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RE: MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE RAYE BURKHARDT, MAJOR GRADING PERMIT / GRAD2025-00006 DATED SEPTEMBER 10, 2025, STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER 2025090473

Dear Dane Mueller,

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) reviewed the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Raye Burkhardt, Major Grading Permit/ GRAD2025-00006 (Project). The Project is a request by Douglas Burkardt for a Major Grading Permit to allow for the construction of a building pad and driveway to support an approximately 1,173 square-foot manufactured accessory dwelling unit. The proposal includes grading and excavation for the building foundation, driveway, on-site drainage improvements and a new septic system. Grading will result in an estimated 490 cubic yards of cut and 310 cubic yards of fill with site disturbance of approximately 0.19 acres. The project will have an impervious surface area of 3,190 square feet. The site is located at 8715 N Barnes Road, approximately .5 miles southwest of the Community of San Miguel.

DTSC recommends and requests consideration of the following comment:

DTSC recommends that all imported soil/fill material should be tested to assess any COCs meet screening levels as outlined in DTSC's Preliminary Endangerment Assessment Guidance Manual. Additionally, DTSC advises referencing the DTSC Information Advisory Clean Imported Fill Material Fact Sheet if importing fill is necessary. To minimize the possibility of introducing contaminated soil/fill material there should be documentation of the origins of the soil/fill material and, if applicable, sampling be conducted to ensure that the imported soil/fill material are suitable for the intended land use. The soil sampling should include analysis based on the source of the soil/fill and knowledge of prior land use.

DTSC appreciates the opportunity to comment on the MND for the Raye Burkhardt, Major Grading Permit/ GRAD2025-00006. Thank you for your assistance in protecting California's people and environment from the harmful effects of toxic substances. If you have any questions or would like clarification on DTSC's comments, please respond to this letter or via the CEQA Review email address for additional guidance.

Sincerely,

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