

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Rancho Mirage Affordable Housing Family Apartments - EA25-0002 PDP25-0002

Lead Agency: City of Rancho Mirage

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Project Location: Rancho Mirage Riverside County
City County

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

The Rancho Mirage Affordable Housing Family Apartments is a 150-unit affordable housing community spanning five acres along Via Vail, southeast of the Rancho Mirage Dog Park. The development consists of seven residential buildings oriented around central courtyards, connected by an accessible paseo network. The project will offer 42 one-bedroom, 69 two-bedroom, and 39 three-bedroom units, with one unit reserved for an on-site manager. Amenities include a pool, community center, laundry facilities, a tot lot, gardens, and bicycle storage. Developed by National CORE and USA Properties, the community will also provide on-site supportive services through the Hope Through Housing Foundation. The site, currently vacant desert land, will feature buildings that step up in height to reduce visual impact, with parking and circulation areas surrounding the structures to ensure efficient site access.

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

To mitigate potential impacts to burrowing owl, two pre-construction surveys must be conducted in accordance with California Department of Fish and Wildlife protocol. If ground disturbance or tree or plant removal is proposed between February 1st and August 31st, a qualified biologist must conduct a nesting bird survey within 7 to 10 days of initiation of grading onsite, focusing on MBTA covered species. If active nests are reported, then species-specific measures must be prepared. At a minimum, grading in the vicinity of a nest must be postponed until the young birds have fledged. The Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians must be notified a minimum of 30 days prior to any earth-moving activities including grading, grubbing, trenching, or excavations at the site. All earth-moving activities including grading, grubbing, trenching, or excavations at the site shall be monitored by a qualified archaeologist and/or approved Agua Caliente Native American Cultural Resource Monitor(s). A qualified archaeologist and approved Agua Caliente Native American Cultural Resource Monitor(s) shall provide preconstruction training for all earthmoving construction personnel prior to the start of any ground-disturbing activities, regarding how to recognize the types of Tribal Cultural Resources and/or archaeological resources that may be encountered and to instruct personnel about actions to be taken in the event of a discovery. Should cultural materials be discovered, they shall be recorded and evaluated in the field. In the unexpected event human remains are uncovered during construction activities, all construction work taking place within the vicinity of the discovered remains must cease and the necessary steps to ensure the integrity of the immediate area must be taken.

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

None.

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

California Department of Fish and Wildlife
State Water Resource Control Board
Regional Water Quality Control Board
CalTrans
Coachella Valley Water District