Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: 2024010339

Project Title: Correia Family Dairy Farms Expansion

Lead Agency: Merced County

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Project Location: Gustine (*City*) Merced (*County*)

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

CUP21-009 proposes to expand the existing dairy to house a total of 6,075 animals, an increase of 3,945 animals over existing numbers. The proposed project includes construction of approximately 474,831 sq. ft. of supporting buildings and features. Approximately 11.4 acres of cropland would be converted to new dairy facilities.

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

Potential Impacts identified in the following environmental topics evaluated in the EIR:

Air Quality
Biological Resources
Cultural Resources
Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Energy Efficiency
Land Use / Nuisance Conditions from Insects
Hydrology and Water Quality

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

• Short-term construction air quality impacts and long-term air quality impacts from an increase in operational emissions, including generation of odors
• Potential inconsistency with state and federal air quality attainment requirements
• Biological resources impacts from construction activities
• Cultural resources impacts from site clearing, grading, and other ground disturbing activities
• Compliance with tribal consultation requirements, as applicable
• Greenhouse gas emissions from direct and indirect sources
• Potential inconsistency with the State's climate goals
• Potential generation of nuisance insects
• Potential violation of water quality standards, depletion of groundwater, groundwater and surface water contamination, and impacts to water quality at off-site locations
• Potential incompatibility with Merced County planning documents
• Potential Conflict with Merced County Zoning Code and Animal Confinement Ordinance requirements, and land use incompatibility with surrounding residences and communities
• Cumulative impacts of dairy expansion proposals in Merced County

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

California Department of Fish and Wildlife
San Joaquin Valley APCD
State Water Resources Control Board
Regional Water Quality Control Board - Central Valley Region