Corrections, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> State Lands Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Delta Protection Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
<input type="checkbox"/> Education, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Quality
<input type="checkbox"/> Energy Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Rights
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fish & Game Region # <u>3</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
<input type="checkbox"/> Food & Agriculture, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Toxic Substances Control, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Resources, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> General Services, Department of	
<input type="checkbox"/> Health Services, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Housing & Community Development	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Native American Heritage Commission	

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date July 21, 2025 Ending Date September 4, 2025

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