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## Staff Report to the Zoning Administrator

Application Number: **08-0480**

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**Applicant:** Dee Murray  
**Owner:** Khosrow Haghshenas  
**APN:** 052-271-03

**Agenda Date:** 1/15/10  
**Agenda Item #:** 2  
**Time:** After 10:00 a.m.

**Project Description:** Proposal to demolish an existing gas station, to construct a replacement gas station with a convenience store, restaurant, car wash, and associated improvements, and to allow beer and wine sales. The conversion of the existing gas station from full service to self service (with fuel pump assistance) is included in this proposal.

Requires a Coastal Development Permit, Commercial Development Permit (this permit amends Commercial Development Permits 75-962-PD, 84-1019-CDP & 94-0395), Variances to decrease the required setback to adjacent CA zoned land from 30 feet to 15 feet at the car wash, to increase the maximum free standing sign height from 7 feet to about 40 feet (for the freeway monument sign), to increase the maximum sign area from 50 square feet to about 337 square feet, to locate a sign closer than 5 feet from the edge of a vehicular right of way, and to allow sign lighting in a scenic corridor, an Agricultural Buffer Determination, Flood Geologic Hazards Assessment, Soils Report Review, and Preliminary Grading Review for 242 cubic yards (cut), 232 cubic yards (fill), over-excavation of 280 cubic yards, and re-compaction of 430 cubic yards of earth.

**Location:** Property located on the east side of Lee Road, at the northeast corner of Highway 1 and Highway 129, in Watsonville. (200 Lee Road)

**Supervisory District:** 2nd District (District Supervisor: Ellen Pirie)

**Permits Required:** Coastal Development Permit, Commercial Development Permit, Sign & Setback Variances, Agricultural Buffer Determination

**Technical Reviews:** Flood Geological Hazards Assessment, Soils Report Review, Preliminary Grading Review

**Staff Recommendation:**

- Certification of the Mitigated Negative Declaration per the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.
- Approval of Application 08-0480, based on the attached findings and conditions.

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**Exhibits**

- A. Project plans
- B. Findings
- C. Conditions
- D. Mitigated Negative Declaration (CEQA Determination) with the following attached documents:  
(Attachment 1): Location map, Assessor's parcel map, Zoning map, General Plan map
- E. Staff Report and Minutes from 5/21/09 Agricultural Policy Advisory Commission hearing
- F. Photo Simulations
- G. Comments & Correspondence

**Parcel Information**

Parcel Size: 1 acre  
Existing Land Use - Parcel: Existing gas station  
Existing Land Use - Surrounding: Agriculture and Highway 1  
Project Access: Lee Road  
Planning Area: San Andreas  
Land Use Designation: C-N (Neighborhood Commercial)  
Zone District: CT-W (Tourist Commercial - within Watsonville utilities prohibition combining district)  
Supervisory District: Second (District Supervisor: Ellen Pirie)  
Within Coastal Zone:  Inside  Outside  
Appealable to Calif. Coastal Comm.  Yes  No

**Environmental Information**

An Initial Study has been prepared (Exhibit D) that addresses the environmental concerns associated with this application.

**Services Information**

Inside Urban/Rural Services Line:  Yes  No (Property is served by existing urban services from the City of Watsonville)  
Water Supply: City of Watsonville  
Sewage Disposal: City of Watsonville  
Fire District: CalFire (County Fire Department)  
Drainage District: Zone 7 Flood Control District

**History**

This application replaces application number 05-0629 for a replacement gas station on the subject property at 200 Lee Road in Watsonville. Application number 05-0629 was heard by the Zoning Administrator on 6/15/07 at a noticed public hearing. The proposal at that time included a request for agricultural buffer setback reductions that were not approved by the Agricultural Policy Advisory Commission, who acted to deny the request on 3/15/07 (due to the lack of an

adequate agricultural buffer barrier in the form of a 6 foot high redwood fence). The proposal presented to the Zoning Administrator also did not include sufficient design measures to reduce the visual impact of the proposed development on the Highway 1 scenic corridor. Throughout the process, the applicant was directed to revise the project plans to provide additional landscaped area on the north and east sides of the property, to reduce the overall footprint of the proposed development, and to revise the architectural design to minimize visual impacts. The applicant's architect refused to reduce the size or location of the structure or associated improvements, to change the character of the architecture, or to provide additional landscaped area on the property. Based on the lack of an approval from APAC for the reduced agricultural buffer setbacks and the unmodified franchise architecture of the proposed development, the Zoning Administrator acted to deny the project without prejudice on 6/15/07.

Following the action to deny the project, the applicant met with staff on a number of occasions and revised the plans to achieve a design that would address the concerns identified in the prior proposal. Through working with staff to improve the project, the applicant has modified the architectural style and materials, relocated the building further from the northeast property line, and has included additional landscaping to address agricultural and scenic issues. These revisions were included in the current application (08-0480) submitted on 10/29/08. APAC reviewed the current proposal at a noticed public hearing and approved the reduced agricultural buffer setbacks on 5/21/09. (Exhibit E)

### **Project Setting**

The subject property is approximately 1 acre in size and is located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Highway 1 and Highway 129. The address is 200 Lee Road, in Watsonville. An existing gas station is located on the property and the primary groundcover is asphalt or concrete with some decorative landscape plantings on the perimeter. The property is relatively level and is located within the flood plain of the Pajaro River to the east. Surrounding uses include agricultural fields to the north, west, and south, and Highway 1 is located to the east of the subject property. Although the parcel is located outside of the Urban Services Line, the existing gas station is served (water and sewer) by the City of Watsonville.

### **Project Scope**

This application is a proposal to demolish an existing Chevron gas station and to construct a replacement gas station, convenience store, restaurant, and car wash of approximately 6,650 square feet with a fuel canopy of approximately 2,950 square feet on a 1 acre parcel. The access to the property is from two existing driveways to Lee Road. Signage is proposed between the two driveways, as well as on a monument sign at the east side of the property, on the building, and fuel canopy. Parking is proposed along the north and south sides of the property, in front of the convenience store/restaurant, and at the fuel islands themselves.

### **Zoning & General Plan Consistency**

The subject property is an approximately 1 acre parcel, located in the CT-W (Tourist Commercial - Watsonville utility prohibition combining district) zone district, a designation which allows commercial uses. A gas station is an allowed use within the zone district, which is

consistent with the site's (C-N) Neighborhood Commercial General Plan designation.

The site is currently served by water and wastewater utilities and the continued use of those utilities (for either the existing facility or a reconstructed facility) is allowed within the Watsonville utility prohibition combining district.

### **Convenience Store, Restaurant and Car Wash**

The proposed gas station will replace the existing gas station which has existed on the project site since before 1960. The replacement gas station will include a convenience store, restaurant space, and car wash. All of these uses are considered as ancillary to the proposed replacement gas station and are typically located together to provide convenience for long distance travelers.

### Conversion from Full to Self Service

The gas station is proposed to be self service and would no longer provide mechanical services for motorists (mechanical services were discontinued an undetermined number of years ago), but an attendant would be on duty to assist with fuel pumping for individuals who require assistance in fueling their vehicles. Although it is unclear as to when full service (fuel pump, mechanical service, etc.) was discontinued at this facility, this proposal will result in the removal of mechanical service bays and will formally convert the gas station to a self service facility. As required by County Code section 13.10.656, this application was routed to the Seniors Commission, the Disabilities Commission, and the Convention and Visitors Bureau on 4/15/09 for comments. No comments were received regarding this proposal to convert the facility to a self service gas station. Given the lack of comments received, and the availability of gas station personnel to assist with vehicle fueling, the conversion to a self service gas station at this location is not opposed by Planning Department staff.

### Beer & Wine Sales

The convenience store is proposed to include beer and wine sales. Beer and wine sales are allowed at gas stations (per County Code section 13.10.657) with public notice and review by the Zoning Administrator. No other alcohol establishments or problems have been identified in the project vicinity, and the request to sell beer and wine for off site consumption is not opposed by Planning Department staff.

### Parking

Adequate parking for the convenience store and restaurant will be provided on the project site within the parking areas and in the fuel islands themselves. Many convenience store customers and some restaurant customers will be parked at the fuel islands while making their purchases. The restaurant use will require 23 parking spaces (1 space per 100 square feet of restaurant area) and the convenience store will require 7 parking spaces (1 space per 200 square feet of retail area). A total of 33 formal parking spaces, and 10 fuel island spaces will be provided. The project site is located adjacent to agricultural fields without improved street frontage and no parking problems have been identified in the project vicinity.

### **Sign Variance**

The proposed replacement gas station includes the installation of replacement signage similar to what exists currently to allow visibility of the gas station from the highway. The site is currently developed with two monument signs, building, canopy, and price signs. The total existing sign area is approximately 350 square feet. The maximum sign area allowed on any commercial site is dependant on the amount of building frontage, but total sign area is not allowed to exceed 50 square feet without a variance approval (per County Code section 13.10.581(a)2). The total sign area for the gas station will be about 336 square feet and requires a variance approval.

Additionally, the existing and proposed monument signs exceed the maximum height limit of 7 feet and the signs are illuminated within a scenic corridor. The total height of the proposed monument sign will be 40 feet. A variance approval is required to exceed the maximum sign height (per County Code section 13.10.581(d)), to allow signs within 5 feet of a vehicular right of way (per County Code section 13.10.581(f)), and to allow illumination of the signs within the scenic corridor (per County Code section 13.10.581(k)).

The proposed sign plan is considered as appropriate, in that it replaces existing signage on the project site and it allows the business to be properly identified by freeway travelers who need to be able to identify the gas station prior to passing the exit on Highway 1 (which is a 65 MPH freeway in this section of the County). The total sign area has been reduced from the current situation, while including signage for the convenience store and restaurant uses. The fuel price sign and freestanding monument sign will be located within 5 feet of vehicular right of way due to the location of site improvements, but will not obstruct vehicular site distance due to the location of vehicular access points. Overall, the sign plan will result in a more modern and upgraded appearance from the freeway and the adjacent local street and is considered as appropriate given the site conditions.

The location of the property below grade of the highway and the distance from a highway where vehicles travel at a high rate of speed are the special circumstances for the sign variances. Travelers along the highway need to be able to properly identify service facilities a distance before the turnoff, which results in the need for taller, larger, illuminated signs than allowed by County Code. Additionally, the site is a corner lot and additional signage is needed to be visible from multiple directions.

### **Setback Variance**

In addition to the sign variances, the site standards for the CT (Tourist Commercial) zone district require minimum side and rear yard setbacks of 30 feet for commercial structures adjacent to an agricultural district (per County Code 13.10.333(b)(4)). The proposed replacement gas station includes a car wash building that is set back 15 feet from the adjacent CA (Commercial Agriculture) zoned parcel (APN 052-271-04) to the north. A variance approval is required for the reduced setback.

The shape and orientation of the subject property are the special circumstances for the setback variance. The property is surrounded on three sides by vehicular rights of way, and is accessed from Lee Road to the south. Although the property is approximately one acre, the amount of area

needed for vehicular circulation, pump islands, and parking requires that the buildings be located towards the north edge of the property. The proposed development will be over 30 feet from the adjacent CA (Commercial Agriculture) zoned parcel, except at the northeast edge of the property. Given the shape and orientation of the property adjacent to vehicular rights of way, the variance request is considered as appropriate.

### **Scenic Resources & Design Review**

The subject property is located within the viewshed of the Highway 1 scenic corridor. The existing development includes a building, fuel canopy, two monument signs, and nighttime lighting that are all visible from Highway One. The proposed development will replace the existing building, fuel canopy, and signage with an expanded building, fuel canopy, and a single monument sign with additional sign panels. Existing trees screen views of the property from portions of Highway 1, but the property is still visible from a number of points on the highway. Given the location of the property below the highway and the presence of existing trees, a monument sign and associated lighting are necessary for the gas station (which serves motorists traveling on Highway 1) to be seen from the highway in time for motorists to exit. The removal of one of the two monument signs is proposed to reduce potential visual impacts to the scenic resource.

In the prior review (05-0629), the applicant was directed to revise the project plans to provide additional landscaped area on the north and east sides of the property and to revise the architectural design to minimize visual impacts. In the current proposal, the building has also been relocated to provide additional landscaping, and the project design has been modified from the standard franchise architecture to incorporate horizontal siding, shingled parapet roofing, and stone accent materials. The improvements to the site and building design satisfy the concerns of staff from the previous application (05-0629). With the incorporation of these changes the project complies with the requirements of the County Design Review Ordinance and General Plan policies related to scenic resource protection. Although the proposal will result in an increase in size from the existing facility, adequate measures have been taken to reduce the visual impact of the proposed development on the Highway 1 scenic corridor, other surrounding land uses, and the natural landscape.

### **Floodplain**

The subject property is located within the flood plain of the Pajaro River. In order to determine requirements for flood proofing, a Flood Geologic Hazards Assessment (Exhibit D - Attachment 5) was prepared by Planning Department staff. The Flood GHA determined that the 100 year base flood elevation for the site is in the range of 1-3 feet above existing grade, with an average of 1 foot above existing grade, and identified mitigations to address hazards from potential flooding. The finished floor of the proposed structure is required to be elevated above the base flood elevation and to meet minimum Federal Emergency Management Agency flood-proofing standards (through watertight construction, or allowing water to pass through the structure in flood events).

## **Environmental Review**

Environmental review has been required for the proposed project per the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The project was reviewed by the County's Environmental Coordinator on 10/19/09. A preliminary determination to issue a Negative Declaration with Mitigations (Exhibit D) was made on 10/22/09 and the public comment period ended on 11/30/09.

The environmental review process focused on the potential impacts of the project in the areas of geologic hazards, hydrology, public services, and visual resources. The environmental review process generated mitigation measures that will reduce potential impacts from the proposed development and adequately address these issues.

## **Conclusion**

As proposed and conditioned, the project is consistent with all applicable codes and policies of the Zoning Ordinance and General Plan/LCP. Please see Exhibit "B" ("Findings") for a complete listing of findings and evidence related to the above discussion.

## **Staff Recommendation**

- Certification of the Mitigated Negative Declaration per the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.
- **APPROVAL** of Application Number **08-0480**, based on the attached findings and conditions.

**Supplementary reports and information referred to in this report are on file and available for viewing at the Santa Cruz County Planning Department, and are hereby made a part of the administrative record for the proposed project.**

**The County Code and General Plan, as well as hearing agendas and additional information are available online at: [www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us](http://www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us)**

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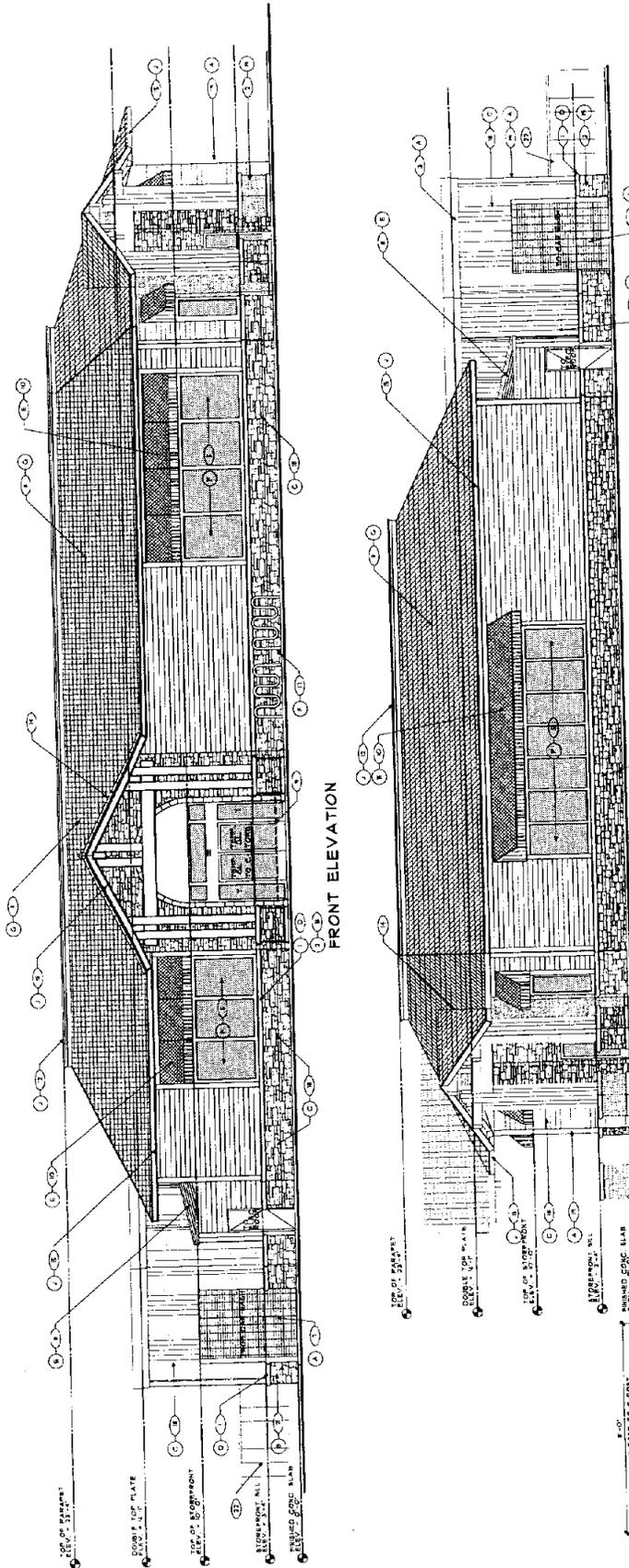












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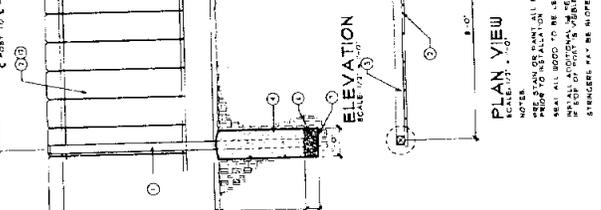
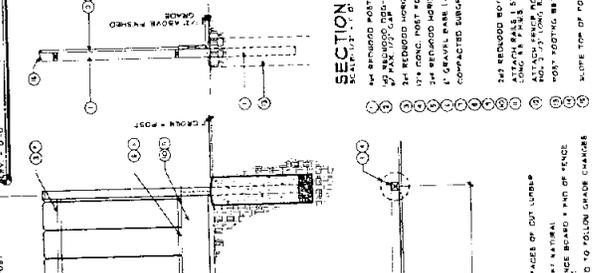
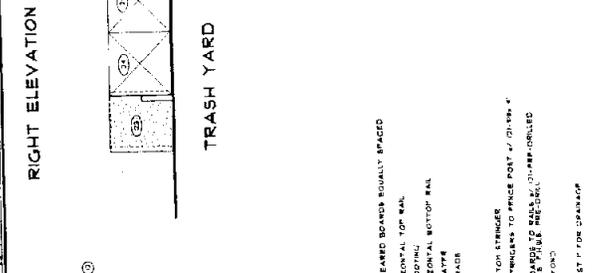
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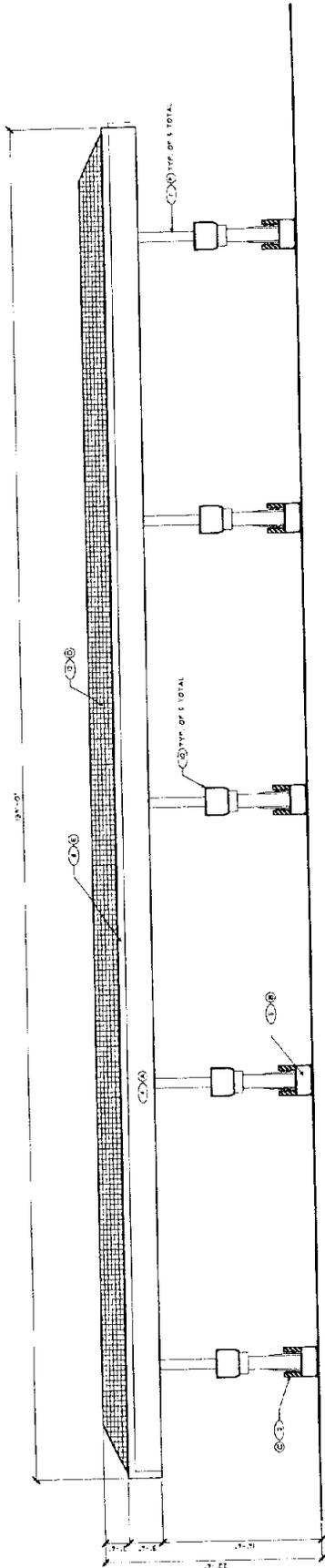
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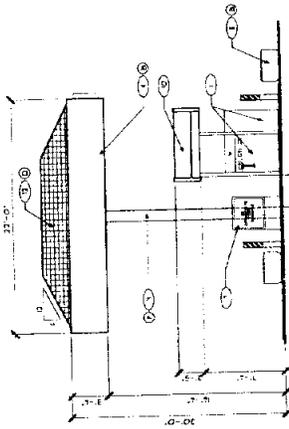
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EAST/WEST ELEVATION (LEE ROAD)



NORTH/SOUTH ELEVATION

- KEY NOTES:**
- 1. MULTI-PURPOSE DEPENDER BY WINN-DIXIE + VALET.
  - 2. 1" SQUARE VTR. W/6 BOLLARD.
  - 3. TUBE STEEL COLUMN.
  - 4. UPVAL PASCIA.
  - 5. 3" ROUND CONC. PLATES 30" TALL.
  - 6. 6" x 6" x 1/2" AISC. I-BEAM, UNILLUMINATED.
  - 7. 4" x 4" x 1/2" AISC. I-BEAM, UNILLUMINATED.
  - 8. ILLUMINATED SPANNE.
  - 9. 12" SQUARE STEEL COLUMN.
  - 10. CONCRETE TYP. ROOFING.

- COLOR LEGEND:**
- 1. CHEVRON BLUE.
  - 2. CHEVRON WHITE.
  - 3. CHEVRON BLACK.
  - 4. CHEVRON RED.
  - 5. CHEVRON GREEN.
  - 6. CHEVRON YELLOW.
  - 7. CHEVRON ORANGE.
  - 8. CHEVRON PURPLE.
  - 9. CHEVRON PINK.
  - 10. CHEVRON GRAY.

**CANOPY ELEVATIONS**

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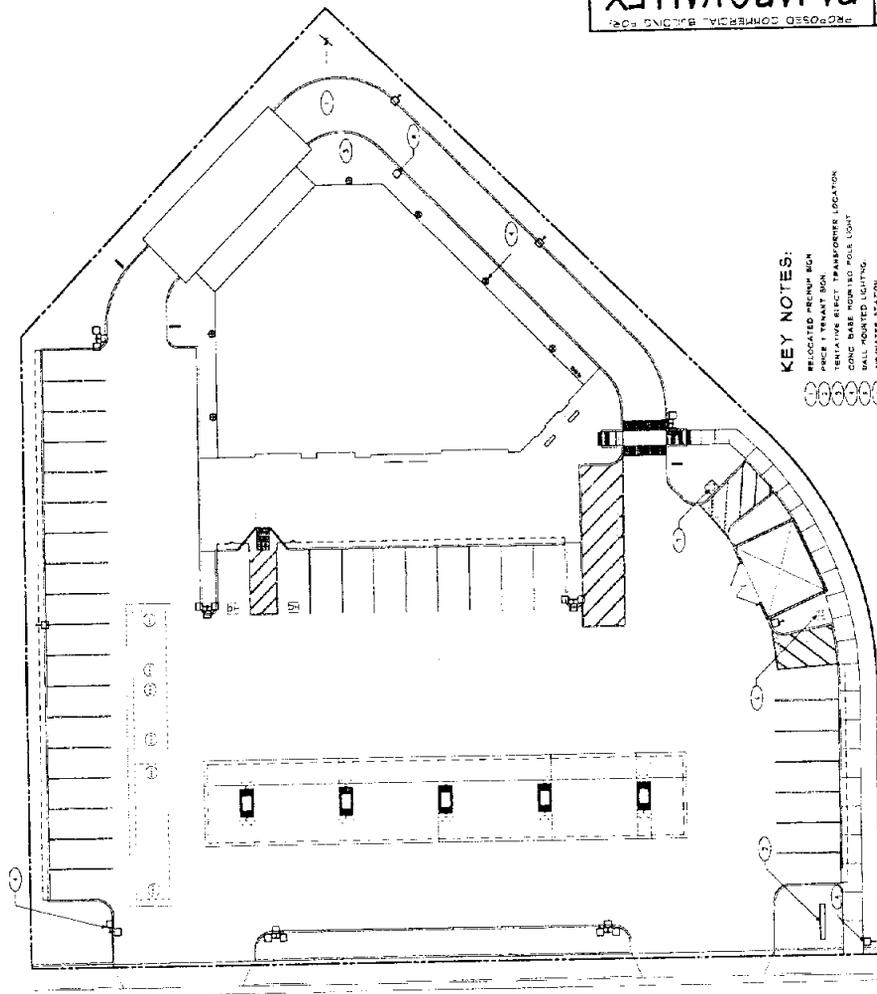
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PAJARO VALLEY COMMERCIAL BUILDING FOR  
**CHEVRON**  
 KINGSLEY HACHENAS, OWNER  
 PAJARO, CALIFORNIA SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

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  - CONCRETE BASE MOUNTED POLE LIGHT
  - MALL MOUNTED LIGHTING
  - APARTMENT STATION
  - VACUUM CLEANER
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PROPOSED COMMERCIAL BUILDING FOR  
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 PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

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| DATE                  | DESCRIPTION |
| JAN 20, 2004          | DATE        |
| DEC 1, 2004           | DATE        |
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EXHIBIT A

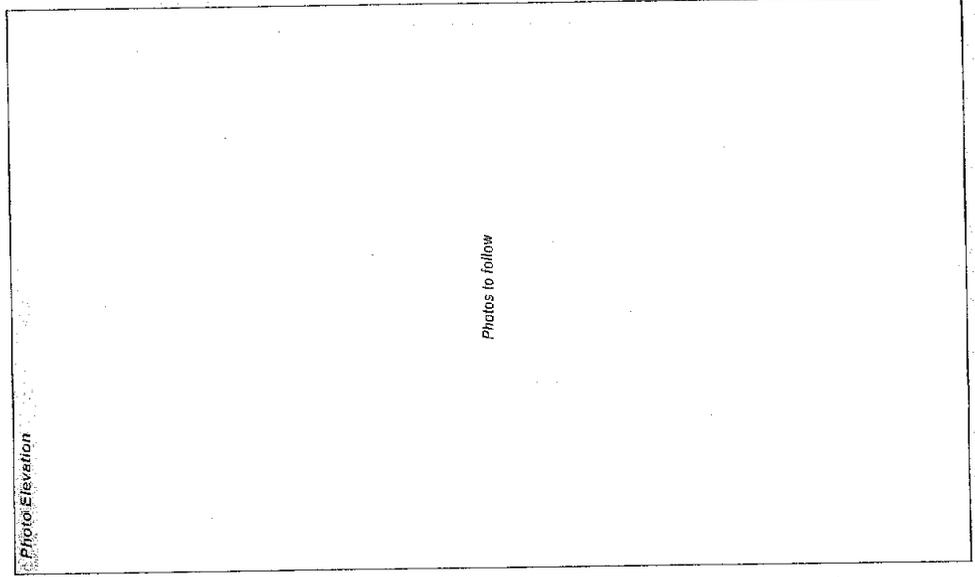
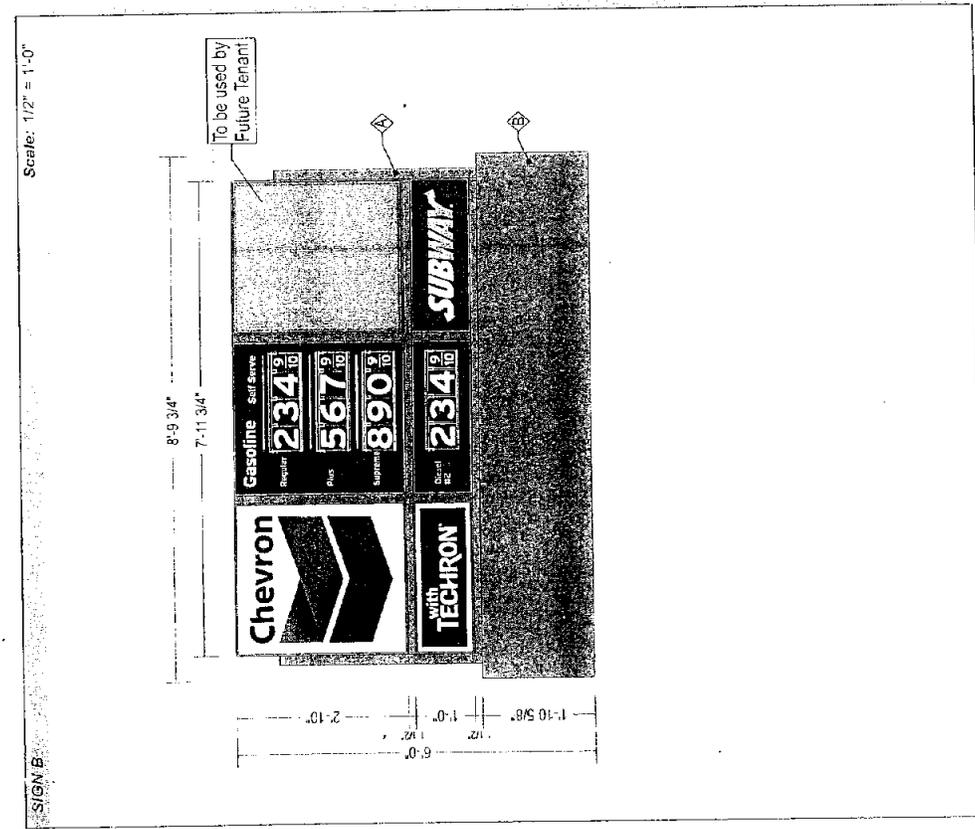
# Pajaro Valley Service Station: Existing signs

| Item #            | Sign Location   | Elevation*  | Dimensions**                                       | Approximate            |   |
|-------------------|---|---|--|------------------------|---|
|                   |   |   |  | Sign Area (sq ft)      | Description   |
| 1                 | North Sign  | top of the sign; 21'-4"<br>bottom of the sign; 14'-3" | 7'-1" By 7'-1"                                     | 50                     | BAS- elevated   |
| 2                 | Lee Street  | top of the sign; 8'-4"<br>bottom of the sign; 1'-3"   | 7'-1" By 3'-8"                                     | 25.7                   | Monument Sign   |
| 3                 | Highway Sign  | top of the sign; 54'-9"<br>bottom of the sign; 40'-6" | 14'-3" By 11'-6"                                   | 163                    | BAS- elevated   |
| 4                 | Pump isles<br>a- four on the sides ("Chevron" sign)<br>b- eight at the sides (pump # sign)<br>c- four at the ends ("Self" sign) | top El. 10'-8"<br>top El. 7'-8"<br>top El. 10'-8"     | 1'-6" By 1'-3"<br>4'-0" By 0'-8"<br>1'-2" By 0'-8" | 7.5<br>21.336<br>3.112 | (4) both sides of isles<br>(8) both sides of pumps<br>(4) both sides of isles |
| 5                 | Pump signs at bottom (eight)<br>Pump signs at bottom (eight)  | top of the sign; 1'-8"<br>top of the sign; 1'-8"      | 1'-4" By 0'-6"<br>1'-4" By 1'-2"                   | 5.3<br>12.448          | (8) both sides of pumps<br>(8) both sides of pumps                            |
| 6                 | Between pumps (four)  | top of the sign; 4'-8"                                | 3'-0" By 3'-0"                                     | 36                     | (4) both sides  |
| 7                 | Entrance to office  | top of the sign; 13'-4"                               | 2'-0" By 5'-0"                                     | 10                     | Building Sign   |
| 8                 | Canopy  | all around canopy                                     | 10" high   |                        | not included  |
| 9                 | Trush sign  | top of the sign; 4'-8"                                | 22" w x 10" h                                      | 6.12                   | 4 of them   |
| 10                | Glass window signs  | 24 hrs sign<br>Hours Sign<br>Warring Sign             | 48" w x 15" h<br>14" w x 24" h<br>12" w x 24" h    | 5<br>2.33<br>2         |   |
| <b>Total Area</b> |   |   |  | <b>348.9</b>           |   |

BAS Business advertising sign  
\* above existing grade  
\*\* Good to +/- 4 inches







**Scope of Work**

**SIGN B: DF Internally Illuminated C-30 Monument Sign (Order, Receive, Assemble and Install)**

Removals: None  
 Additional Work: Manufacture sheet metal cladding and assemble  
 Installation: Complete new J-bolt footings

**Color Schedule**

Note: Colors shown are approximate

- Smooth Painted Chevron Grey
- Textcoated and Painted Chevron Grey

**Electrical Specifications**

Voltage: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Circuits Requested: \_\_\_\_\_ @ 20 amps

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| 7/21/09 | Revise specifications |

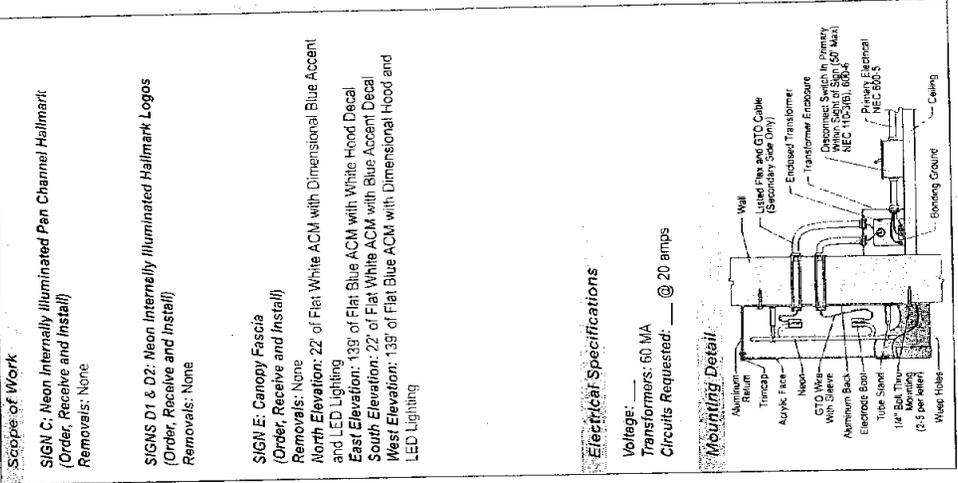
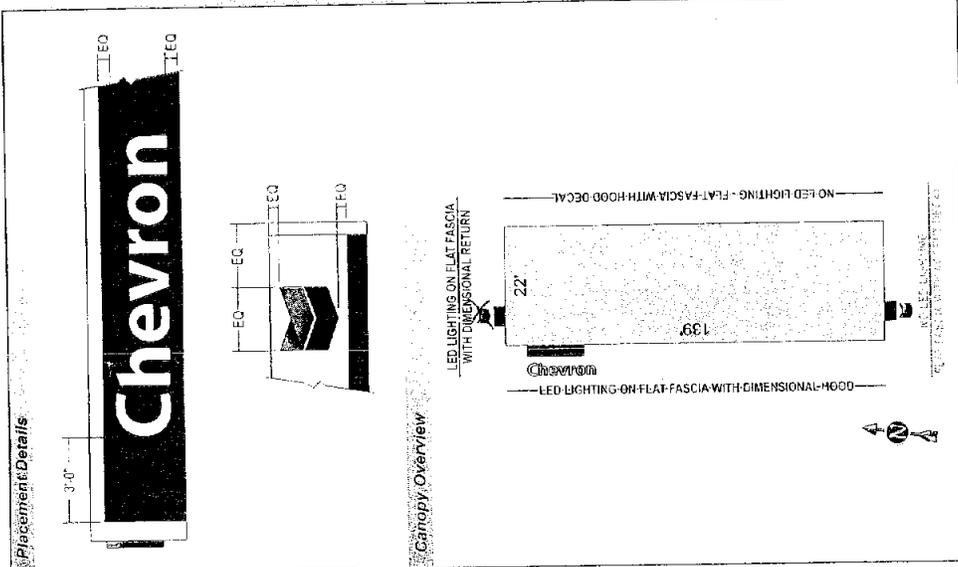
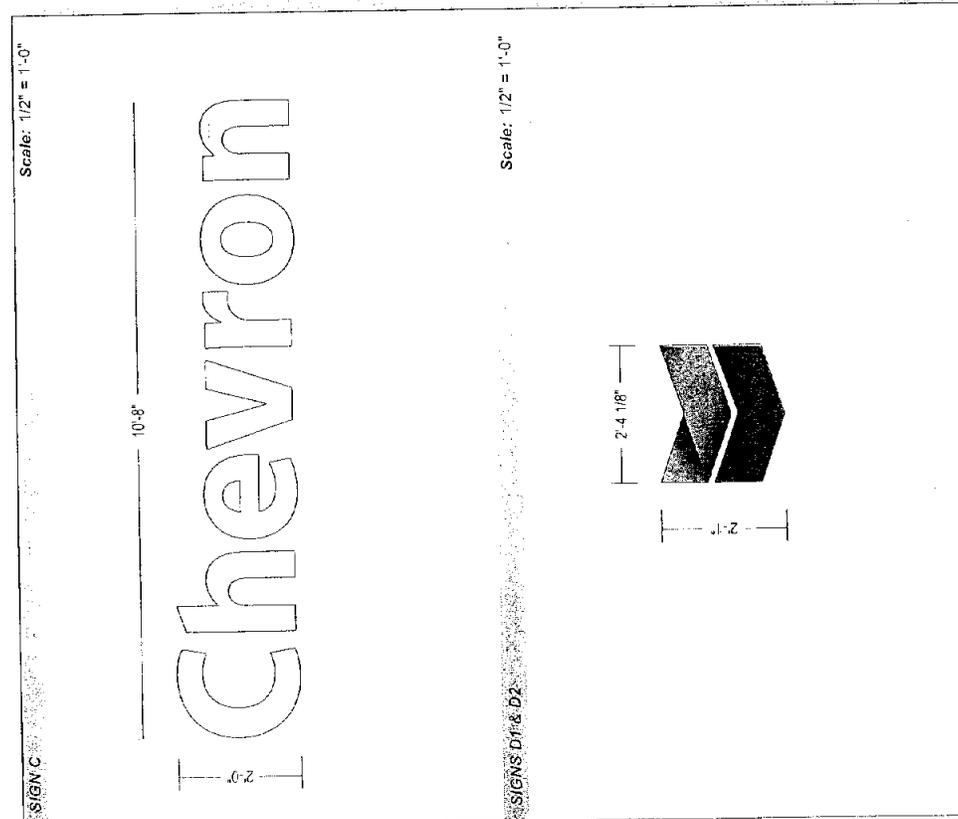
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**Chevron**  
 200 Lee Road  
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 Design #: 32277  
 Salesperson: GB  
 Designer: JW  
 Site Check: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Production: \_\_\_\_\_  
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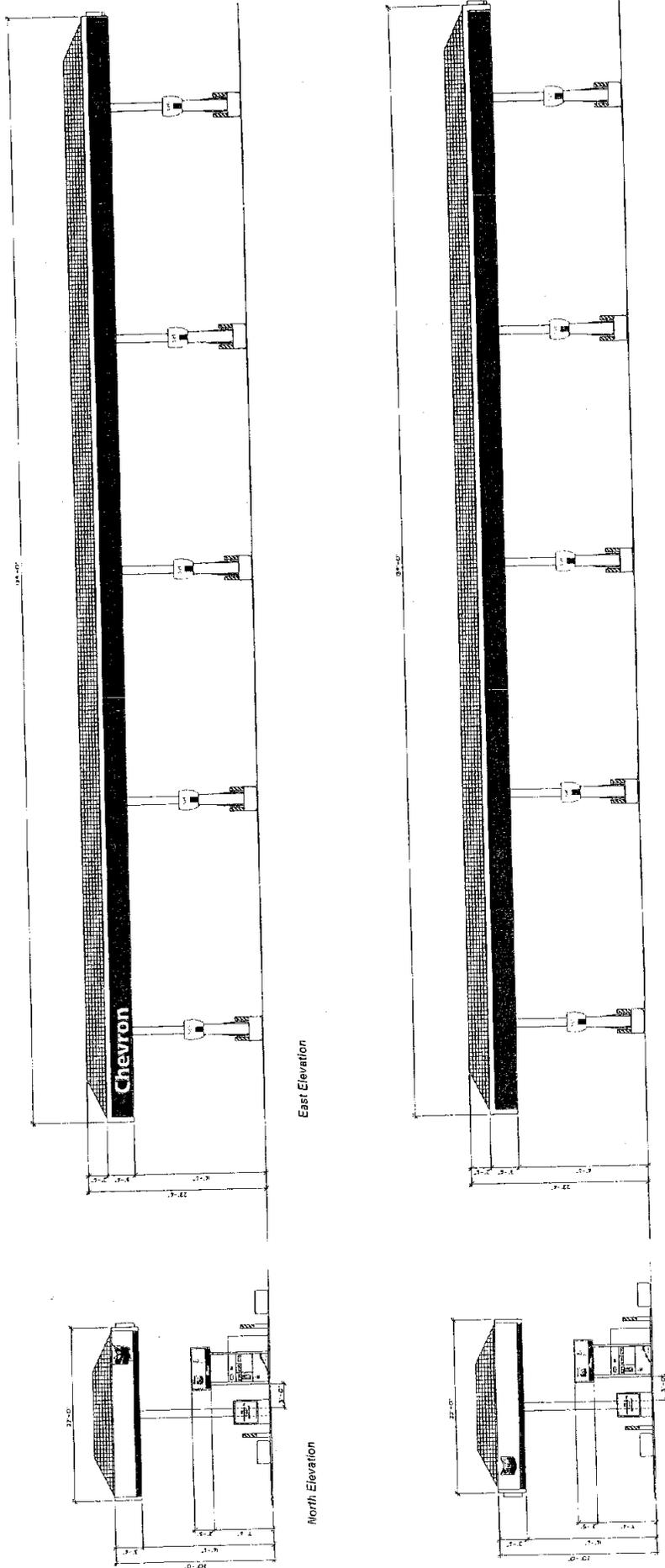
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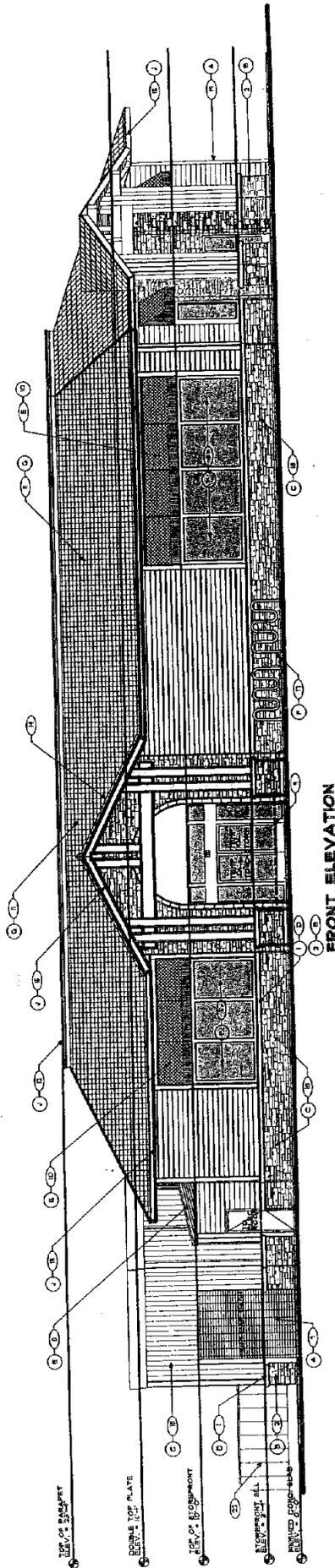
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FRONT ELEVATION

Note: No Signs on any elevation of the building

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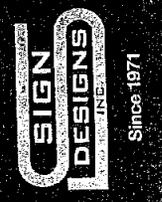
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## Variance Findings

1. That because of special circumstances applicable to the property, including size, shape, topography, location, and surrounding existing structures, the strict application of the Zoning Ordinance deprives such property of privileges enjoyed by other property in the vicinity and under identical zoning classification.

This finding can be made, in that the location of the property below grade of the highway and the distance from a highway where vehicles travel at a high rate of speed are the special circumstances for the sign variances. Travelers along the highway need to be able to properly identify service facilities a distance before the turnoff, which results in the need for taller, larger, illuminated signs than allowed by County Code. Additionally, the site is a corner lot and additional signage is needed to be visible from multiple directions. Strict application of the sign ordinance in this case would result in the business not being visible to high speed traffic traveling on Highway 1, and the business would suffer in comparison to other commercial sites under identical zoning classification which are more visible from arterial roadways.

The shape and orientation of the subject property are the special circumstances for the setback variance (from 30 feet at the northeast property boundary to 15 feet). The property is surrounded on three sides by vehicular rights of way, and is accessed from Lee Road to the south. Although the property is approximately one acre, the amount of area needed for vehicular circulation, pump islands, and parking requires that the buildings be located towards the north edge of the property. Strict application of the zoning ordinance in this case would reduce the size of the structure and prevent the business from providing similar services to other modern gas stations located within the identical zoning classification.

2. That the granting of the variance will be in harmony with the general intent and purpose of zoning objectives and will not be materially detrimental to public health, safety, or welfare or injurious to property or improvements in the vicinity.

This finding can be made, in that the granting of the sign and setback variances will allow the continued use of the property as a gas station, in harmony with the intent of the CT (Tourist Commercial) zone district. Additionally, the size and location of the signs will allow motorists to properly identify the facility in advance of the highway turnoff which will allow adequate time to perform turning movements and provide access to services at the facility. The setback variance will not have an adverse effect on the adjacent agricultural property, as the reduced setback has been reviewed and approved by the Agricultural Policy Advisory Commission. The project, including the proposed variances, will not be detrimental to public health, safety, or welfare or injurious to property or improvements in the vicinity.

3. That the granting of such variances shall not constitute a grant of special privileges inconsistent with the limitations upon other properties in the vicinity and zone in which such is situated.

This finding can be made, in that the sign and setback variances will allow the property to continue to operate as a gas station on a site designated for such commercial use. Other properties under identical zoning classification are more visible from major roadways or are not located adjacent to agricultural properties and therefore may not require a variance approval.

## Coastal Development Permit Findings

1. That the project is a use allowed in one of the basic zone districts, other than the Special Use (SU) district, listed in section 13.10.170(d) as consistent with the General Plan and Local Coastal Program LUP designation.

This finding can be made, in that the property is zoned CT-W (Tourist Commercial - Watsonville utilities prohibition combining district), a designation which allows commercial uses. The proposed replacement gas station is a permitted use within the zone district, and the zoning is consistent with the site's (C-N) Neighborhood Commercial General Plan designation.

2. That the project does not conflict with any existing easement or development restrictions such as public access, utility, or open space easements.

This finding can be made, in that the proposal does not conflict with any existing easement or development restriction such as public access, utility, or open space easements in that no such easements or restrictions are known to encumber the project site.

3. That the project is consistent with the design criteria and special use standards and conditions of this chapter pursuant to section 13.20.130 et seq.

This finding can be made, in that the development will replace an existing gas station on the subject property. The architectural design and materials have been selected to reduce the visual impact of the replacement building and adequate landscaping has been provided around the perimeter of the project site to provide a visual buffer around the commercial use.

The project complies with the requirements of County Code/Local Coastal Program sections 13.20.130(b)1 (Visual Compatibility), 13.20.130(c)1 (Rural Scenic Resources - Location of Development), or 13.20.130(c)2 (Site Planning), in that the proposed replacement facility is located below the highway and is partially screened from view by existing trees, the building design incorporates appropriate materials to reduce the visibility of the structure, and adequate landscaping has been provided around the perimeter of the project site to provide a visual buffer around the commercial use.

4. That the project conforms with the public access, recreation, and visitor-serving policies, standards and maps of the General Plan and Local Coastal Program land use plan, specifically Chapter 2: figure 2.5 and Chapter 7, and, as to any development between and nearest public road and the sea or the shoreline of any body of water located within the coastal zone, such development is in conformity with the public access and public recreation policies of Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act commencing with section 30200.

This finding can be made, in that the project site is not located between the shoreline and the first public road (Thurwachter Road), with public beach access available at West Beach Road. Consequently, the gas station will not interfere with public access to the beach, ocean, or any nearby body of water. Further, the project site is not identified as a priority acquisition site in the

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County Local Coastal Program.

5. That the proposed development is in conformity with the certified local coastal program.

This finding can be made, in that the structure is sited and designed to be visually compatible, in scale with, and integrated with the character of the existing development in the project vicinity. Additionally, commercial uses are allowed uses in the CT-W (Tourist Commercial - Watsonville utilities prohibition combining district) zone district of the area, as well as the General Plan and Local Coastal Program land use designation.

## Development Permit Findings

1. That the proposed location of the project and the conditions under which it would be operated or maintained will not be detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of persons residing or working in the neighborhood or the general public, and will not result in inefficient or wasteful use of energy, and will not be materially injurious to properties or improvements in the vicinity.

This finding can be made, in that the project is located in an area designated for commercial uses. Construction will comply with prevailing building technology, the California Building Code, and the County Building ordinance to insure the optimum in safety and the conservation of energy and resources. The project will replace an existing gas station on the project site and will not be materially injurious to properties or improvements in the vicinity.

2. That the proposed location of the project and the conditions under which it would be operated or maintained will be consistent with all pertinent County ordinances and the purpose of the zone district in which the site is located.

This finding can be made, in that the proposed location of the gas station and the conditions under which it would be operated or maintained will be consistent with all pertinent County ordinances and the purpose of the CT-W (Tourist Commercial - Watsonville utilities prohibition combining district) zone district in that the primary use of the property will be a gas station that is a permitted use in the zone district.

The project complies with the requirements of County Code sections 13.11.072 (Site Design), 13.11.073 (Building Design), or 13.11.075 (Landscaping), 13.20.130(b)1 (Visual Compatibility), 13.20.130(c)1 (Rural Scenic Resources - Location of Development), or 13.20.130(c)2 (Site Planning), in that the proposed replacement facility is located below the highway and is partially screened from view by existing trees, the building design incorporates appropriate materials to reduce the visibility of the structure, and adequate landscaping has been provided around the perimeter of the project site to provide a visual buffer around the commercial use.

The project complies with the requirements of County Code section 13.10.493 (Use and development standards in the Watsonville Utility Prohibition "W" Combining District), in that the existing gas station is currently served by urban services (water and sanitary sewer) from the City of Watsonville. The replacement gas station will continue to be served by the City of Watsonville and the wastewater and potable water supply pipelines shall be limited in size to the minimum capacity necessary to serve the replacement facility.

The project complies with the requirements of County Code section 13.10.656(c) (Conversion of Existing Gas Stations), in that the conversion of an existing gas station to self service will not significantly adversely affect the public health, safety or welfare in any of the following respects:

- A. Availability of minor emergency health and safety services such as public restrooms and minor automobile repair.

The facility will continue to provide public restrooms, air and water for vehicles, and

minor repair items will be available for sale within the convenience store.

B. Discrimination against individuals needing refueling assistance.

The service attendants will continue to provide refueling assistance for individuals with accessible placards, and other individuals in need of such assistance, during open business hours.

The project complies with the requirements of County Code section 13.10.657(e) (Sale of Alcoholic Beverages at Gas Stations), in that the concurrent retailing of motor vehicle fuel with beer and wine for off-premises consumption will not significantly adversely affect the public health, safety, or welfare from increases in noise, traffic and/or violations of traffic and other laws, because the subject property is located in a rural area and no other alcohol establishments or problems associated with off-premises alcohol consumption have been identified in the project vicinity.

3. That the proposed use is consistent with all elements of the County General Plan and with any specific plan which has been adopted for the area.

This finding can be made, in that the proposed commercial use is consistent with the use and density requirements specified for the Neighborhood Commercial (C-N) land use designation in the County General Plan.

The project complies with the requirements of General Plan policies 5.10.2 (Development within Visual Resource Areas), 5.10.3 (Protection of Public Vistas), 5.10.5 (Preserving Agricultural Vistas), or 5.10.11 (Development Visible from Rural Scenic Roads), in that the proposed replacement facility is located below the highway and is partially screened from view by existing trees, the building design incorporates appropriate materials to reduce the visibility of the structure, and adequate landscaping has been provided around the perimeter of the project site to provide a visual buffer around the commercial use.

A specific plan has not been adopted for this portion of the County.

4. That the proposed use will not overload utilities and will not generate more than the acceptable level of traffic on the streets in the vicinity.

This finding can be made, in that the proposed gas station will replace an existing gas station on the subject property. Although there will be some additional traffic with the replacement gas station, the project will be small scale in nature (the restaurant and convenience store will be less than 5,550 square feet total) and the additional trips generated by these uses will not adversely impact existing roads and intersections in the surrounding area.

5. That the proposed project will complement and harmonize with the existing and proposed land uses in the vicinity and will be compatible with the physical design aspects, land use intensities, and dwelling unit densities of the neighborhood.

This finding can be made, in that the development will replace an existing gas station on the

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subject property. The architectural design and materials have been selected to reduce the visual impact of the replacement building and adequate landscaping has been provided around the perimeter of the project site to provide a visual buffer around the commercial use. The proposed replacement gas station is consistent with the land use intensity and density of the neighborhood.

6. The proposed development project is consistent with the Design Standards and Guidelines (sections 13.11.070 through 13.11.076), and any other applicable requirements of this chapter.

This finding can be made, in that the proposed replacement facility is located below the highway and is partially screened from view by existing trees, the building design incorporates appropriate materials to reduce the visibility of the structure, and adequate landscaping has been provided around the perimeter of the project site to provide a visual buffer around the commercial use.

## Conditions of Approval

Exhibit A: Project Plans entitled "Pajaro Valley Chevron", Architectural Plans, prepared by Frank E. Areyano Architect, 10 sheets, with revisions through 7/1/09; Landscape Plan, prepared by Ali M. Oskoorouchi, 1 sheet, dated 1/30/09; Preliminary Engineering Plans, prepared by Bowman & Williams, with revisions through 6/15/09; Sign Plans, prepared by Sign Designs, 7 sheets, dated 7/13/09.

- I. This permit authorizes the demolition of an existing gas station and the construction of a replacement gas station with a convenience store, restaurant, and car wash. This approval does not confer legal status on any existing structure(s) or existing use(s) on the subject property that are not specifically authorized by this permit. Prior to exercising any rights granted by this permit including, without limitation, any construction or site disturbance, the applicant/owner shall:
  - A. Sign, date, and return to the Planning Department one copy of the approval to indicate acceptance and agreement with the conditions thereof.
  - B. Obtain a Demolition Permit from the Santa Cruz County Building Official.
    1. All requirements of the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District shall be met in the demolition of the existing facility.
  - C. Obtain final water and sanitary sewer service approvals from the City of Watsonville.
  - D. Obtain all required approvals from the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District for the construction of the replacement gas station facility.
  - E. Obtain a Building Permit from the Santa Cruz County Building Official.
    1. Any outstanding balance due to the Planning Department must be paid prior to making a Building Permit application. Applications for Building Permits will not be accepted or processed while there is an outstanding balance due.
  - F. Obtain a Grading Permit from the Santa Cruz County Building Official.
  - G. Obtain an Encroachment Permit from the Department of Public Works for all off-site work performed in the County road right-of-way.
  - H. Submit proof that these conditions have been recorded in the official records of the County of Santa Cruz (Office of the County Recorder) within 30 days from the effective date of this permit.
- II. Prior to issuance of a Building Permit the applicant/owner shall:

- A. Submit final architectural plans for review and approval by the Planning Department. The final plans shall be in substantial compliance with the plans marked Exhibit "A" on file with the Planning Department. Any changes from the approved Exhibit "A" for this development permit on the plans submitted for the Building Permit must be clearly called out and labeled by standard architectural methods to indicate such changes. Any changes that are not properly called out and labeled will not be authorized by any Building Permit that is issued for the proposed development. The final plans shall include the following additional information:
1. One elevation shall indicate materials and colors as they were approved by this Discretionary Application. If specific materials and colors have not been approved with this Discretionary Application, in addition to showing the materials and colors on the elevation, the applicant shall supply a color and material board in 8 1/2" x 11" format for Planning Department review and approval
  2. The setbacks for the CT zone district shall be met as depicted on the approved Exhibit "A" for this permit, with the exception of the 30 feet setback from the northeast property line.
    - a. A variance from the 30 feet minimum setback to 15 feet for the proposed car wash, as depicted on the approved Exhibit "A" for this permit, is authorized by this approval.
  3. The height of the proposed structures shall be as indicated on the approved Exhibit "A" for this permit. No changes to the approved height shall be made without amendment to this permit. The maximum height for the gas station building shall not exceed 26 feet as measured from existing or finished grade (whichever is the greater measurement). The maximum height for the gas station canopy shall not exceed 25 feet as measured from existing or finished grade (whichever is the greater measurement).
  4. Grading, drainage, and erosion control plans, that are prepared, wet-stamped, and signed by a licensed civil engineer. Grading and drainage plans must include estimated earthwork, cross sections through all improvements, existing and proposed cut and fill areas, existing and proposed drainage facilities, and details of devices such as back drains, culverts, energy dissipaters, detention pipes, etc. Verify that the detention facilities are adequate to meet County requirements for release rates.
  5. Engineered improvement plans for all on-site and off-site improvements. All improvements shall be submitted for the review and approval by the Department of Public Works.
  6. Sign locations, dimensions, and height shall be consistent with the approved Exhibit "A" for this permit.

- a. Total sign area shall not exceed 350 square feet, as depicted on the approved Exhibit "A" for this permit.
  - b. One monument sign is allowed, with a maximum height of 40 feet, as depicted on the approved Exhibit "A" for this permit.
  - c. Signage may be internally illuminated. Any sign lighting which creates off-site glare, as determined by the Planning Director, shall be addressed through:
    - i. Reduction of the total effective light emitted (change in wattage or bulb intensity).
    - ii. Change in the type or method of sign lighting (change in bulb or illumination type)
    - iii. Removal of the lighting creating the off-site glare.
  - d. Price signs shall not include digital illuminated LED numerals that produce off-site glare.
7. A lighting plan for the proposed development. Lighting for the proposed development must comply with the following conditions:
- a. All site, building, security and landscape lighting shall be directed onto the site and away from adjacent properties. Light sources shall not be visible from adjacent properties. Light sources can be shielded by landscaping, structure, fixture design or other physical means. Building and security lighting shall be integrated into the building design.
  - b. All lighted parking and circulation areas shall utilize low-rise light standards or light fixtures attached to the building. Light standards to a maximum height of 15 feet are allowed.
  - c. Area lighting shall be high-pressure sodium vapor, metal halide, fluorescent, or equivalent energy-efficient fixtures.
8. All rooftop mechanical and electrical equipment shall be designed to be an integral part of the building design, and shall be screened.
9. Utility equipment such as electrical and gas meters, electrical panels, and junction boxes shall not be located on exterior wall elevations facing streets unless screened from streets and building entries using architectural screens, walls, fences, and/or plant material.

10. A landscape plan consistent with the approved Exhibit "A" for this permit.
  11. Details showing compliance with the requirements of the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District for Evaporative Vapor Recovery. The locations and dimensions of all required EVR equipment shall be shown on the building plans.
    - a. The housing and mounting structure of the EVR equipment shall be painted dark green in color to screen the equipment from view.
  12. Provide details of the car wash waste-water filtration and recycling system.
  13. Details showing compliance with fire department requirements.
  14. The following requirements of the approval by the Agricultural Policy Advisory Commission shall be met:
    - a. The following minimum setbacks shall be met from the proposed commercial development to the surrounding Commercial Agriculture zoned parcels: 56 feet (from APN 052-271-04) to the north, 15 feet (from APN 052-271-04) to the northeast, 190 feet (from APN 052-272-01 across Riverside Drive/Highway 129) to the south, and 74 feet (from APN 052-581-09 across Lee Road) to the west.
    - b. Final plans shall show the location of the vegetative buffering barrier (and any fences/walls used for the purpose of buffering adjacent agricultural land) which shall be composed of drought tolerant shrubbery. The shrubs utilized shall attain a minimum height of six feet upon maturity. Species type, plant sizes and spacing shall be indicated on the final plans for review and approval by Planning Department staff.
- B. Submit four copies of the approved Discretionary Permit with the Conditions of Approval attached. The Conditions of Approval shall be recorded prior to submittal, if applicable.
- C. Provide a copy of final water and sanitary sewer service approval from the City of Watsonville.
- D. Meet all requirements of and pay Zone 7 drainage fees to the County Department of Public Works, Stormwater Management. Drainage fees will be assessed on the net increase in impervious area.
1. Provide recorded maintenance agreement for the permeable pavement. Include maintenance recommendations and identify who is responsible for maintenance on the final plans. The agreement shall also provide wording

- to the effect that future resurfacing of pervious with impermeable material is not permissible.
2. Please provide measures for preventing debris from entering the detention facilities in order to minimize future clogging and maintenance.
  3. Describe how all trash and storage areas are designed to prevent storm water pollution.
  4. Please note on the plans a provision for permanent bold markings at each inlet that reads: "NO DUMPING - DRAINS TO BAY".
  5. A drainage impact fee will be assessed on the net increase in impervious area. The fees are currently \$1.00 per square foot, and are assessed upon permit issuance. Reduced fees are assessed for semi-pervious surfacing to offset costs and encourage more extensive use of these materials.
- E. Meet all requirements and pay any applicable plan check fee of CalFire (County Fire Department).
- F. Submit 3 copies of a revised soils report, which addresses foundation design and site conditions, prepared and stamped by a licensed geotechnical engineer.
- G. Submit 3 copies of a plan review letter prepared and stamped by a licensed geotechnical engineer.
- H. The project architect or civil engineer must complete the following federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) document prior to building permit approval: "Flood Proofing Certificate for Non-Residential Structures (FEMA Form 81-65)" and submit to Environmental Planning for review.
- I. Complete and record the Declaration of Geologic Hazards document (provided to you with the Geologic Hazards Assessment). **You may not alter the wording of this declaration.** Follow the instructions to record and return the form to the Planning Department.
- J. The structure design shall comply with the following flood-proofing requirements:
1. All non-residential structures shall be flood-proofed so that below an elevation one foot higher than the one-hundred year flood level, the structure is watertight with walls substantially impermeable to the passage of water based on structural designs, specifications and plans developed or reviewed by a registered professional engineer or architect (Section 16.10.070 (vii) (A)).
  2. All non-residential structures shall be capable of resisting hydrostatic and hydrodynamic loads and effects of buoyancy (Section 16.10.070 (vii) (B)).

- K. In order to mitigate the potential offset of structures as a result of liquefaction-induced settlement on utilities, the plans shall be revised to incorporate flexible utility connections.
  - L. Pay the current fees for Child Care mitigation for 4,522 square feet of new building area (including a credit of 2,128 square feet from the existing gas station). At the time of report preparation, these (Category II) fees are \$0.23 per square foot, but the fees are subject to change.
  - M. Provide required off-street parking for 33 cars, as depicted on the approved Exhibit "A" for this permit. All non-compact parking spaces shall be at least 8.5 feet wide by 18 feet long and shall be located entirely outside vehicular rights-of way. No more than 10 percent of the required off-street parking spaces may be compact spaces. All compact parking spaces shall be at least 7.5 feet wide by 16 feet long and shall be located entirely outside vehicular rights-of way. Parking shall be clearly designated on the plot plan.
  - N. Submit a written statement signed by an authorized representative of the school district in which the project is located confirming payment in full of all applicable developer fees and other requirements lawfully imposed by the school district.
  - O. The owner shall record a Statement of Acknowledgement, as prepared by the Planning Department, and submit proof of recordation to the Planning Department. The statement of Acknowledgement acknowledges the adjacent agricultural land use and the agricultural buffer setbacks.
- III. All construction shall be performed according to the approved plans for the Building Permit. Prior to final building inspection, the applicant/owner must meet the following conditions:
- A. All site improvements shown on the final approved Building Permit plans shall be installed.
  - B. All inspections required by the building permit shall be completed to the satisfaction of the County Building Official.
  - C. All required permits for the sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages (beer & wine) shall be obtained from the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.
  - D. The project must comply with all recommendations of the approved soils reports and soils report addendums.
  - E. All non-residential structures shall be certified by a registered professional engineer or architect that flood-proofing standards and requirements have been complied with; the certification shall indicate the elevation to which flood-

proofing was achieved prior to a final building inspection (Section 16.10.070 (vii) (C)).

- F. Pursuant to Sections 16.40.040 and 16.42.100 of the County Code, if at any time during site preparation, excavation, or other ground disturbance associated with this development, any artifact or other evidence of an historic archaeological resource or a Native American cultural site is discovered, the responsible persons shall immediately cease and desist from all further site excavation and notify the Sheriff-Coroner if the discovery contains human remains, or the Planning Director if the discovery contains no human remains. The procedures established in Sections 16.40.040 and 16.42.100, shall be observed.

#### IV. Operational Conditions

- A. **Master Occupancy Program (Gas Station, Convenience Store & Restaurant):** Given the location of the project with respect to existing agricultural and commercial uses, all change of use requests shall be processed at level 3 to permit a thorough review of possible impacts. Any change in the size or square footage of retail or restaurant spaces (indoor or outdoor) shall be considered as a change of use for this purpose.

**The following additional restrictions apply to all uses:**

1. No outdoor storage is permitted.
  2. Advertising is limited to the sign areas depicted in the approved Exhibit "A" for this permit. No other signage, banners, posters, flags, balloons or other forms of decoration are allowed.
- B. Sale of beer and wine shall be limited as follows (in addition to all State and local laws regulating the sale of alcoholic beverages):
1. The sale of beer and wine shall be for off-premises consumption only.
  2. The sale of beer and wine shall be from the convenience store only. Beer, wine, or other alcoholic beverages are not allowed to be served in the restaurant area.
  3. The sale of hard alcohol is prohibited by this permit.
  4. No display of beer and/or wine shall be permitted within five feet of the cash register or of the front door.
  5. No advertisement or advertising of beer and/or wine shall be permitted on or at motor vehicle fuel islands.
  6. No sale of beer and/or wine shall be permitted from a drive-in window.

7. No sale or display of beer and/or wine shall be permitted from an ice tub.
  8. No self-illuminated advertising for beer and/or wine shall be located on buildings or in windows.
  9. Employees on duty who sell beer and/or wine at gas stations shall be at least 21 years of age.
  10. The sale of beer and wine shall be reviewed in 5 years from the effective date of this permit.
- C. Fuel pump assistance shall be provided, when necessary, during any hours that the gas station is open for business.
- D. The car wash shall utilize a waste-water filtration and recycling system to reduce water consumption.
- E. In the event that future County inspections of the subject property disclose noncompliance with any Conditions of this approval or any violation of the County Code, the owner shall pay to the County the full cost of such County inspections, including any follow-up inspections and/or necessary enforcement actions, up to and including permit revocation.
- V. As a condition of this development approval, the holder of this development approval ("Development Approval Holder"), is required to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the COUNTY, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any claim (including attorneys' fees), against the COUNTY, its officers, employees, and agents to attack, set aside, void, or annul this development approval of the COUNTY or any subsequent amendment of this development approval which is requested by the Development Approval Holder.
- A. COUNTY shall promptly notify the Development Approval Holder of any claim, action, or proceeding against which the COUNTY seeks to be defended, indemnified, or held harmless. COUNTY shall cooperate fully in such defense. If COUNTY fails to notify the Development Approval Holder within sixty (60) days of any such claim, action, or proceeding, or fails to cooperate fully in the defense thereof, the Development Approval Holder shall not thereafter be responsible to defend, indemnify, or hold harmless the COUNTY if such failure to notify or cooperate was significantly prejudicial to the Development Approval Holder.
- B. Nothing contained herein shall prohibit the COUNTY from participating in the defense of any claim, action, or proceeding if both of the following occur:
1. COUNTY bears its own attorney's fees and costs; and
  2. COUNTY defends the action in good faith.

- C. Settlement. The Development Approval Holder shall not be required to pay or perform any settlement unless such Development Approval Holder has approved the settlement. When representing the County, the Development Approval Holder shall not enter into any stipulation or settlement modifying or affecting the interpretation or validity of any of the terms or conditions of the development approval without the prior written consent of the County.
- D. Successors Bound. "Development Approval Holder" shall include the applicant and the successor'(s) in interest, transferee(s), and assign(s) of the applicant.

## VI. Mitigation Monitoring Program

The mitigation measures listed under this heading have been incorporated in the conditions of approval for this project in order to mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment. As required by Section 21081.6 of the California Public Resources Code, a monitoring and reporting program for the above mitigation is hereby adopted as a condition of approval for this project. This program is specifically described following each mitigation measure listed below. The purpose of this monitoring is to ensure compliance with the environmental mitigations during project implementation and operation. Failure to comply with the conditions of approval, including the terms of the adopted monitoring program, may result in permit revocation pursuant to section 18.10.462 of the Santa Cruz County Code.

- A. Mitigation Measure: Liquefaction (Condition II.K)
  - 1. Monitoring Program: In order to mitigate the potential offsets of structures as a result of liquefaction-induced settlements on utilities, prior to building permit issuance the applicant shall revise the project plans to incorporate flexible utility connections.
- B. Mitigation Measure: Flooding (Conditions II.J.1 & 2)
  - 1. Monitoring Program: In order to mitigate the potential hazards from flooding, prior to building permit issuance the applicant shall revise the project plans to show the finished floor of the proposed structure is elevated above the base flood elevation or that all structures meet minimum FEMA flood-proofing standards (through watertight construction, or allowing water to pass through the structure during flood events).
- C. Mitigation Measure: Water & Sewer Service (Conditions I.C & II.C)
  - 1. Monitoring Program: In order to ensure that water and sewer service will be available to the proposed development, a will serve letter from the City of Watsonville for these services shall be obtained by the applicant prior to building permit application.

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Owner: Khosrow Haghshenas

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Minor variations to this permit which do not affect the overall concept or density may be approved by the Planning Director at the request of the applicant or staff in accordance with Chapter 18.10 of the County Code.

**Please note: This permit expires three years from the effective date listed below unless a building permit (or permits) is obtained for the primary structure described in the development permit (does not include demolition, temporary power pole or other site preparation permits, or accessory structures unless these are the primary subject of the development permit). Failure to exercise the building permit and to complete all of the construction under the building permit, resulting in the expiration of the building permit, will void the development permit, unless there are special circumstances as determined by the Planning Director.**

Approval Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Effective Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Don Bussey  
Deputy Zoning Administrator

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Randall Adams  
Project Planner

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Appeals: Any property owner, or other person aggrieved, or any other person whose interests are adversely affected by any act or determination of the Zoning Administrator, may appeal the act or determination to the Planning Commission in accordance with chapter 18.10 of the Santa Cruz County Code.

**Mitigated Negative Declaration  
(CEQA Determination)**

**Application Number 08-0480  
Zoning Administrator Hearing  
1/15/10**



# COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

## PLANNING DEPARTMENT

701 OCEAN STREET, 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR, SANTA CRUZ, CA 95060  
(831) 454-2580 FAX: (831) 454-2131 TDD: (831) 454-2123

TOM BURNS, PLANNING DIRECTOR

### NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

**Application Number: 08-0480      200 LEE ROAD, WATSONVILLE      APN(S): 052-271-03**

Proposal to demolish an existing gas station, to construct a replacement gas station with a convenience store, restaurant, car wash, and associated improvements, and to allow beer and wine sales. The conversion of the existing gas station from full service to self service (with fuel pump assistance) is included in this proposal. Requires a Coastal Development Permit, Commercial Development Permit (this permit amends Commercial Development Permits 75-962-PD, 84-1019-CDP & 94-0395), Variances to decrease the required setback to adjacent CA zoned land from 30 feet to 15 feet at the car wash, to increase the maximum free standing sign height from 7 feet to about 40 feet (for the freeway monument sign), to increase the maximum sign area from 50 square feet to about 337 square feet, and to locate a sign closer than 5 feet from the edge of a vehicular right of way, an Agricultural Buffer Determination, Flood Geologic Hazards Assessment, Soils Report Review, and Preliminary Grading Review for 242 cubic yards (cut), 232 cubic yards (fill), over-excavation of 280 cubic yards, and re-compaction of 430 cubic yards of earth. Property located on the east side of Lee Road, at the northeast corner of Highway 1 and Highway 129, in Watsonville. (200 Lee Road)

**Zone District: (Z D classification)**

**OWNER: Khosrow Haghshenas**

**APPLICANT: Dee Murray**

**STAFF PLANNER: Randall Adams, 454-3218**

**EMAIL: pln515@co.santa-cruz.ca.us**

**ACTION: NEGATIVE DECLARATION WITH MITIGATIONS**

**REVIEW PERIOD ENDS: NOVEMBER 26, 2009**

**This project will be considered at a public hearing by the Zoning Administrator. The time, date, and location have not been set. When scheduling does occur, these items will be included in all public hearing notices for the project.**

Findings:

This project, if conditioned to comply with required mitigation measures or conditions shown below, will not have significant effect on the environment. The expected environmental impacts of the project are documented in the Initial Study on this project, attached to the original of this notice on file with the Planning Department, County of Santa Cruz, 701 Ocean Street, Santa Cruz, California.

Required Mitigation Measures or Conditions:

\_\_\_\_\_ None  
XX Are Attached

Review Period Ends: November 26, 2009

Date Approved By Environmental Coordinator: Dec 4, 2009

Claudia Slater  
CLAUDIA SLATER  
Environmental Coordinator  
(831) 454-5175

If this project is approved, complete and file this notice with the Clerk of the Board:  
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**EXHIBIT D**

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

The Final Approval of This Project was Granted by \_\_\_\_\_

on \_\_\_\_\_ No EIR was prepared under CEQA.  
(Date)

THE PROJECT WAS DETERMINED TO NOT HAVE SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

Date completed notice filed with Clerk of the Board: \_\_\_\_\_



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### NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PERIOD

#### SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

APPLICANT:                     Khosrow Haghshenas                    

APPLICATION NO.:                     08-0480                    

APN:                     052-271-03                    

The Environmental Coordinator has reviewed the Initial Study for your application and made the following preliminary determination:

    XX     Negative Declaration  
(Your project will not have a significant impact on the environment.)

    XX     Mitigations will be attached to the Negative Declaration.

           No mitigations will be attached.

           Environmental Impact Report  
(Your project may have a significant effect on the environment. An EIR must be prepared to address the potential impacts.)

As part of the environmental review process required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this is your opportunity to respond to the preliminary determination before it is finalized. Please contact Matt Johnston, Environmental Coordinator at (831) 454-3201, if you wish to comment on the preliminary determination. Written comments will be received until 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the review period.

Review Period Ends:                     November 26, 2009                    

Staff Planner:                     Randall Adams                    

Phone:                     (831) 454-3218                    

Date:                     October 22, 2009

NAME: Haghshenas  
APPLICATION: 08-0480  
A.P.N: 052-271-03

### **NEGATIVE DECLARATION MITIGATIONS**

1. In order to mitigate the potential offsets of structures as a result of liquefaction-induced settlements on utilities, prior issuance of the building permit, the applicant shall revise the project plans to incorporate flexible utility connections.
2. In order to mitigate potential hazards from flooding, prior issuance of the building permit, the plans shall be revised to show the finished floor of the proposed structure is elevated above the base flood elevation and that all structures meet minimum FEMA flood-proofing standards (through watertight construction, or allowing water to pass through the structure in flood events).
3. In order to ensure that water and sewer service will be available to the proposed development, a will serve letter from the City of Watsonville for these services will be required prior to application for a building permit.



# Environmental Review Initial Study

Application Number: **08-0480**

Date: 10/19/09  
Staff Planner: Randall Adams

## I. OVERVIEW AND ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

**APPLICANT:** Dee Murray

**APN:** 052-271-03

**OWNER:** Khosrow Haghshenas

**SUPERVISORAL DISTRICT:** 2nd

**LOCATION:** Property located on the east side of Lee Road, at the northeast corner of Highway 1 and Highway 129, in Watsonville. (200 Lee Road) (Attachment 1)

### **SUMMARY PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

Proposal to demolish an existing gas station, to construct a replacement gas station with a convenience store, restaurant, car wash, and associated improvements, and to allow beer and wine sales. The conversion of the existing gas station from full service to self service (with fuel pump assistance) is included in this proposal.

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**ALL OF THE FOLLOWING POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ARE EVALUATED IN THIS INITIAL STUDY. CATEGORIES THAT ARE MARKED HAVE BEEN ANALYZED IN GREATER DETAIL BASED ON PROJECT SPECIFIC INFORMATION.**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geology/Soils                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Noise                                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hydrology/Water Supply/Water Quality | <input type="checkbox"/> Air Quality                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biological Resources                            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Services & Utilities |

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Energy & Natural Resources    | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Use, Population & Housing     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Visual Resources & Aesthetics | <input type="checkbox"/> Cumulative Impacts                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Resources                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Growth Inducement                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hazards & Hazardous Materials | <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory Findings of Significance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation/Traffic                   |   |

**DISCRETIONARY APPROVAL(S) BEING CONSIDERED**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Amendment                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grading Permit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Division                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Riparian Exception        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rezoning                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Development Permit         |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coastal Development Permit |  |

**NON-LOCAL APPROVALS**

Other agencies that must issue permits or authorizations:

Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District - Demolition Permit

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW ACTION**

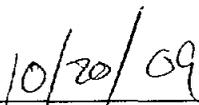
On the basis of this Initial Study and supporting documents:

I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.

I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because the attached mitigation measures have been added to the project. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.

I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Matt Johnston

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

For: Claudia Slater  
Environmental Coordinator

## II. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

### EXISTING SITE CONDITIONS

**Parcel Size:** 1 acre  
**Existing Land Use:** Service station  
**Vegetation:** Decorative landscaping  
**Slope in area affected by project:**  0 - 30%  31 - 100%  
**Nearby Watercourse:** Pajaro River  
**Distance To:** 3700 feet

### ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND CONSTRAINTS

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| <b>Groundwater Supply:</b> N/A                    | <b>Liquefaction:</b> Very high potential |
| <b>Water Supply Watershed:</b> Not Mapped         | <b>Fault Zone:</b> Not Mapped            |
| <b>Groundwater Recharge:</b> Not Mapped           | <b>Scenic Corridor:</b> Highway 1        |
| <b>Timber or Mineral:</b> Not Mapped              | <b>Historic:</b> Not Mapped              |
| <b>Agricultural Resource:</b> Ag. Resource        | <b>Archaeology:</b> Not Mapped           |
| <b>Biologically Sensitive Habitat:</b> Not Mapped | <b>Noise Constraint:</b> N/A             |
| <b>Fire Hazard:</b> Not Mapped                    | <b>Electric Power Lines:</b> N/A         |
| <b>Floodplain:</b> Pajaro River floodplain        | <b>Solar Access:</b> Adequate            |
| <b>Erosion:</b> Not Mapped                        | <b>Solar Orientation:</b> Level          |
| <b>Landslide:</b> Not Mapped                      | <b>Hazardous Materials:</b> Gas station  |

### SERVICES

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| <b>Fire Protection:</b> CalFire             | <b>Drainage District:</b> Zone 7         |
| <b>School District:</b> PVUSD               | <b>Project Access:</b> Lee Road          |
| <b>Sewage Disposal:</b> City of Watsonville | <b>Water Supply:</b> City of Watsonville |

### PLANNING POLICIES

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| <b>Zone District:</b> CT (Tourist Commercial)                   | <b>Special Designation:</b> W (Watsonville Utilities Combining District)   |
| <b>General Plan:</b> C-N (Neighborhood Commercial)              |  |
| <b>Urban Services Line:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Inside     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Outside (Property is served by existing urban services from the City of Watsonville) |
| <b>Coastal Zone:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Inside | <input type="checkbox"/> Outside   |

## **PROJECT SETTING AND BACKGROUND:**

The subject property is approximately 1 acre in size and is located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Highway 1 and Highway 129. The address is 200 Lee Road, in Watsonville. An existing gas station is located on the property and the primary groundcover is asphalt or concrete with some decorative landscape plantings on the perimeter. The property is relatively level and is located within the flood plain of the Pajaro River to the east. Surrounding uses include agricultural fields to the north, west, and south, and Highway 1 is located to the east of the subject property. Although the parcel is located outside of the Urban Services Line, the existing gas station is served (water and sewer) by the City of Watsonville.

## **DETAILED PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

This application is a proposal to demolish an existing Chevron gas station and to construct a replacement gas station, convenience store, restaurant, and car wash of approximately 6,650 square feet with a fuel canopy of approximately 2,950 square feet on a 1 acre parcel. (Attachment 2) The convenience store is proposed to include beer and wine sales. The proposed station is proposed to be self service and would no longer provide mechanical services for motorists (mechanical services were discontinued an undetermined number of years ago), but an attendant would be on duty to assist with fuel pumping for individuals who require assistance in fueling their vehicles.

The access to the property is from two existing driveways to Lee Road. Signage is proposed between the two driveways, as well as on a monument sign at the east side of the property, on the building, and fuel canopy. Parking is proposed along the north and south sides of the property, in front of the convenience store/restaurant, and at the fuel islands.

Grading is proposed to prepare the site for the new structure and associated improvements. Grading volumes would be approximately 242 cubic yards (cut) and 235 cubic yards (fill), with 7 cubic yards to be exported off site. An additional 280 cubic yards is proposed to be removed from the site within the building footprint, and 430 cubic yards are proposed to be excavated and re-compacted below the proposed building. The earthwork would accommodate the proposed building without resulting in any substantial change to existing grades on the project site. Landscaping is proposed on the periphery of the project site.

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| Significant<br>Or<br>Potentially<br>Significant<br>Impact | Less than<br>Significant<br>with<br>Mitigation<br>Incorporation | Less than<br>Significant<br>Or<br>No Impact | Not<br>Applicable |
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### III. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW CHECKLIST

#### A. Geology and Soils

Does the project have the potential to:

1. Expose people or structures to potential adverse effects, including the risk of material loss, injury, or death involving:

A. Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or as identified by other substantial evidence?

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B. Seismic ground shaking?

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C. Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?

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D. Landslides?

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All of Santa Cruz County is subject to some hazard from earthquakes. However, the project site is not located within or adjacent to a county or State mapped fault zone. A geotechnical investigation for the proposed project was performed by Ali M. Oskoorouchi, dated 9/15/08 (Attachment 3). The report concluded that seismic shaking can be managed through proper foundation design, that landslides are not a potential hazard, and that the potential for liquefaction can be managed through proper foundation design. The report has been reviewed by Environmental Planning staff (Attachment 4). The implementation of the additional recommendations to conform to the requirements of the California Building Code for foundation design, as described in the review letter prepared by Environmental Planning staff, will serve to further reduce the potential risk of seismic shaking and associated liquefaction on the proposed development.

In order to mitigate the potential offsets of structures as a result of liquefaction-induced settlements on utilities, prior to recordation of the final map the applicant shall revise the project plans to incorporate flexible utility connections.

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2. Subject people or improvements to damage from soil instability as a result of on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, to subsidence, liquefaction, or structural collapse?

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See response A-1above.

3. Develop land with a slope exceeding 30%?

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4. Result in soil erosion or the substantial loss of topsoil?

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Some potential for erosion exists during the construction phase of the project, however, this potential is minimal because standard erosion controls are a required condition of the project. Prior to approval of a grading or building permit, the project must have an approved Erosion Control Plan, which will specify detailed erosion and sedimentation control measures. The plan will include provisions for disturbed areas to be planted with ground cover and to be maintained to minimize surface erosion.

5. Be located on expansive soil, as defined in section 1802.3.2 of the 2009 California Building Code, creating substantial risks to property?

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The geotechnical report for the project did not identify any elevated risk associated with expansive soils.

6. Place sewage disposal systems in areas dependent upon soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks, leach fields, or alternative waste water disposal systems?

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No septic systems are proposed. The existing development is connected to the City of Watsonville sanitary sewer system and the proposed development would be connected to the City of Watsonville for sanitary sewer service.

7. Result in coastal cliff erosion?

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**B. Hydrology, Water Supply and Water Quality**

Does the project have the potential to:

1. Place development within a 100-year flood hazard area? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

According to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) National Flood Insurance Rate Map, dated March 2, 2006, the project site is within a 100-year flood hazard area. A Flood Geologic Hazards Assessment was prepared by Planning Department staff (Attachment 5) to evaluate the potential hazards from flooding. The Flood GHA determined that the 100 year base flood elevation for the site is in the range of 1-3 feet above existing grade, with an average of 1 foot above existing grade, and identified mitigations to address hazards from potential flooding. In order to mitigate potential hazards from flooding, the finished floor of the proposed structure is required to be elevated above the base flood elevation and to meet minimum FEMA flood-proofing standards (through watertight construction, or allowing water to pass through the structure in flood events).

2. Place development within the floodway resulting in impedance or redirection of flood flows? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

According to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) National Flood Insurance Rate Map, dated March 2, 2006, the project site is not within a mapped floodway area.

3. Be inundated by a seiche or tsunami? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_
4. Deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit, or a significant contribution to an existing net deficit in available supply, or a significant lowering of the local groundwater table? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The project would continue to obtain water from the City of Watsonville and would not rely on private well water. The project is not located in a mapped groundwater recharge area.

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5. Degrade a public or private water supply? (Including the contribution of urban contaminants, nutrient enrichments, or other agricultural chemicals or seawater intrusion). \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The project would replace an existing gas station and would include gasoline and diesel storage tanks below ground. The potential for leaks, spills, or overflow of gasoline or diesel from these tanks does exist and could result in the contamination of groundwater supplies. However, the use of standard engineering practices for underground storage tanks to prevent such events, and monitoring required by the County Department of Environmental Health Services (to identify any leaks or spills at an early stage) reduces the potential for such contamination to a less than significant level.

Driveway and parking area runoff may contain urban contaminants. A silt and grease trap, and a plan for maintenance, is required as a standard condition of approval to reduce this potential impact to a less than significant level.

6. Degrade septic system functioning? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

There is no indication that any existing septic systems in the vicinity would be affected by the project.

7. Alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which could result in flooding, erosion, or siltation on or off-site? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The proposed project would not alter the existing overall drainage pattern of the site. Department of Public Works Drainage Section staff has reviewed and approved the proposed drainage plan.

8. Create or contribute runoff which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned storm water drainage systems, or create additional source(s) of polluted runoff? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

Drainage Calculations prepared by Bowman & Williams, revised 6/15/09 (Attachment 6), have been reviewed and accepted by the Department of Public Works (DPW) Drainage Section staff (Attachment 7). The calculations show that the proposed development will result in a negligible increase in drainage flows from the existing conditions (an increase of .02 CFM for both 10 and 25 year storm events). The runoff

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rate from the property will be controlled by pervious pavement with subsurface rock storage. DPW staff have determined that existing storm water facilities are adequate to handle the increase in drainage associated with the project. Refer to response B-5 for discussion of urban contaminants and/or other polluting runoff.

9. Contribute to flood levels or erosion in natural water courses by discharges of newly collected runoff? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

See response B-8above.

10. Otherwise substantially degrade water supply or quality? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

See responses B-5 & B-8above. No other potential impacts to water supply or quality have been identified.

**C. Biological Resources**

Does the project have the potential to:

1. Have an adverse effect on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species, in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game, or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

According to the California Natural Diversity Data Base (CNDDDB), maintained by the California Department of Fish and Game, there are no known special status plant or animal species in the site vicinity, and there were no special status species observed in the project area. The lack of suitable habitat and the disturbed nature of the site make it unlikely that any special status plant or animal species occur in the area.

2. Have an adverse effect on a sensitive biotic community (riparian corridor), wetland, native grassland, special forests, intertidal zone, etc.)? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

There are no mapped or designated sensitive biotic communities on or adjacent to the project site.

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3. Interfere with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species, or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native or migratory wildlife nursery sites? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The proposed project does not involve any activities that would interfere with the movements or migrations of fish or wildlife, or impede use of a known wildlife nursery site.

4. Produce nighttime lighting that will illuminate animal habitats? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The existing use currently generates nighttime lighting and any increase in nighttime lighting would not illuminate animal habitats. There are no sensitive animal habitats within or adjacent to the project site.

5. Make a significant contribution to the reduction of the number of species of plants or animals? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

See response C-1 & C-2above.

6. Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources (such as the Significant Tree Protection Ordinance, Sensitive Habitat Ordinance, provisions of the Design Review ordinance protecting trees with trunk sizes of 6 inch diameters or greater)? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The project would not conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources.

7. Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Biotic Conservation Easement, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

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**D. Energy and Natural Resources**

Does the project have the potential to:

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| 1. Affect or be affected by land designated as "Timber Resources" by the General Plan?  | _____ | _____ | _____         | _____ X _____ |
| 2. Affect or be affected by lands currently utilized for agriculture, or designated in the General Plan for agricultural use? | _____ | _____ | _____ X _____ | _____         |

The project is adjacent to land used for commercial agriculture and designated as an agricultural resource. The project was evaluated by the Agricultural Policy Advisory Commission on 5/21/09 and a reduced setback for the proposed development from adjacent agricultural uses was granted. Due to the commercial nature of the existing and proposed gas station on the project site, there would not be any residential-agricultural land use conflicts. The subject property is designated as an agricultural resource, but the property has been occupied by a gas station since before the adoption of the County General Plan and Agricultural Preservation ordinance. The proposed development would not displace or adversely affect any ongoing or future agricultural uses in the project vicinity.

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| 3. Encourage activities that result in the use of large amounts of fuel, water, or energy, or use of these in a wasteful manner? | _____ | _____ | _____ X _____ | _____ |
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The proposed gas station will include a convenience store, restaurant, and car wash. All of these uses would comply with the requirements of the California Building Code for energy efficiency and the car wash will use re-circulated water to avoid excess water consumption.

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| 4. Have a substantial effect on the potential use, extraction, or depletion of a natural resource (i.e., minerals or energy resources)? | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ X _____ |
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**E. Visual Resources and Aesthetics**

Does the project have the potential to:

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| 1. Have an adverse effect on a scenic resource, including visual obstruction of that resource? | _____ | _____ | _____ X _____ | _____ |
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The subject property is located within the viewshed of the Highway One scenic corridor. The existing development includes a building, fuel canopy, two monument signs, and nighttime lighting that are all visible from Highway One. The proposed development will replace the existing building, fuel canopy, and signage with an expanded building, fuel canopy, and a single monument sign with additional sign panels. Existing trees screen views of the property from portions of Highway One, but the property is still visible from a number of points on the highway. Given the location of the property below the highway and the presence of existing trees, a monument sign and associated lighting are necessary for the gas station (which serves motorists traveling on Highway One) to be seen from the highway in time for motorists to exit. The removal of one of the two monument signs is proposed to reduce potential visual impacts to the scenic resource. The proposed structure has also been designed (through articulation, and selection of roof and siding materials and colors) to improve the architectural character of the structure and to reduce potential visual impacts to the scenic resource. Given all of these factors, and the visual impact of the existing development, the net visual impact of the proposed development on the scenic resource would be less than significant.

2. Substantially damage scenic resources, within a designated scenic corridor or public view shed area including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

See response C-1 above.

3. Degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings, including substantial change in topography or ground surface relief features, and/or development on a ridge line?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The existing gas station is located at a highway off-ramp and is adjacent to existing agricultural development. The proposed project is designed to replace the existing gas station with a building of improved architecture and additional landscaping. The proposed development would not degrade the existing visual character of the site or surroundings.

4. Create a new source of light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?

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The existing use currently generates nighttime lighting.

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5. Destroy, cover, or modify any unique geologic or physical feature? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

There are no unique geological or physical features on or adjacent to the site that would be destroyed, covered, or modified by the project.

**F. Cultural Resources**

Does the project have the potential to:

1. Cause an adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in CEQA Guidelines 15064.5? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The existing structure on the property is not designated as a historic resource on any federal, State or local inventory.

2. Cause an adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15064.5? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

No archeological resources have been identified in the project area. Pursuant to County Code Section 16.40.040, if at any time in the preparation for or process of excavating or otherwise disturbing the ground, any human remains of any age, or any artifact or other evidence of a Native American cultural site which reasonably appears to exceed 100 years of age are discovered, the responsible persons shall immediately cease and desist from all further site excavation and comply with the notification procedures given in County Code Chapter 16.40.040.

3. Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

Pursuant to Section 16.40.040 of the Santa Cruz County Code, if at any time during site preparation, excavation, or other ground disturbance associated with this project, human remains are discovered, the responsible persons shall immediately cease and desist from all further site excavation and notify the sheriff-coroner and the Planning Director. If the coroner determines that the remains are not of recent origin, a full archeological report shall be prepared and representatives of the local Native California Indian group shall be contacted. Disturbance shall not resume until the significance of the archeological resource is determined and appropriate mitigations to preserve the resource on the site are established.

4. Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site? \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

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**G. Hazards and Hazardous Materials**

Does the project have the potential to:

1. Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment as a result of the routine transport, storage, use, or disposal of hazardous materials, not including gasoline or other motor fuels?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

No hazardous materials other than gasoline, other motor fuels, or associated materials would be stored or utilized on the project site.

2. Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The project site is included on the 9/17/09 list of hazardous sites in Santa Cruz County compiled pursuant to the specified code (Attachment 8) for gasoline and MTBE. The existing and proposed use of the subject property would be a gas station. All requirements of the County Department of Environmental Health Services for removal of existing underground storage tanks and cleanup of contaminated soils would be met during the construction phase of the project.

3. Create a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area as a result of dangers from aircraft using a public or private airport located within two miles of the project site?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The Watsonville Airport is over two miles from the project site.

4. Expose people to electro-magnetic fields associated with electrical transmission lines?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

5. Create a potential fire hazard?

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The project design incorporates all applicable fire safety code requirements and will include fire protection devices as required by the local fire agency.

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6. Release bio-engineered organisms or chemicals into the air outside of project buildings?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

**H. Transportation/Traffic**

Does the project have the potential to:

1. Cause an increase in traffic that is substantial in relation to the existing traffic load and capacity of the street system (i.e., substantial increase in either the number of vehicle trips, the volume to capacity ratio on roads, or congestion at intersections)?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The project would create a small incremental increase in traffic on nearby roads and intersections due to the inclusion of the additional restaurant use and expanded convenience store. However, given the small number of new trips created by the expansion of the existing gas station, this increase is less than significant. Further, the increase would not cause the Level of Service at any nearby intersection to drop below Level of Service D.

2. Cause an increase in parking demand which cannot be accommodated by existing parking facilities?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

Parking spaces for the proposed development will be increased to accommodate the new uses. Sufficient parking for the proposed uses will be located in marked spaces at the edges of the circulation areas as well as at the fuel pump islands (for customers who are fueling and purchasing products at the same time).

3. Increase hazards to motorists, bicyclists, or pedestrians?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

Access would be from the existing driveways on Lee Road and the fuel price sign would be located between the two driveways in a manner to not obstruct vehicular sight distance at the intersection of Lee Road and Highway 129. The proposed project would not result in an increased potential hazards to motorists, bicyclists, and/or pedestrians.

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4. Exceed, either individually (the project alone) or cumulatively (the project combined with other development), a level of service standard established by the county congestion management agency for designated intersections, roads or highways?

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See response H-1 above.

**I. Noise**

Does the project have the potential to:

1. Generate a permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?

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The project would result in an incremental increase in the existing noise environment. However, this increase would be small, and would be similar in character to noise generated by the existing gas station use.

2. Expose people to noise levels in excess of standards established in the General Plan, or applicable standards of other agencies?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

Per County policy, average hourly noise levels shall not exceed the General Plan threshold of 50 Leq during the day and 45 Leq during the nighttime. Impulsive noise levels shall not exceed 65 db during the day or 60 db at night. The proposed replacement gas station building is located approximately 500 feet from the southbound lane of Highway One. Additionally, the spaces where people would shop and/or dine would be located within the interior of the commercial building with doorway openings on the opposite side of the building from the highway. For these reasons, it is unlikely that people within the building will be exposed to noise in excess of the specified range. Given the limited duration that customers would be outdoors (while fueling, etc.), exposure to outdoor traffic noise is considered as less than significant.

3. Generate a temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?

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Noise generated during construction would increase the ambient noise levels for adjoining areas. Construction would be temporary, however, and given the limited duration of this impact it is considered to be less than significant.

**J. Air Quality**

Does the project have the potential to:  
(Where available, the significance criteria established by the MBUAPCD may be relied upon to make the following determinations).

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| 1. Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation? | _____ | _____ | X<br>_____ | _____ |
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The North Central Coast Air Basin does not meet State standards for ozone and particulate matter (PM10). Therefore, the regional pollutants of concern that would be emitted by the project are ozone precursors (Volatile Organic Compounds [VOCs] and nitrogen oxides [NOx]), and dust.

Given the modest amount of new traffic that would be generated by the project there is no indication that new emissions of VOCs or NOx would exceed Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District (MBUAPCD) thresholds for these pollutants and therefore there would not be a significant contribution to an existing air quality violation.

Project construction may result in a short-term, localized decrease in air quality due to generation of dust. However, standard dust control best management practices, such as periodic watering and covering spoils piles, will be required during construction to reduce impacts to a less than significant level.

MBUAPCD staff provided comments for this application (Attachment 9) regarding demolition of the existing gas station building. A demolition permit will be required from the district and all air district requirements will apply to the building demolition.

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| 2. Conflict with or obstruct implementation of an adopted air quality plan? | _____ | _____ | X<br>_____ | _____ |
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The project would not conflict with or obstruct implementation of the regional air quality plan. See J-1 above.

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| 3. Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?  | _____ | _____ | _____ | X<br>_____ |
| 4. Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people? | _____ | _____ | _____ | X<br>_____ |

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**K. Public Services and Utilities**

Does the project have the potential to:

1. Result in the need for new or physically altered public facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times, or other performance objectives for any of the public services:

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| a. Fire protection?   | _____ | _____ | X<br>_____ | _____ |
| b. Police protection?   | _____ | _____ | X<br>_____ | _____ |
| c. Schools?   | _____ | _____ | X<br>_____ | _____ |
| d. Parks or other recreational activities?                      | _____ | _____ | X<br>_____ | _____ |
| e. Other public facilities; including the maintenance of roads? | _____ | _____ | X<br>_____ | _____ |

While the project represents an incremental contribution to the need for services, the increase would be minimal. Moreover, the project meets all of the standards and requirements identified by the local fire agency and school, park, and transportation fees paid by the applicant will be used to offset the incremental increase in demand for school and recreational facilities and public roads.

2. Result in the need for construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?

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Drainage analysis of the project prepared by Bowman and Williams (Attachment 6) concluded that existing downstream facilities are adequate to serve the proposed project.

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3. Result in the need for construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?

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The existing gas station is connected to the City of Watsonville for public water and sanitary sewer services. The proposed project would connect to the City of Watsonville for water and sewer service, however, correspondence from the City of Watsonville has not indicated that these urban services will be available for the replacement gas station (Attachment 10). In order to ensure that water and sewer service will be available to the proposed development, a will serve letter from the City of Watsonville for these services will be required prior to application for a building permit.

4. Cause a violation of wastewater treatment standards of the Regional Water Quality Control Board?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The project's wastewater flows would not violate any wastewater treatment standards.

5. Create a situation in which water supplies are inadequate to serve the project or provide fire protection?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The water mains serving the project site provide adequate flows and pressure for fire suppression. Additionally, the fire agency has reviewed and approved the project plans, assuring conformity with fire protection standards that include minimum requirements for water supply for fire protection.

6. Result in inadequate access for fire protection?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The existing access from Lee Road will remain unchanged. The local fire agency has reviewed and approved the plans including the existing and proposed access from Lee Road.

7. Make a significant contribution to a cumulative reduction of landfill capacity or ability to properly dispose of refuse?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The project would make an incremental contribution to the reduced capacity of regional landfills. However, this contribution would be relatively small and would be of similar

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magnitude to that created by existing land uses around the project.

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| 8. Result in a breach of federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste management? | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ X _____ |
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**L. Land Use, Population, and Housing**

Does the project have the potential to:

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| 1. Conflict with any policy of the County adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect? | _____ | _____ | _____ X _____ | _____ |
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The proposed project does not conflict with any policies adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect.

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| 2. Conflict with any County Code regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect? | _____ | _____ | _____ X _____ | _____ |
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The proposed project does not conflict with any regulations adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect.

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| 3. Physically divide an established community? | _____ | _____ | _____ X _____ | _____ |
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The project does not include any element that would physically divide an established community.

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| 4. Have a potentially significant growth inducing effect, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)? | _____ | _____ | _____ X _____ | _____ |
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The proposed project is designed at the density and intensity of development allowed by the General Plan and zoning designations for the parcel and will replace an existing gas station on the project site. The subject property is located within the (-W) Watsonville Utility Prohibition combining district which prohibits new connections to urban services (public water and sanitary sewer) on the coast side of Highway One in the Watsonville area. Although the subject property is not located within the Urban Services Line and is within the Watsonville Utility Prohibition combining district, the existing development is already served by public water and sanitary sewer service

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from the City of Watsonville. The project does not involve extensions of utilities (e.g., water, sewer, or new road systems) into areas previously not served. No new water lines or sanitary sewer lines would be proposed as a component of the project. Consequently, the project is not expected to have a significant growth-inducing effect.

- 5. Displace substantial numbers of people, or amount of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?

\_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

The proposed project does not involve the removal of housing units or the displacement of any existing development.

**M. Non-Local Approvals**

Does the project require approval of federal, state, or regional agencies?

Yes   X   No       

See response J-1 above. A demolition permit from the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District will be required.

**N. Mandatory Findings of Significance**

1. Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, substantially reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant, animal, or natural community, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?

Yes        No   X  

2. Does the project have the potential to achieve short term, to the disadvantage of long term environmental goals? (A short term impact on the environment is one which occurs in a relatively brief, definitive period of time while long term impacts endure well into the future)

Yes        No   X  

3. Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable ("cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, and the effects of reasonably foreseeable future projects which have entered the Environmental Review stage)?

Yes        No   X  

4. Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?

Yes        No   X

**TECHNICAL REVIEW CHECKLIST**

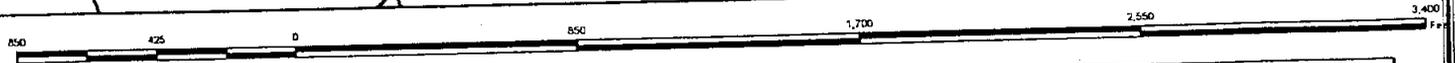
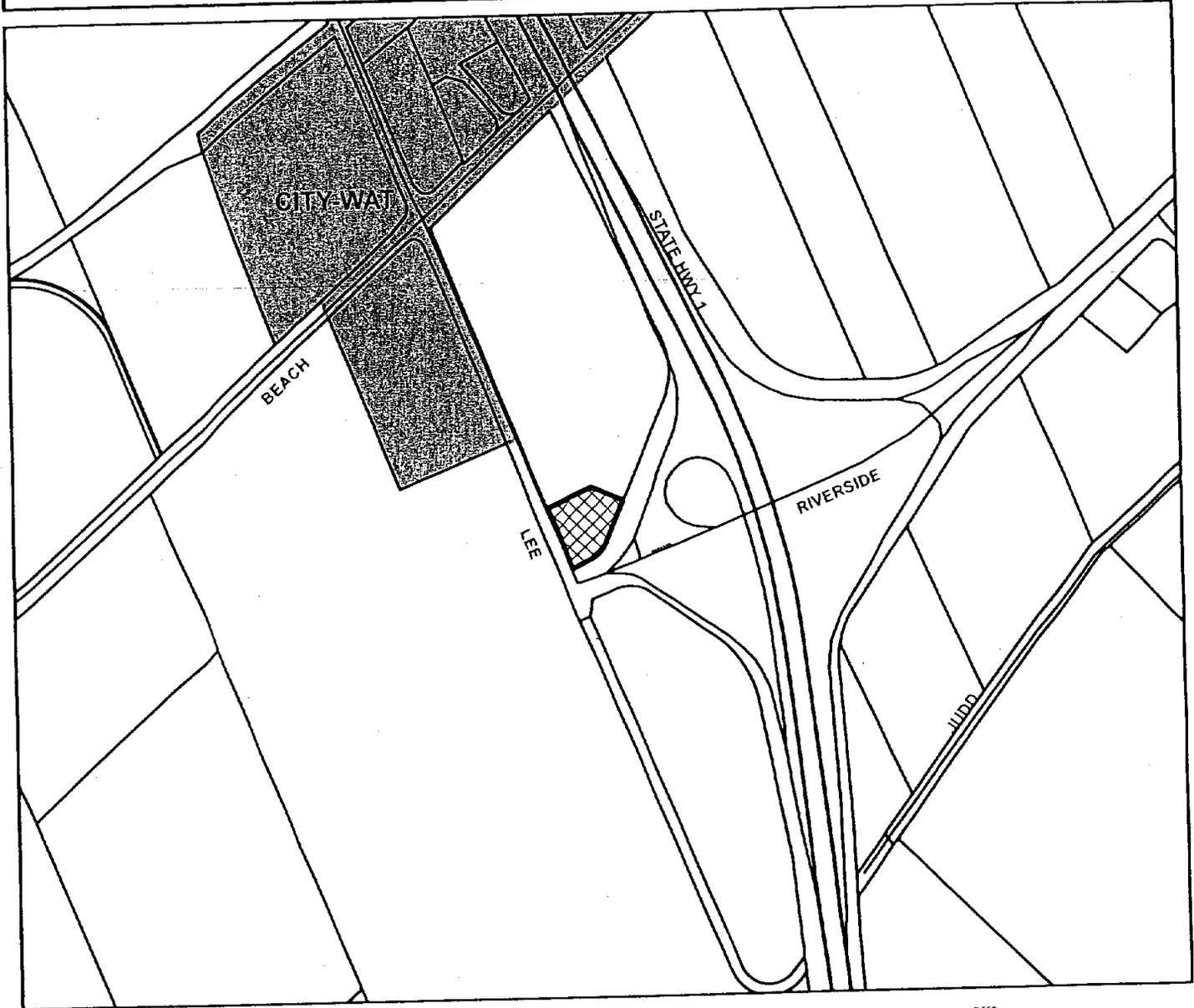
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| Archaeological Review                                 | _____           | _____            | _____      |
| Biotic Report/Assessment                              | _____           | _____            | _____      |
| Flood Geologic Hazards Assessment (GHA)               | _____           | XXX              | _____      |
| Geologic Report                                       | _____           | _____            | _____      |
| Geotechnical (Soils) Report                           | _____           | XXX              | _____      |
| Riparian Pre-Site                                     | _____           | _____            | _____      |
| Septic Lot Check                                      | _____           | _____            | _____      |
| Other:  | _____           | _____            | _____      |
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**Attachments:**

1. Location Map, Map of Zoning Districts, Map of General Plan Designations, Assessors Parcel Map
2. Architectural Plans prepared by Frank E. Areyano, Architect, dated 12/1/01 with revisions through 3/3/09; Preliminary Improvement Plans prepared by Bowman & Williams, revised 1/20/09; Landscape Plan prepared by Ali M. Oskoorouchi, dated 1/30/09;
3. Geotechnical Investigation (Conclusions and Recommendations) prepared by Ali M. Oskoorouchi, dated 9/15/08, and plan review letter, dated 6/23/09.
4. Geologic and Geotechnical Report Review Letter prepared by Carolyn Banti & Joe Hanna, dated 4/6/09.
5. Flood Geologic Hazards Assessment, prepared by Jessica Degrassi & Joe Hanna, dated 2/5/09.
6. Drainage calculations (Summary) prepared by Bowman & Williams, revised 6/15/09.
7. Discretionary Application Comments, dated 10/5/09.
8. Environmental Health Services Hazardous Sites List (page 19) dated 9/17/09.
9. Letter from Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District, dated 11/17/08.
10. Letter from City of Watsonville (water & sewer service), dated 9/3/08.

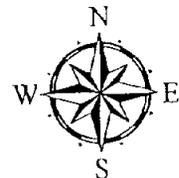


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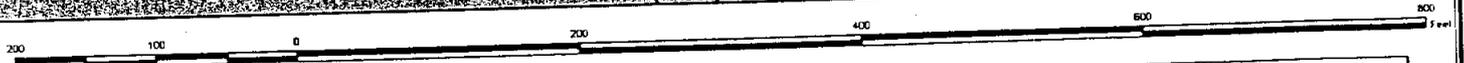
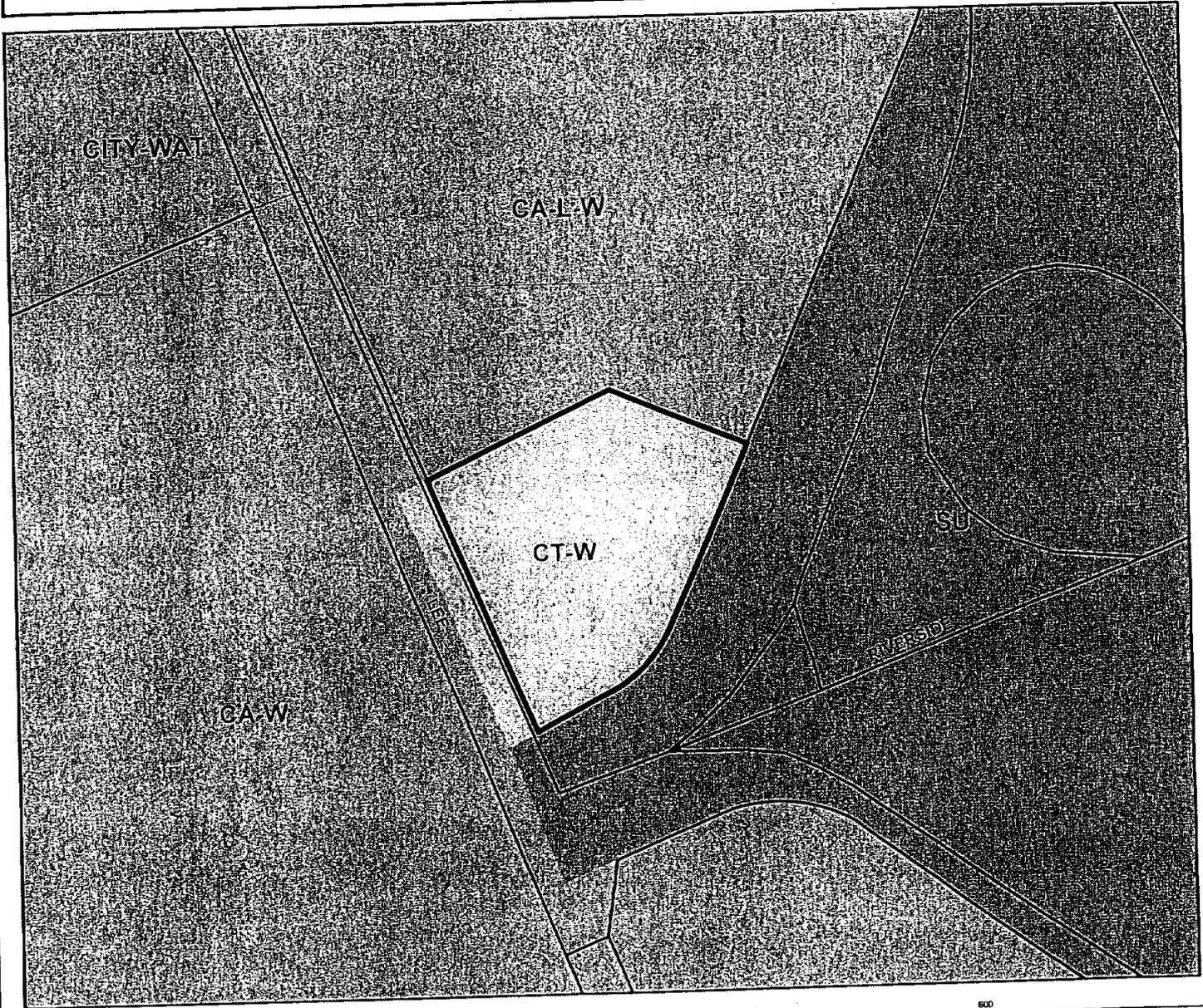
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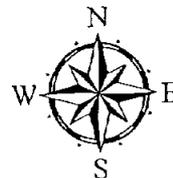


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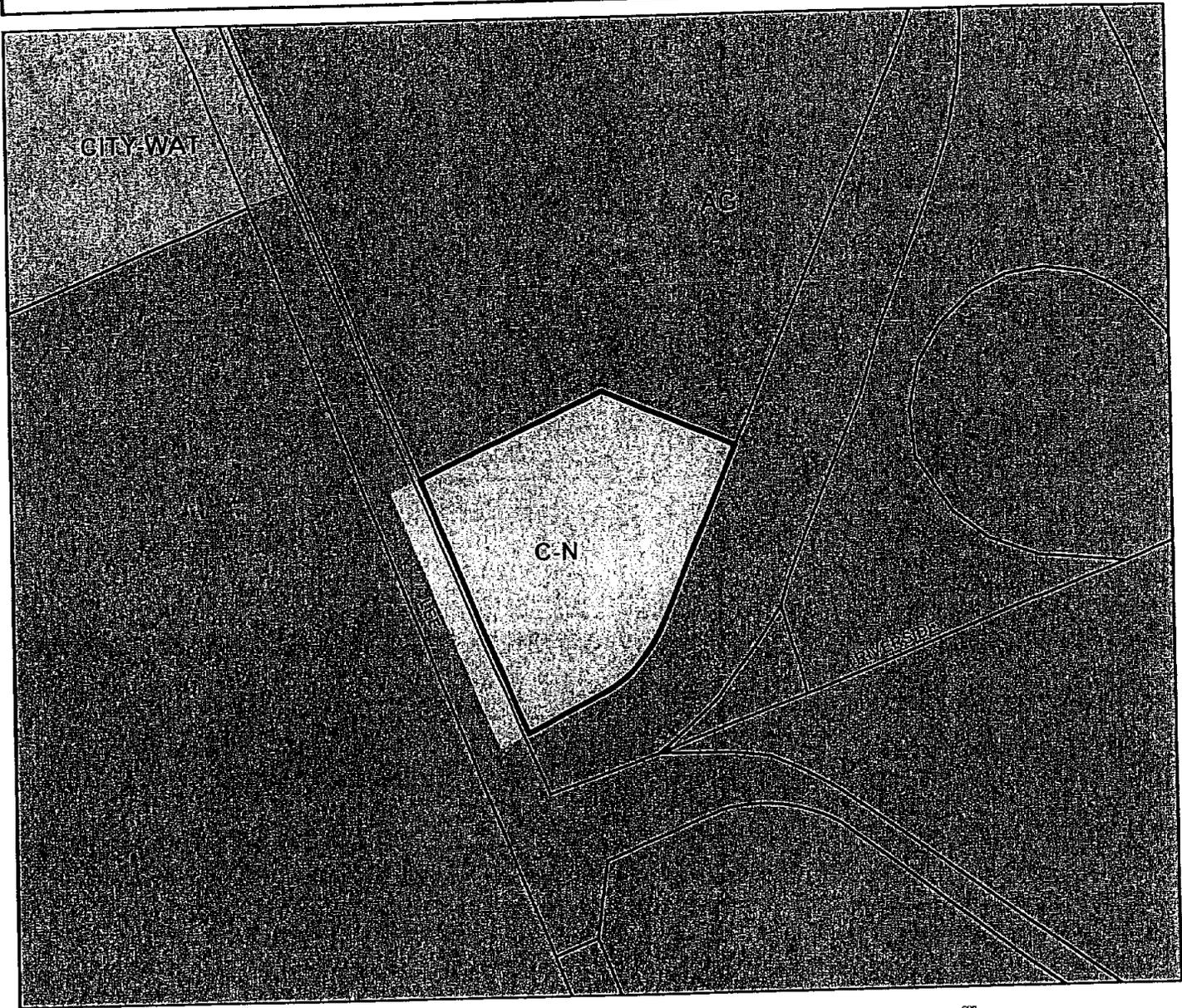
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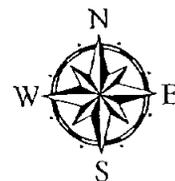


# General Plan Designation Map



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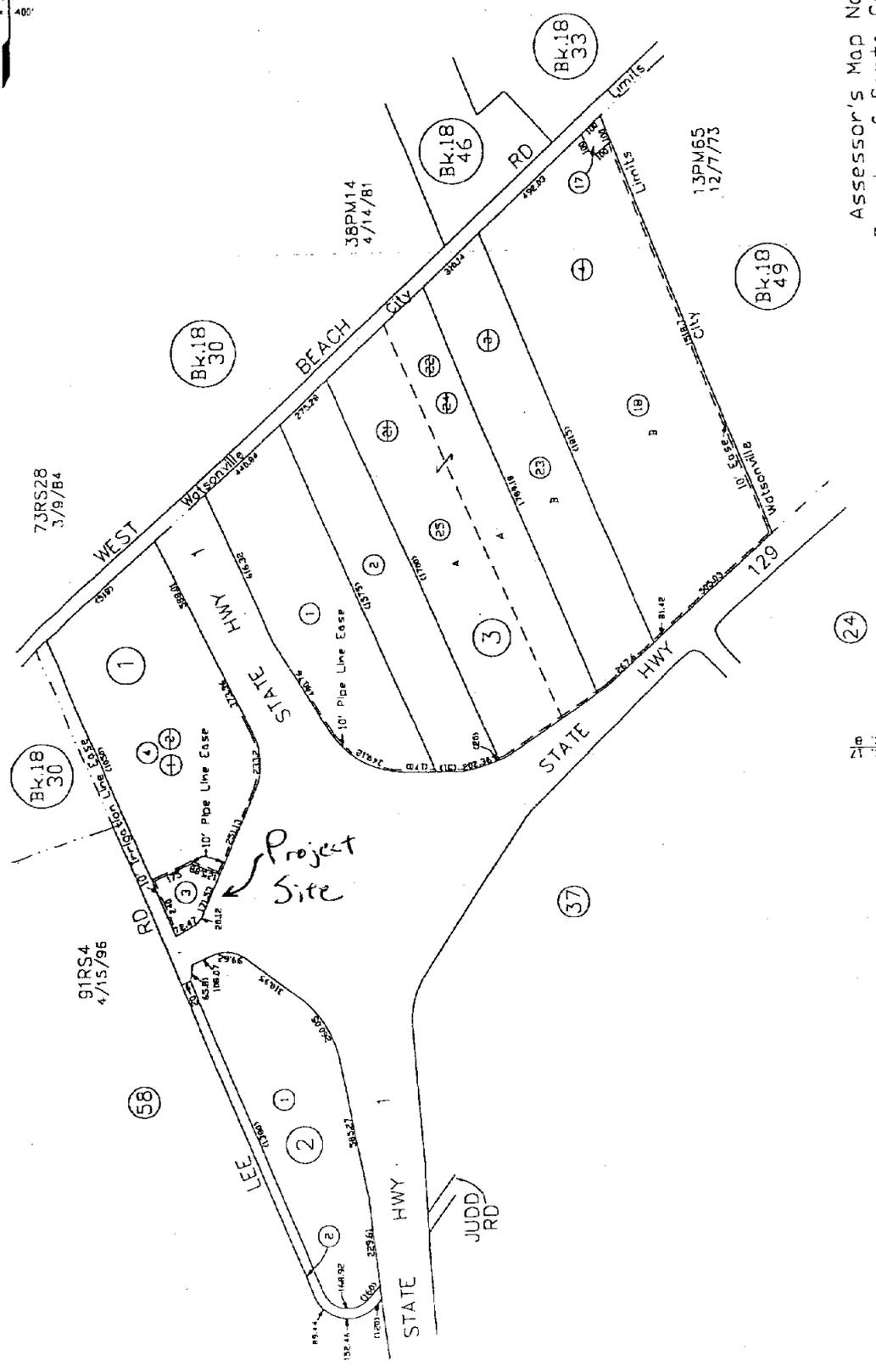
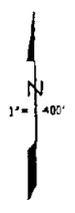
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Project Site

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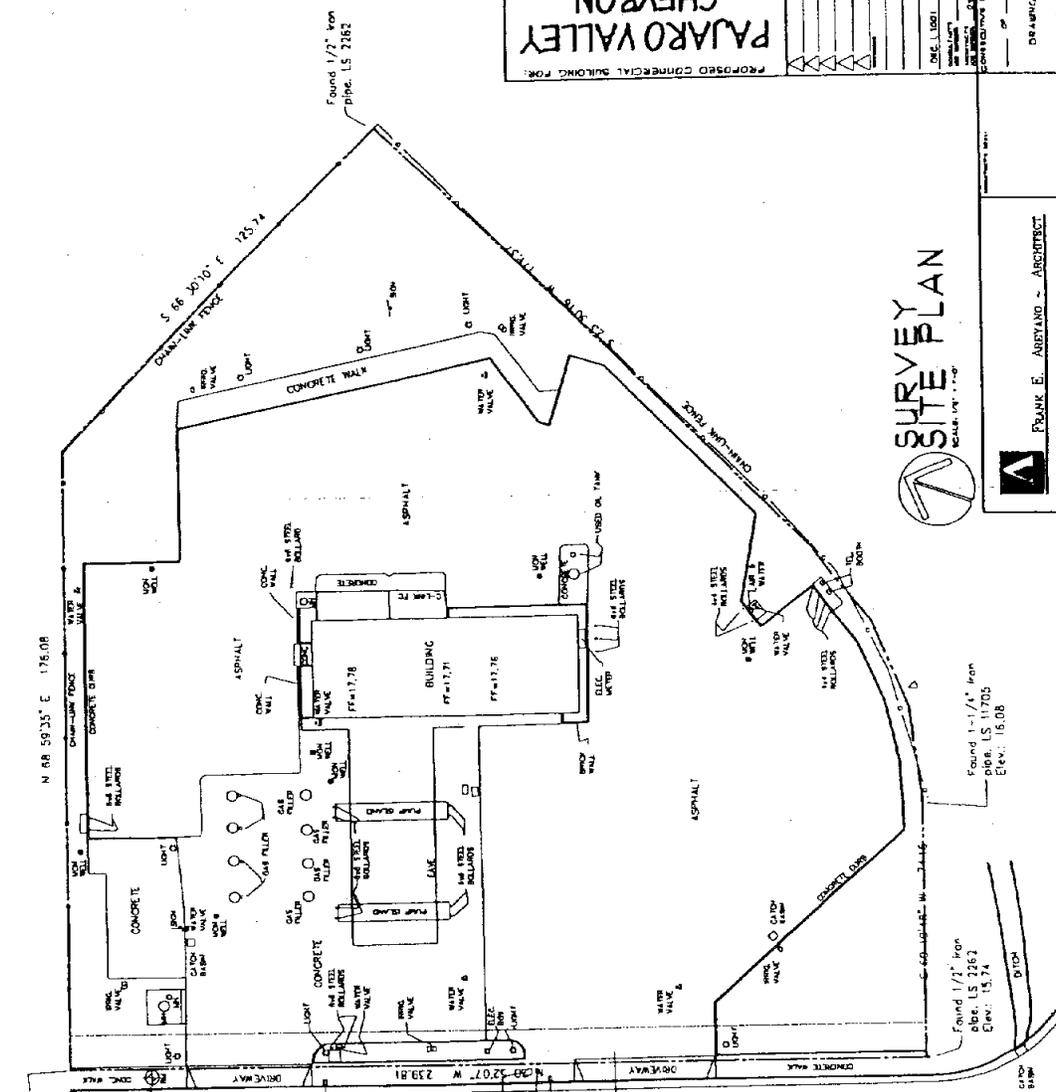
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RESERVED EASEMENT FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF IRRIGATION LINE FOR LOT 10-845



# SITE PLAN

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 1830 S. CALIFORNIA AVE. SUITE 104  
 SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA 95128  
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PROPOSED COMMERCIAL BUILDING FOR  
**CHEVRON**  
 KATHA CRUZ CENTER  
 PAJARO VALLEY  
 PAJARO, CALIFORNIA

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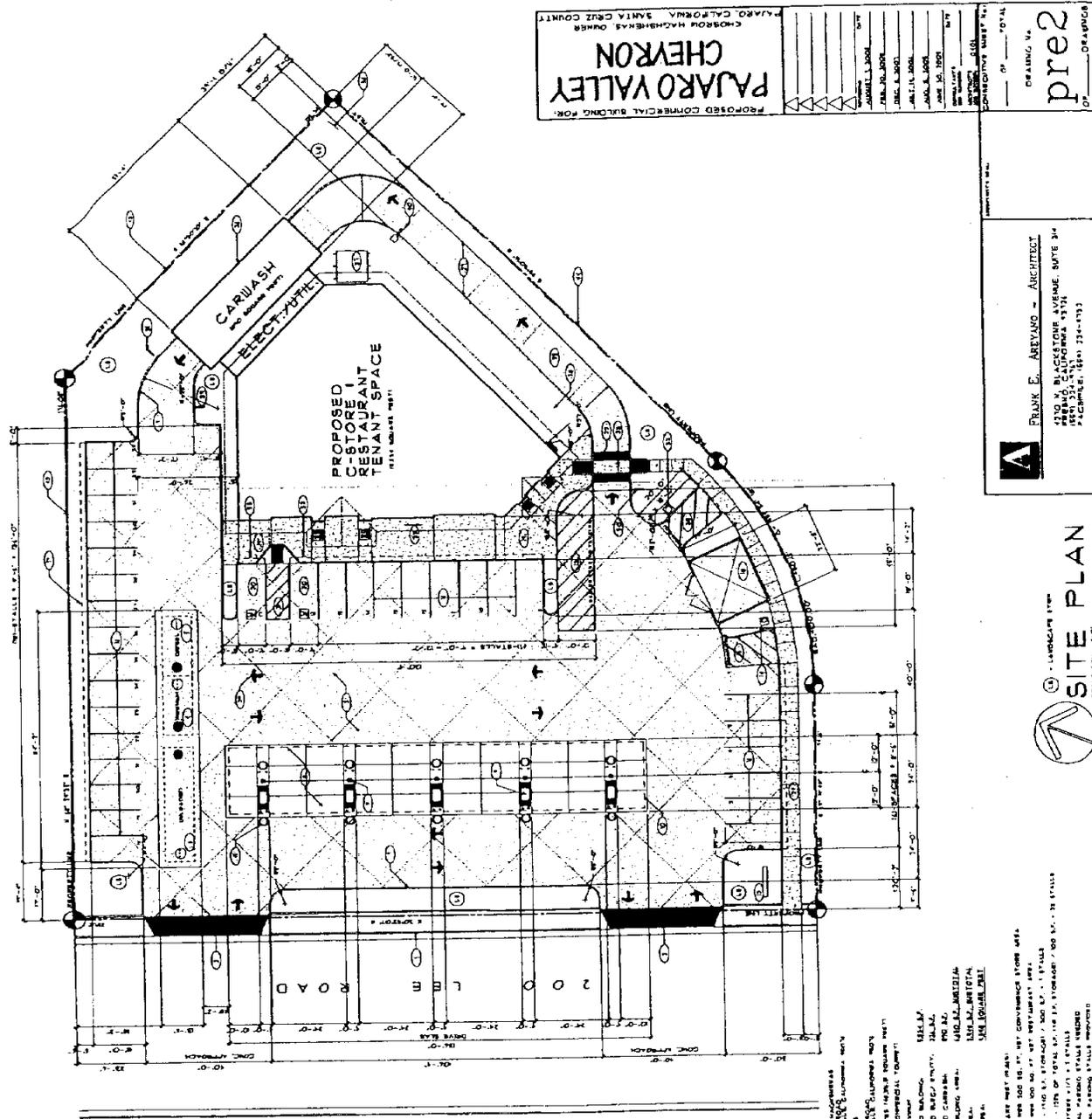
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| PROPOSED CARWASH                 | 2,000  |
| PROPOSED OFFICE SPACE            | 5,000  |
| PROPOSED STORAGE                 | 1,000  |
| PROPOSED DRIVEWAY                | 1,000  |
| PROPOSED SIDEWALK                | 1,000  |
| PROPOSED LANDSCAPING             | 1,000  |
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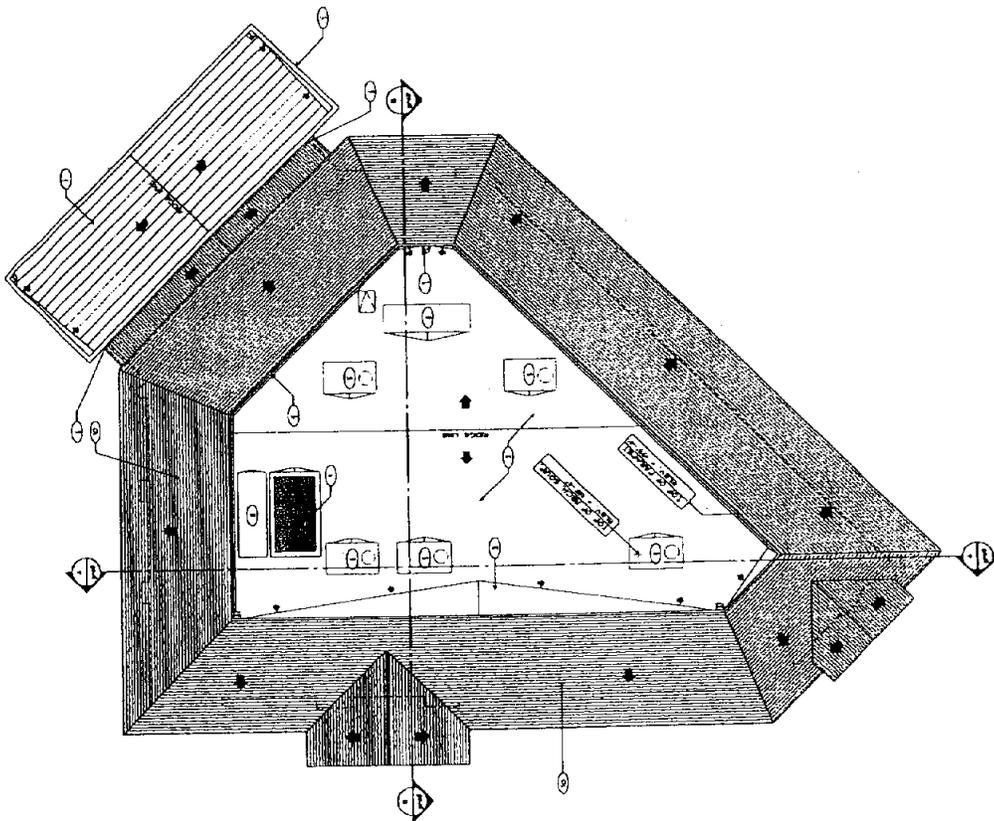
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 CHEVRON MACHINERY SALES  
 PAJARO, CALIFORNIA SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

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FRANK E. AREYANS - ARCHITECT  
 4710 N. BLACKSTONE AVENUE, SUITE 304  
 P.O. BOX 100, GILROY, CALIFORNIA 95020  
 TEL: (408) 845-1111

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**KEY NOTES:**  
 1. STANDING SEAM METAL ROOF.  
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**ROOF DRAINAGE PLAN**  
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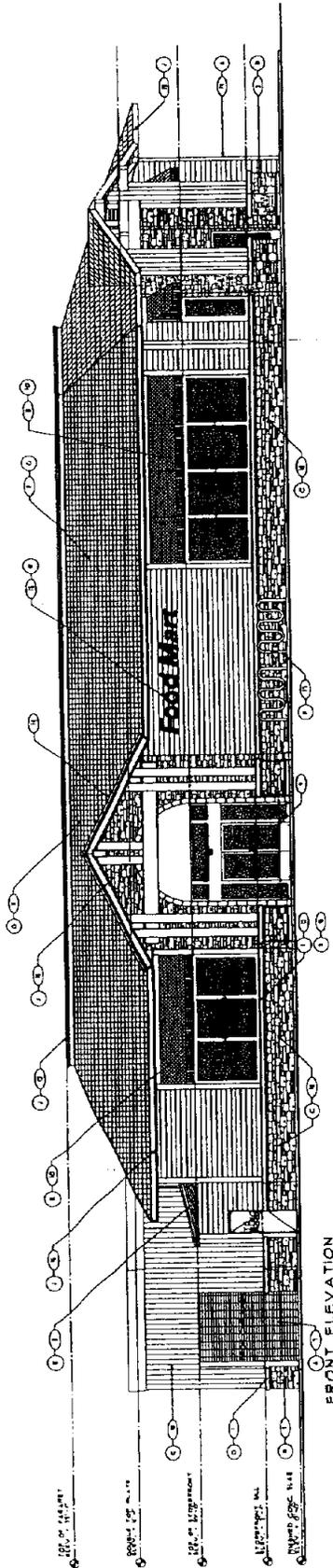
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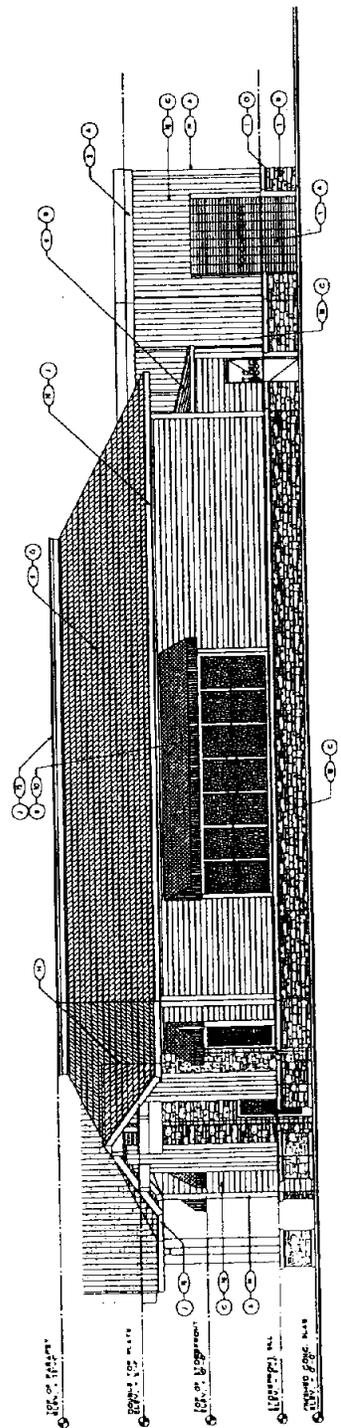
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 CHORONA HACHSHEKKA, OWNER  
 PAJARO, CALIFORNIA SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

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FRONT ELEVATION



RIGHT ELEVATION

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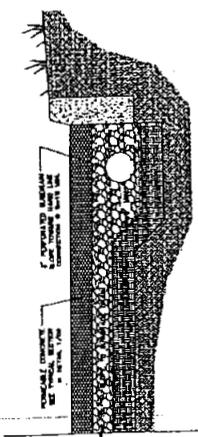






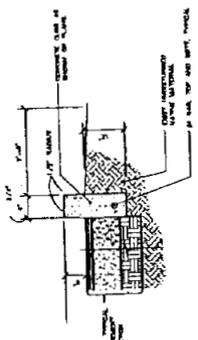






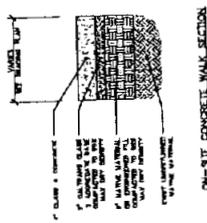
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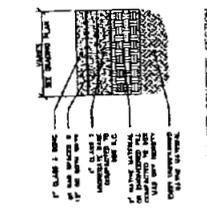


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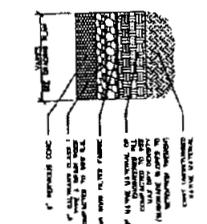
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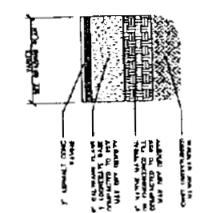
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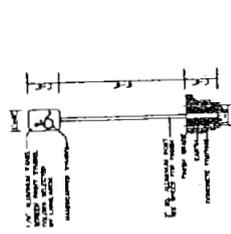
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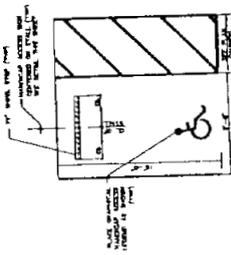
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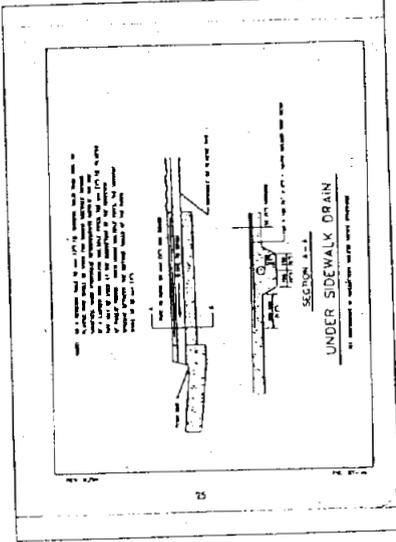


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HANDICAP PARKING STALL STRIPING DETAIL  
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SIDEWALK THRU-CURB DRAIN  
SCALE: N.T.S.

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**FOUNDATION & SOIL INVESTIGATIONS  
( CBC 2007)**

**Proposed Remodeling and Addition(s) to the Existing Facility at  
200 Lee Road, Watsonville, CA 95076**

**September 15, 2008**

Prepared for:

**Mr. Khosrow Haghshenas  
Pajaro Valley Chevron  
200 Lee Road  
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**Project KH-01-08**

**Exhibit 3**

## INTRODUCTION

We are pleased to present this report summarizing the results of our geotechnical investigation for the proposed remodeling and addition(s) to the existing facility. The property is located at 200 Lee Road, Watsonville, California. The purpose of this Geotechnical Investigation is to provide soil data based on California Building Code, CBC 2007, for Project Architect and Structural Engineer of the project to better locate the proposed new buildings & facilities and to provide soil data to design their foundation system. In addition, the proposed geotechnical report will provide soil data for possible retaining walls, or any slabs-on-grade, and driveway pavement design within the same subject site.

The site is a rather flat terrain, and is approximately 1.0 acre in area, the footprint area of the existing single-story building at the site (to be demolished) is approximately 2,061 sq ft. with an existing Fueling area to be demolished and remodeled. The proposed new C-Store & Restaurant include an approximately 5,534 sq ft (single-story) building, and an attached car wash facility of approximately 890 sq ft in area. Please refer to the Vicinity Map (Figure 1) within the Appendix "A" for the general location of the site.

## INFORMATION PROVIDED

Existing and proposed site plans of the subject site were provided to us by the Owner. (See Figure 2, Appendix "A").

## SCOPE OF WORK

Our scope of work is limited to the following:

Under the responsible charge of a California Licensed Geotechnical Engineer:

1. Review of available geologic and geotechnical information pertaining to the site.
2. Exploration, sampling, and classification of soils by excavating three (3) exploratory boreholes to the required depth per CBC 2007, one to depth of 40 feet, to address liquefaction potential. Soil samples were obtained at the expected depth of the footings, followed by one sample for every 5 feet of drilling.
3. Laboratory testing of selected soil samples to determine their relevant engineering properties.
4. Compilation and analysis of collected field and laboratory data, and comparison of the collected laboratory data with other (available to us) projects in the area.
5. Preparation of Four (4) wet-stamped soil reports presenting our findings and recommendations for the appropriate type of foundation for the new construction, recommendations, providing soil data for design of possible retaining wall, utility trenches, slabs-on-grade and pavement design. The final report includes the results of lab tests indicating the soil profile encountered and a site plan showing the boreholes locations.

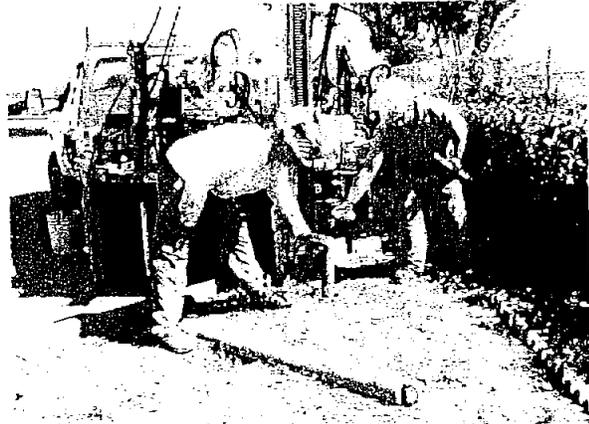
**FINDINGS**

Existing Site Conditions

The site is a rather flat terrain (see Pictures 1 to 3 for existing site conditions and location of boreholes).



**Picture 1: Location of Borehole B-1 at the subject site**



**Pictures 2 & 3: Location of Borehole B-2 at the subject site**

#### Laboratory Investigation

A limited number of field and laboratory classification tests were chosen and performed on samples obtained from boreholes 1, 2, and 3, to assist in classifying the surface and subsurface soils, which could then be related to allowable bearing capacities, compressibility and other geotechnical design criteria. Laboratory tests performed during our investigations included the following: Dry Density, Moisture Density, Percent Passing #200 Sieves, Gradation tests, and Atterberg Limits.

#### Surface Soil Conditions

Based on our present soil investigations, the project site has a surface stratum of gray to dark gray Lean Clay with Sand soft to medium, with traces of organic materials at very shallow depths. The plasticity index of the surface soil indicates a low expansion potential. This layer extend to up to 12 feet

The description of these soils and their approximate depths could be found on the Boring Logs in Appendix "A". The logs depict soil conditions at the locations and on the date the holes were drilled.

#### Subsurface Soil Conditions

Based on the present soil investigation, underlying the surface soils, up to a depth of 27 feet, are soft gray, olive to light brown Lean Clay. Underlying this stratum of soil, up to a depth of plus 42 feet are dark gray to blue Sandy Lean Clay, and Clayey Sand and poorly graded Sand. Ground water table was encountered at 5 feet 8 inches below ground at borehole #1, and 6 feet 4 inches below ground at borehole #2, during present investigation.

Materials encountered during the present subsurface exploration are described on the appended Test Boring Logs. The logs depict subsurface conditions at the locations and on the date the borings were drilled. Subsurface conditions at other locations might be different. Stratification lines shown on the logs represent the approximate boundaries between soil types; the actual transitions from one soil type to another may be gradual.

#### Seismic Considerations

- a. The parcel is located within the seismically active Bay Area Region and has been classified by CBC 2007 as Seismic Region 1. It might be subject to severe ground shaking.
- b. Known active or potentially active faults nearest to the site include: the Zayante-Vergeles Fault, 5.3 km, the San Andreas (1906) Fault, 9.6 km, the Sargent Fault, 15.6 km, and the Monterey Bay - Tularcitos Fault, 22.4 km.
- c. The site is likely to be shaken by earthquakes of approximate magnitude 8.0 (similar to the San Francisco earthquake of 1906), with an average recurrence interval between 138 to 188 years along the North coast segment of the San Andreas Fault. Also, earthquakes of magnitude 6 to 7 are likely along many of the faults within the Bay area.
- d. The potential for liquefaction or lateral spreading to occur on the property is considered low to moderate due to the soil type, ground water conditions, and fine grain (binder) contents within depths affected by foundation system.

Seismic hazards can be divided into two general categories: hazards due to a ground rupture and hazards due to a ground shaking. Since no known active or potentially active faults cross the site, the risk of earthquake-induced ground rupture occurring across the property is considered low.

Should a major earthquake occur with an epicentral location close to the site, ground shaking at the site will be severe. The effects of the ground shaking on the proposed additions, future planned structures and other improvements can be reduced by earthquake resistant design in accordance with the latest edition of the California Building Code (CBC). If the 2007 version of the CBC is utilized for seismic design, the recommendations of the "2007" CBC Design Considerations" section of this report should be followed.

### CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

From a geotechnical engineering viewpoint, the site we studied is suitable for the proposed development provided the recommendations in this report are closely followed.

Our recommendations are presented as guidelines to be used by project planners and designers for the project. These recommendations have been prepared assuming that we will be commissioned to review project grading and design, and to observe and test during earthwork operations on-site. This additional opportunity to examine the site will allow us to compare subsurface conditions exposed during construction with those encountered during this investigation.

#### Site Preparation, Grading and Compaction

Prior to grading, the site should be cleared of obstructions and deleterious material such as abandoned utility lines (if present). Debris and materials arising from clearing and removal operations should be properly disposed of off-site.

Surface vegetation at the site should be stripped, and removed. Soil containing more than 2% organic matter by weight, should be considered organic. For planning purposes, assume a depth of 2 inches for stripping of surface vegetation and organic material. The actual stripping depth should be determined by the Geotechnical Engineer in the field at the time of stripping.

Structural fill should be placed on firm native material that has been approved by the Geotechnical Engineer. Loose material should be removed before placement of structural fill. The depth of fill should be determined by the Geotechnical Engineer at the time of construction.

For fills (if any) with the vertical height in excess of 5 feet, intermediate benches must be provided. Any man-made new cut and fill slopes should have gradients no steeper than 2:1 (horizontal to vertical) for slopes up to twelve (12) feet high. Slope stability analysis will be required for slopes and cuts with more than twelve (12) feet in height. Finished cut and fill slope areas should be protected from erosion as soon as possible after construction. Please refer to the section "Surface Drainage" for additional recommendations.

Prior to placement of fill, the soil surface must be scarified a minimum of 8 inches, moisture-conditioned, and re-compacted to a minimum 92 percent relative compaction based on ASTM D1557-00 Test Procedure.

Structural fill should be placed and water-conditioned in lifts not exceeding 8 inches in thickness (before compaction). Structural fill should be compacted to at least 95 percent relative compaction, based on the ASTM D1557-00 Test Procedure.

Sub-excavation of at least 24 inches below the proposed footings and 18 inches below the slabs-on-grade, and backfilling with Caltrans Class II, or non-plastic materials approved by the Geotechnical Engineer of the project, is required to avoid differential movements of the soil.

Pavement Section Recommendations

We have provided pavement section recommendations for Traffic Indexes of 4.0, and 6.0, for the subject site. The actual traffic index should be specified by the design professional; alternative pavement sections can be developed on request.

Based on our past experience with similar sites (for pavement design), we recommend minimum pavement sections as described below in Table 1. The native subgrade soil must be scarified a minimum of 12 inches, moisture-conditioned to approximately +3% on the wet side of the optimum, and re-compacted to a minimum 92 percent relative compaction based on ASTM D1557-00 Test Procedure, prior to placement of base rock materials.

Table 1. Recommended Pavement Sections

| TRAFFIC INDEX | ASPHALTIC CONCRETE (INCHES) | CLASS 2 AGGREGATE BASE (INCHES) | TOTAL THICKNESS (INCHES) |
|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 4.0           | 2.5                         | 12.5                            | 15.0                     |
| 6.0           | 3.0                         | 17.0                            | 20.0                     |

All aggregate bases should be compacted to a relative compaction of at least 95 percent, based on the ASTM D1557-00 Test Procedure.

CBC 2007 Site Characterization

Based on CBC 2007, we classify the site of proposed improvements as follows:

Site Class                    D-defined as a stiff soil profile with shear velocities between 600 to 1200 ft/sec or SPT 15 < N < 50 or 1000 < Su < 2000 psf in the top 100 feet.  
Seismic Source              San Andreas (1906) Fault (Type A)  
Seismic region                Region 1 (Zone 4)

Based on above, the seismic hazard spectra is as showed in appendix A.

Conventional Shallow Footings

The following recommendations apply to buildings of wood, steel or concrete construction limited to a height of no more than two stories. Should planned development differ from these assumed conditions, we should be notified to determine if additional investigation is warranted.

The proposed new addition to the existing structures may be supported by perimeter conventional continuous strip footings and structural grade beams or slabs as outlined herein. In addition, a minimum of 24 inches of local soil underneath the footings must be sub-excavated and backfilled with Caltrans Class II, AB. The engineered fill should be compacted to at least 95 percent relative compaction, based on the ASTM D1557-00 Test Procedure. The perimeter footings should have a minimum depth of 18 inches below the lowest adjacent grade, or the depth of existing footings, whichever is larger, with a minimum width of 15 inches. The footings may be designed to impose pressures up to 2000 pounds per square foot on foundation soils, from dead plus normal live loading. This value may be increased by one-third for wind or seismic loading. Using these criteria, total and differential settlements are expected to be less than 1.0 and 0.75 inches respectively. To improve the foundation capabilities to resist possible differential settlement and

minimize potential damages due to liquefaction (during and after earthquake), it is strongly recommended interconnecting the strip footings (Grid System) approximately every 12 feet (or less). The Grid System should have the same section as the strip footings.

Concrete should be placed in footing excavations that have been kept moist, prior to concrete pour. They also should be kept free from water, loose or soft soil or debris.

The Geotechnical Engineer of the Project must be present on site to observe foundation excavation and the minimum required depth of the footings, prior to placing steel reinforcing.

#### Drilled Piers

The following recommendations apply to buildings of wood, steel or concrete construction limited to a height of no more than two stories. Should planned development differ from these assumed conditions, we should be notified to determine if additional investigation is warranted.

The proposed new addition structures may be supported by drilled pier and grade beam system. Drilled piers should be at least 15" in diameter, and must be a minimum of 12 feet deep, or 3 feet into firm native material. We recommend a minimum spacing of 3.0 times diameters of the piers, center to center, and the maximum to be determined by the Structural Engineer of the Project.

Caissons (pier excavations) should not vary more than 1 percent from vertical. Passive soil pressure against the sides of drilled piers may be taken as equivalent to the pressure exerted by a fluid weighing 200 pounds per cubic foot (ultimate).

Based on our limited field and laboratory testing during this investigation, it is our engineering judgment that the piers may be designed to impose an allowable skin friction value of 250 pounds per square foot (psf), assuming that the upper two feet of skin friction is disregarded and an allowable end bearing capacity of 500 psf from dead plus normal live loading. This value may be increased by one-third for wind or seismic loading. To improve side friction, we recommend removal of the casings (if used) in place, and to improve end bearing, we recommend removal of at least 12 inches of native soil from the bottom and backfilling with Caltrans Class II, AB. Also a geotechnical engineer prior to placing formwork and steel reinforcing should observe all drilled piers.

We recommend; Grade beams to be a minimum of 15" wide, and should be reinforced per ACI most current Code; at each drilled pier-grade beam connection, a minimum of two of the drilled pier rebars to be bent into the grade beam for a minimum of 15". Excavation of the proposed drilled piers, where located next to existing footing, shall take place after safe and appropriate shoring of the existing building (to be designed by others).

Concrete should be placed in drilled excavations that have been kept moist by capping the holes after drilling, and spray of water, if needed, prior to concrete pour. They also should be kept free from water, loose or soft soil or debris.

The Geotechnical Engineer of the Project must be present on site to observe drilling and the minimum required depth of the drilled holes, prior to placing steel reinforcing.

#### Concrete Slabs-on Grade

Slab-on-grade areas should have the top 18 inches sub-excavated, backfilled with Caltrans Class II AB, or non-plastic materials approved by the Geotechnical Engineer of Record, and re-compacted per following specifications. To improve bearing capacity, and reduce possible floor dampness, the following steps must be taken:

- A minimum 18 inch section of Caltrans Class II Aggregate Base should be placed immediately over the compacted soil sub-grade
- Next, a minimum 4 inch section of capillary break material should be placed on top of the Caltrans Class II Aggregate Base. Capillary break material should be free-draining, clean 3/4-inch crushed gravel (or Drain Rock).
- Next a vapor barrier is recommended to further reduce floor dampness. The type of vapor barrier should be specified by the design engineer, but if visqueen or similar material is to be utilized, it should have a minimum thickness of 10 mils.
- Finally, the vapor barrier should be covered by a 2-inch sand cushion to protect the membrane and to aid in curing of the concrete.

If joints exist between the footings and slabs, we recommend 30 pound felt to be used as a separator between the edges of slabs-on-grade and footing areas.

Retaining Walls

Retaining walls should be designed using the following geotechnical design parameters presented below:

Coefficient of Friction = 0.25

Table 1 – Active, Passive, and At-rest Retaining Wall Equivalent Fluid Pressure

| Back slope Gradient (H:V) | Active Equivalent Fluid Pressure (pcf) | Passive Equivalent Fluid Pressure (pcf) | At-rest Equivalent Fluid Pressure (pcf) |
|---------------------------|--|---|---|
| Level                     | 39                                     | 250                                     | 47                                      |
| 3:1                       | 47                                     |   |   |
| 2:1                       | 55                                     |   |   |
| 1.7:1                     | 60                                     |   |   |

These values are for non-seismic conditions and are based on the assumption that the wall backfill will be adequately drained. Active pressure should be used for walls where horizontal movement at the top of the wall is not restricted. At-rest pressure should be used to design walls with movement restricted at the top, such as basement walls and walls structurally connected at the top. Passive pressure is ultimate value, and minimum wall displacement is assumed.

A zone of drainage material at least 12 inches wide should be placed on the backfill side of the retaining wall. The drainage material should be extending from the bottom of the wall (minimum of 18" below lowest adjacent finished grade) to within 12" of the top of the wall. The upper 12" of the backfill above the drainage material should consist of clayey soils. The drainage material should be Class 1 Permeable material complying with Section 68 of Caltrans Standard Specification, latest edition, or ¾" to 1- ½", clean, durable coarse aggregate. The drainage material should be encapsulated by a high quality filler fabric such as Mirafi Filter weave 700 (or equivalent). Refer to Figure 6 within Appendix "A" for a typical retaining wall drain detail.

To account for seismic loading, a horizontal load equal to 15 H<sup>2</sup> pounds/horizontal foot, should be applied at 0.6 H above wall base (where H is the height of the wall). If the retaining wall is to support fill rather than a native cut slope, compaction surcharges should be incorporated into the wall design. We need to be contacted for additional lateral pressure loads due to compaction equipment.

Water should be collected by Schedule 40 perforated PVC pipe placed 4 inches from the bottom of the drainage material. Perforations (3/8 inch diameter) should be made in two rows at the end of a 120 degree arc, at 3 inches center, placed downward. The pipe should be sloped behind the wall at approximately 2%. Water collected in the retaining wall drain system should be carried in closed conduit and discharged away from the residence at the end of the closed conduit.

#### Utility Trenches

The sidewalls of trenches constructed in these materials will be prone to sudden collapse (for trenches deeper than 4 feet) unless they are properly shored and braced or laid back at an appropriate angle. Project designers should make a clear note of this fact in the project specifications and on the project plans and should draw attention to contractors and particularly the underground contractor, to the need to properly shore and brace or lay back the side walls of trenches.

All work should comply with the State of California Construction Safety Orders for "Excavations, Trenches, and Earthwork".

For the purpose of this section of the report, backfill is defined as material placed in a trench starting 1 foot above the pipe, and bedding is all material placed in a trench below the backfill.

Unless concrete bedding is required around utility pipes, free draining sand should be used as bedding. Sand bedding should be compacted to at least 90 percent relative compaction based on ASTM Test Procedure D1557-00, or to the degree of compaction specified by the utility designer.

Approved import sand should be used as utility trench backfill. Backfill in trenches located under and adjacent to structural fill, foundations, concrete slabs and pavements should be placed in horizontal layers no more than 8 inches thick. Each layer of imported trench backfill should be water conditioned and compacted to at least 95 percent relative compaction, if it is underneath the pavement area. Compaction of backfill by water jetting should not be permitted.

We recommend that within three feet of the structure foundation, a clayey material or control density fill (CDF) be used for the trench backfill and bedding, to seal the trench and prevent a conduit for water to enter beneath the structure foundation.

#### Surface Drainage

Surface drainage gradients should be planned to prevent ponding and to promote drainage of surface water away from structure foundations, slabs, edges of pavements and sidewalks, toward suitable collection and discharge facilities. We recommend that within 10 feet of the perimeter foundations, the ground surface be sloped at least 5 percent away from the structure.

Building roof eaves should have rain gutters, with outlets from the down spouts provided with adequate capacity to carry the storm water away from the structure to reduce the possibility of soil saturation and erosion by cobble blankets or other suitable measures.

#### Post-Report Geotechnical Services

We recommend our company be commissioned to provide the following services:

- 1) Review project grading and foundation plans during project design.
- 2) Observe, test and advise during site preparation, grading and compaction.
- 3) Observe foundation excavation for drilled piers (continuously, per CBC 2007) and conventional shallow footings.

- 4) Observe, test and advise during backfilling and compaction of on-site utility trenches.
- 5) Observe, test and advise during slab-on-grade pavement sub-base and aggregate base construction.

**LIMITATIONS**

Changes in project design will render our recommendations invalid unless our staff reviews such changes and our specific recommendations are modified accordingly.

Our recommendations have been made in accordance with the principles and practices generally employed by the geotechnical engineering profession. This is in lieu of all other warranties, express or implied.

Subsurface exploration of any site is necessarily confined to selected locations and conditions may, and often do vary between and around these locations. If varied conditions are encountered during construction, additional exploration, testing and construction modification may be required. To compare the generalized site conditions assumed in this report with those found on the site at the time of construction, all earthwork and associated operations should be observed and tested by our field representative.

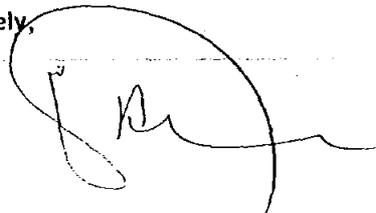
This report is issued with the understanding that it is the responsibility of the Owner, or his representative, to ensure that the information and recommendations contained within this report are called to the attention of the Architects and Engineers for the project and incorporated into the plans, and that the necessary steps are taken to ensure that the Contractors and Subcontractors carry out such recommendations in the field.

The findings of this report are valid as of the present date. However, changes in the conditions of the property could occur with the passage of time, whether they are due to natural processes or the works of man, on this or adjacent properties. In addition, changes in applicable or appropriate standards occur, whether they result from legislation or the broadening of knowledge. Accordingly, the findings of this report may be invalidated, wholly or partially, by changes outside our control. This report should be reviewed in light of future planned construction and then current applicable codes.

Any person concerned with this project who observes conditions or features of the site or the surrounding areas that are different from those described in this report should report them immediately to us and the owner for evaluation.

If you should have any questions, or if we can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at (831) 325-1048.

Sincerely,



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June 23, 2009

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**Subject: Plan Review Letter**  
Proposed Remodeling and Addition(s)  
Located at 200 Lee Road  
Watsonville, California  
APN 052-271-03

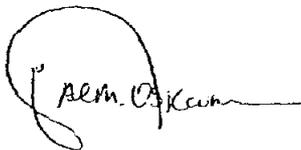
**Dear Mr. Khosrow Haghshenas:**

In response to your inquiry and authorization, we have completed our plan review of the plans provided by Bowman & Williams Consulting Civil Engineers. The purpose of our review was to determine if the plans and designs were in substantial conformance with the recommendations of the Geotechnical Investigation for Pajaro Valley Chevron dated September 15, 2008 (Soil Report # KH-01-08).

A total of 5 sheets were provided and reviewed. These are C1, Existing Conditions; C2, Preliminary Grading Plan; C3, Preliminary Drainage and Utility Plan; C4, Miscellaneous Details; C5, Preliminary Erosion Control Plan; dated 1/20/06, all revision 6/15/09 except C2 that has been revised on 6/23/09.

Based on this review, it is our professional opinion that the drawings, plans and designs that we have reviewed and as stated above, are in substantial conformance with the recommendations of the Geotechnical Investigation for this project as stated above. Please let us know if we can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely Yours,



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TOM BURNS, PLANNING DIRECTOR

April 6, 2009

Geoff Scurfield  
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**Subject:** Review of Foundation and Soils Investigation by  
Ali M. Oskoorouchi, dated September 15, 2008;  
"Response to Review of Geotechnical Investigation", dated March 6, 2009  
Project #: KH-01-08, APN: 052-271-03, Application #: 08-0480

Dear Mr. Scurfield,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Planning Department has found the subject report acceptable for the discretionary review of Application 08-0480. Although the report is sufficient to determine the feasibility of the proposed project, additional information will be required prior to building permit issuance to more accurately define foundation design parameters. With regard to liquefaction, our assessment of the site is as follows:

This site is in an area mapped as having a high potential for liquefaction, and is characterized by strata of alluvial deposits of varying susceptibility to liquefaction-induced settlement. The subsurface information presented in the subject report is based on boring samples taken every five feet, while it has been demonstrated that potentially liquefiable strata may be present in thicknesses less than five feet, and may have been missed using this sampling technique.

As a condition of approval for Application 08-0480, the applicant must provide a quantitative assessment of liquefaction-induced settlement at the site based on continuous subsurface data derived from Cone Penetration Testing prior to building permit approval. Please contact the undersigned at (831)454-5121 (Carolyn Banti) or (831)454-3175 (Joe Hanna) to discuss the number and location tests required prior to performing the work.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Banti, PE  
Associate Civil Engineer

Joe Hanna, CEG 1313  
County Geologist

cc: Randall Adams, Project Planner  
Khosrow Haghshenas, Owner  
Ali M. Oskoorouchi



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February 5, 2009

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Subject: GEOLOGIC HAZARDS ASSESSMENT  
APN: 052-271-03  
LOCATION: 200 Lee Road  
PERMIT APPLICATION NUMBER: 08-0480  
OWNER: Khosrow Haghshenas

Dear Mr. Scurfield,

We have recently conducted a site inspection of the parcel referenced above where you propose to demolish an existing gas station and construct a replacement gas station with a convenience store, restaurant, car wash, and associated improvements (figure 1). This inspection was completed to assess the property for possible flood hazards due to its proximity to the Watsonville Slough and Pajaro River. The purpose of this letter is to briefly describe our site observations, outline permit conditions with respect to geologic planning issues and to complete the hazards assessment for this property.

The subject parcel is located near the Watsonville Slough and the Pajaro River. Published maps on file with the Planning Department indicate that the parcel is within this stream's federally-designated 100-year flood zone AO. Flood depths of 1 to 3 feet (usually sheet flow on sloping terrain); average depths determined to be one foot above grade (figure 2).

Enclosed copies of the federal flood maps indicate the flood hazard boundaries in this area and the approximate parcel location (figures 2 and 3). The flood hazard maps delineate the extent of flooding which is anticipated during a 100-year flood, an event with a one percent chance of occurring in any given year. Flooding to an approximate level of one foot above grade is anticipated to occur once every hundred years on the basis of this mapping. However, this does not preclude flooding from occurring due to events smaller in magnitude than the 100-year flood or for the "100-year flood" from occurring two years in a row. For your information, no historic flooding event, including the record events of 1955, 1982 and 1998 has resulted in 100-year flood levels for any of the streams monitored in Santa Cruz County.

The flood hazard maps for the County were recently revised by the federal government due to the County's participation in the N<sup>107/141</sup> Flood Insurance Program. This

**Exhibit 5**

Geoff Scurfield  
January 29, 2009

program enables property owners to obtain insurance coverage for flood damage to residential and commercial structures and their contents. In return for making flood insurance available, the federal government requires that the County's land use regulations be consistent with federal standards for construction activities in areas where potential flood hazards are identified on the maps.

Therefore, to comply with federal floodplain management requirements as well as section 16.10 of the County Code (Geologic Hazards Ordinance) and to receive approval for the proposed project with respect to geologic planning issues, the following conditions must be met:

1. No development activity may occur within the floodway.
2. The entire structure must be elevated or floodproofed above the level of flooding anticipated during the 100-year flood event. At this site elevation or floodproofing to an elevation of at least one foot above grade must occur.
3. The following items must be completed to meet elevation requirements for non-habitable (commercial) structures:
  - a. The building plans must indicate the elevation of the lowest finished floor relative to mean sea level and native grade prior to issuance of a development permit; and
  - b. Compliance with the elevation requirement must be certified in writing on an Elevation Certificate by a registered professional engineer, architect or surveyor prior to the final inspection of the structure.
4. For all new construction and substantial improvements, the fully enclosed areas below the lowest floor that are subject to flooding shall be designed to automatically equalize hydrostatic flood forces on exterior walls by allowing for the entry and exit of floodwaters.
5. Designs for meeting this requirement must either be certified by a registered professional engineer or architect; or meet or exceed the following minimum criteria:
  - a. EITHER a minimum of two openings having a total net area of not less than one square inch for every square foot of enclosed area subject to flooding shall be provided. The bottom of all openings shall be no higher than one foot above grade. The openings may be equipped with screens, louvers, valves or other coverings or devices, provided that they permit the automatic entry and exit of floodwaters; OR
  - b. Be certified to comply with a local floodproofing standard approved by the Federal Insurance Administration (see below for floodproofing option).

6. Non-residential structures shall be floodproofed if elevation above the 100-year flood plain is not feasible. Floodproofed structures shall meet the following criteria:
  - a. The structure and elements that function as part of the structure such as a furnace or hot water heater must be floodproofed so that below the level indicated above, the structure is watertight with walls substantially impermeable to the passage of water.
  - b. The structure must be capable of resisting hydrostatic and hydrodynamic loads and effects of buoyancy; and
  - c. The building plans must indicate the specific floodproofing measures which have been designed for the structure and the elevation relative to mean sea level and native grade to which these floodproofing measures will be constructed before the building permit can be approved by the Environmental and Technical Review Section of the Planning Department. The plans must be certified by a registered professional architect or engineer.
7. After the building plans are approved, an Elevation/Floodproofing Certificate will be mailed to the property owner. A state-registered engineer or licensed architect must complete this certificate by indicating the elevation to which floodproofing was achieved before a final building inspection of the structure can occur.
8. New septic systems and leachfields shall not be located within the 100-year floodplain. No expansion of existing septic systems or leachfields shall be allowed within the 100-year floodplain.
9. The placement of fill shall be allowed only when necessary. The amount allowed will not exceed 50 cubic yards and only as part of a permitted development and only if it can be demonstrated through environmental review that the fill will not have cumulative adverse impacts.
10. The enclosed Declaration form acknowledging a possible flood hazard to the parcel must be completed prior to issuance of a building permit.

It is important to note that if your project cannot meet these minimum federal requirements, or if the project has already been constructed and an "as built" permit has or will be applied for to correct a violation, a permit may not be able to be approved.

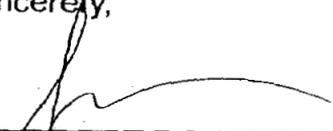
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January 29, 2009

We have also reviewed the soils report submitted with this application ("Proposed Remodeling and Addition(s) to the Existing Facility at 200 Lee Road", Oskoorouchi, 9/15/08). The report has not been accepted; comments regarding report deficiencies are described below:

- The subsurface conditions shown in the investigation differ significantly from those reported in the environmental assessment prepared for this parcel ("Additional Site Assessment Report and Third Quarter 2008 Groundwater Monitoring and Sampling Results", SAIC, 10/8/08). The conditions reported in the report show potentially liquefiable soils at more shallow depths. Additional investigation is required to substantiate the determination that liquefaction will not impact the proposed development. Due to potential stratification of soils, Cone Penetration Testing is strongly recommended. (Please note that the conventional foundation recommendations on page 6 of the report provide mitigations to minimize potential damages due to liquefaction, which does not appear to be consistent with other sections of the report.)
- The Standard Penetration Test (SPT) blow counts for this site do not appear to be consistent with the reported "Site Class D" designation. Please provide additional data to justify this designation or revise the site class.
- Pier recommendations provided in the report state that piers should be embedded a minimum of 12-feet, or 3-feet into "firm native material". Please provide an estimated depth to firm material or revise the recommendation.

If you have any questions concerning the assessment of this property for flood hazards or the permit conditions described above, please call me at 454-3162. If you have questions regarding the soils report review, please call Carolyn Banti at 454-5121. Questions regarding insurance coverage under the National Flood Insurance Program should be directed to an insurance agent.

Sincerely,

  
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FOR: CLAUDIA SLATER  
Principal Planner  
Environmental Planning

Enclosure(s)

cc: GHA File  
Randall Adams, Planner

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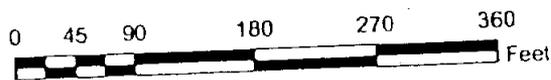
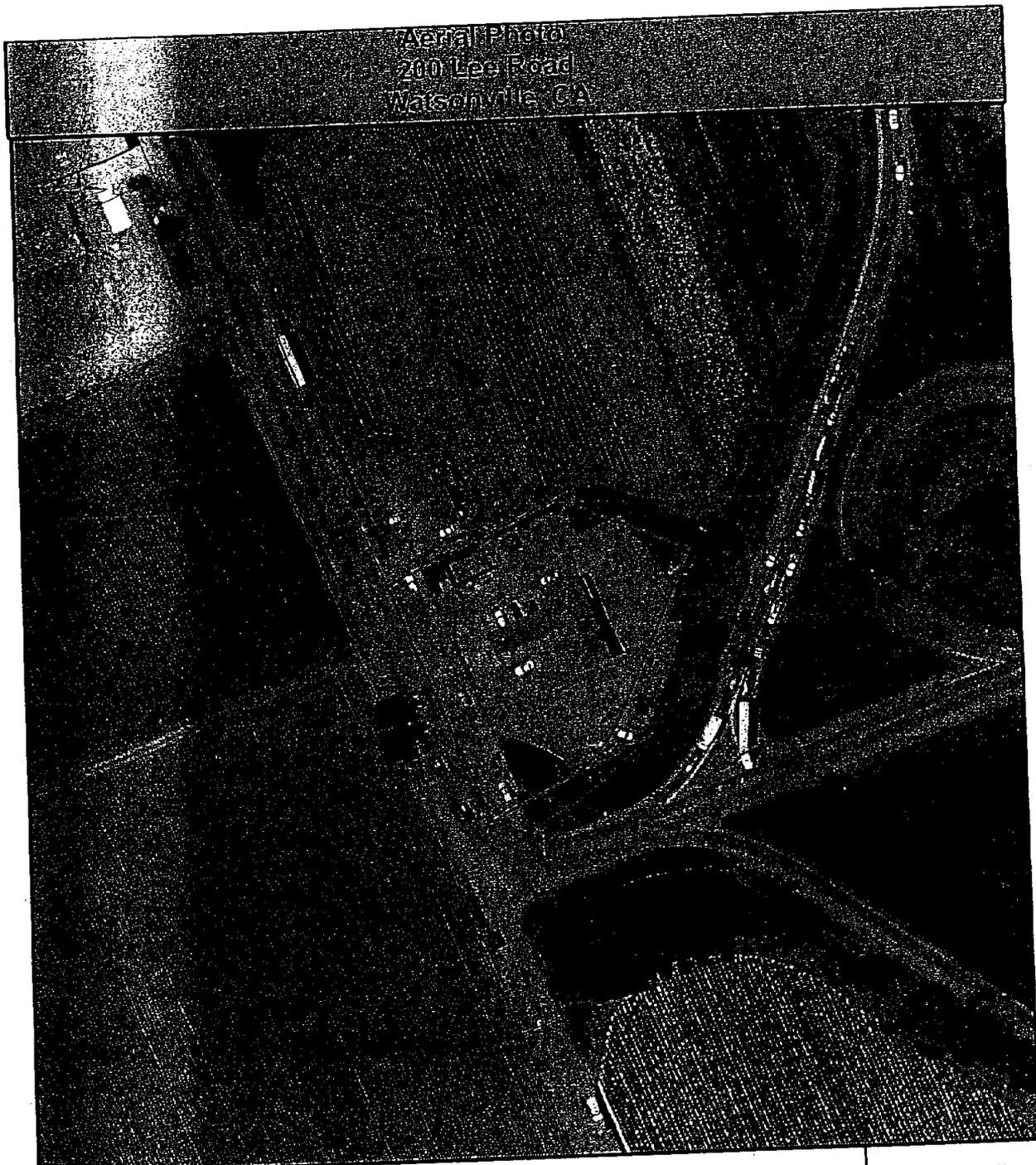


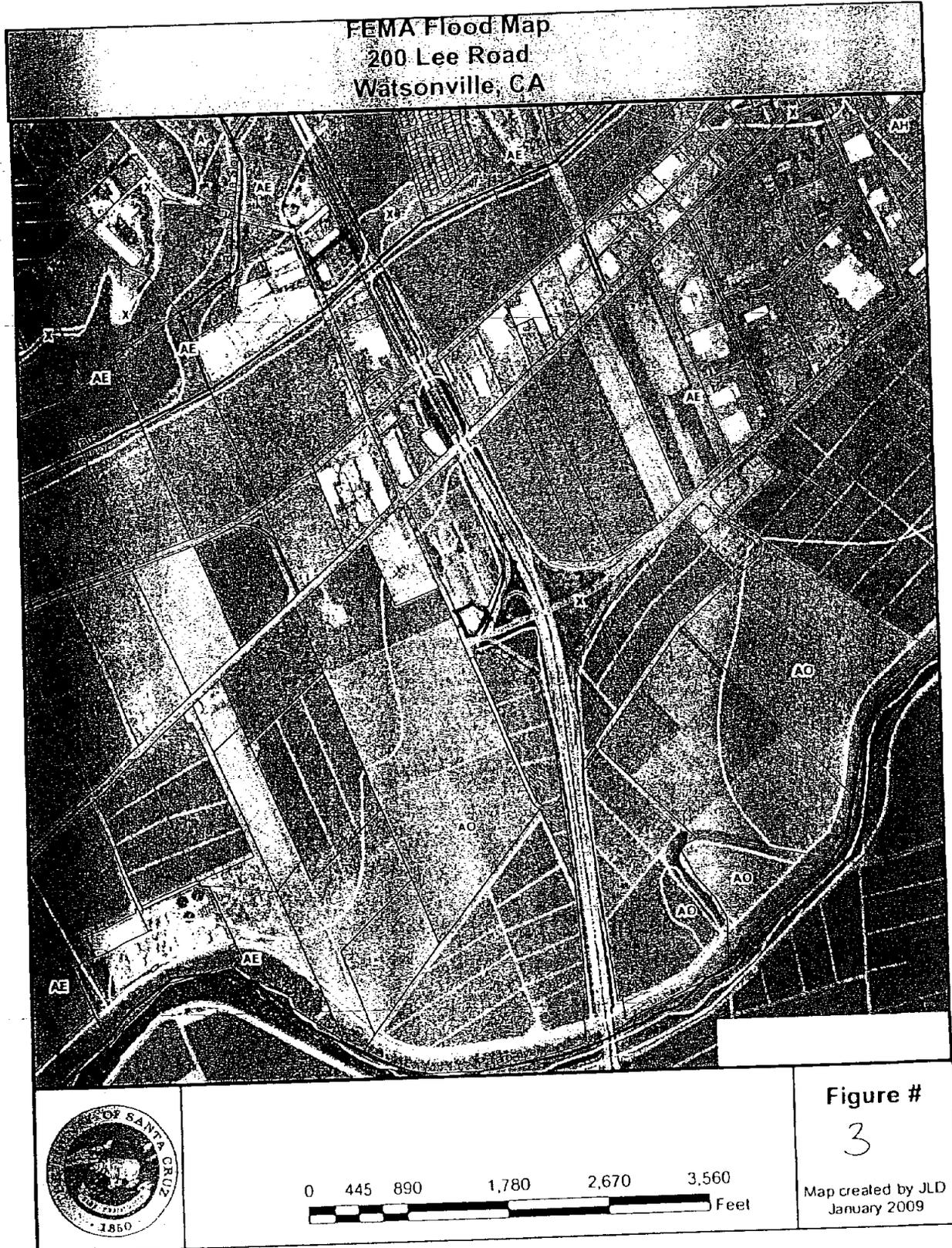
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**HYDROLOGY AND  
STORMWATER DETENTION  
CALCULATIONS**

FOR

**RIVERSIDE DRIVE CHEVRON  
ADDITION & SITE IMPROVEMENTS**

LOCATED IN

**WATSONVILLE  
COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ  
CALIFORNIA**



**JANUARY 20, 2006**  
**REVISED: OCTOBER 10, 2008**  
**REVISED: JANUARY 29, 2009**  
**REVISED: June 15, 2009**

**BASIS OF DESIGN:**

1. County of Santa Cruz Design Criteria.
2. ASCE Manual of Engineering Practice No. 37
3. City of Watsonville Storm Drainage Master Plan
4. Project Drawings

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The proposed project will improve the existing Riverside Drive Chevron, parcel number 052-271-03. The scope of the project will include expanding and modifying the paved parking and driveway areas, increasing the size of the main building -- allowing for multiple occupants, the addition of a carwash, and the relocation of pump islands. Project improvements encompass an area of approximately 1.10 acres. The project site is shown on the vicinity map attached to this report.

## 2.0 METHOD OF ANALYSIS

- The Rational Formula (shown below) is used to estimate peak runoff rates.

$$Q = C_a C_i i_a A$$

Where:

- Q= Estimated Peak Runoff from site (cfs)
- C<sub>a</sub>= Antecedent Moisture Factor (Unitless)
- C= Runoff Coefficient (Unitless)
- i<sub>a</sub>= Rainfall Intensity Adjustment Factor (Unitless)
- i= Rainfall Intensity (in/hr)
- A= Area of Site (Acres)

- Precipitation data/runoff coefficients are obtained from the Santa Cruz County Design Criteria Manual. Precipitation intensity is based upon the P60 Isopleth for Santa Cruz County (see attached map).

## 3.0 SYSTEM EVALUATION

- Included in this report are spreadsheets for the 10 year return period showing the estimated peak runoff rates from the site for current and post development conditions.
- The runoff values shown in the spreadsheets are calculated using the Rational Formula. Values for C are found in The County of Santa Cruz Design Criteria, a copy of these values is attached to this report.
- Antecedent Moisture factors (C<sub>a</sub>) for the Rational formula are found in The County of Santa Cruz Design Criteria, a copy of these values is attached to this report. C<sub>a</sub> is 1.0 for the 2, 5, and 10-year events, and C<sub>a</sub> is 1.1 for the 25-year event.
- The rainfall intensities are taken from the IDF curve, which is attached to this report. These intensities are for the 10-year event. The value for I<sub>a</sub> is 1.0 for the 2, 5, & 10 year events, and 1.2 for the 25 year event.

## 4.0 SUMMARY

The table below shows the estimated peak flows and detention for the site drainage system.

| DRAINAGE AND DETENTION SUMMARY      |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| DRAINAGE ITEM                       | QUANTITY |
| 10-YEAR PRE DEVELOPMENT FLOW (CFS)  | 1.62     |
| 10-YEAR POST DEVELOPMENT FLOW (CFS) | 1.64     |
| 25-YEAR PRE DEVELOPMENT FLOW (CFS)  | 2.14     |
| 25-YEAR POST DEVELOPMENT FLOW (CFS) | 2.16     |
| DETENTION STORAGE REQUIRED (CF)     | 71       |
| DETENTION STORAGE PROVIDED (CF)     | 453      |

## 5.0 DESCRIPTION OF DOWNSTREAM DRAINAGE

The site drains primarily west towards Lee Road. The gutter in Lee Road running along the project frontage is directed into a channel running North Along Lee Road. The channel (trapezoidal, approximately 6' wide by 3' deep) carries all of the drainage for the site north along Lee Road. The swale in Lee Road is directed to a 24" HDPE culvert with a concrete headwall labeled SDH1297 on the City of Watsonville drainage inventory, located at the southeast corner of the intersection of Lee Road and Beach Street. The 24" culvert directs stormwater North into the City of Watsonville Storm Drainage System, starting at manhole SDM 5025. From there a 36" RCP storm drain conveys City Drainage north, then at SDI 1028 the 36" RCP turns west, running parallel to the Union Pacific Railroad Right-of-Way. The City system outlets through culvert SDH 1294 into an agricultural drainage swale (Trapezoidal, approximately 20' wide by 6' deep). The swale runs west along the railroad right-of way, connecting to Watsonville Slough. From said connection point, Watsonville Slough runs southwest and empties to the Pajaro Lagoon at the mouth of the Pajaro River. The Pajaro Lagoon connects to the Monterey Bay.

Some small vegetated areas around the south and east perimeter of the site currently drain southeast to the existing drainage channel adjacent to the Highway 1 Riverside Drive Exit. The drainage channel connects to an existing GO storm drain inlet. This inlet drains through an 24" RCP to a manhole in Lee Road and from there to a 33" RCP which outlets to the existing swale in Lee Road described in the previous paragraph.

In response to drainage comments dated March 26, 2009 the site drainage outlet will be reconfigured from a pumped thru-curb drain in the existing condition to a pumped direct connection to a new manhole located on Lee road. Per the drainage comments, the existing 33" RCP pipe was analyzed for capacity, the calculations are now included in the report. The existing swale along Lee Road has a flowline elevation higher than the outlet of the 33" RCP, (the 33" system must back up before outleting at a higher level), the system has been modeled using a 24" diameter (effective area) pipe in order to accurately reflect this condition. The calculations show that all inlets and manholes in the street will maintain 8" minimum freeboard per Drainage Criteria Section D Note 8, and that overall this proposed connection will have a minimal impact on the existing system.

This paragraph cites the City of Watsonville Storm Drainage Master Plan, prepared by James M. Montgomery Consulting Engineers, Dated July 1980. The Master Plan includes the project site area in its analysis, the project site is located within the Watsonville Slough Drainage Basin. The Master Plan notes no capacity problems associated with the Swale in Lee Road or the culvert connecting to the City drainage system. The Master Plan did note surface drainage issues at the intersection of Lee Road and West Beach Street, however these issues appear to have been since resolved with street and drainage improvements to the intersection. The Master Plan identifies the existing 36" RCP storm drain running north on Lee Road and west along the Railroad Right of Way as having sufficient capacity. The slough itself is identified as having sufficient capacity for a 25-year storm. It is noted in the report that there are some areas where the slough overtops certain roadways when the 25-year event is exceeded, and states that this is the normal function of the slough.

## 6.0 CONCLUSIONS

The proposed improvements will not significantly change the existing drainage patterns. Some unpaved areas currently draining southeast will be directed directly to Lee road bypassing the Riverside Drive Exit drainage channel. These areas will be paved with semi-pervious pavement to store excess storm water and allow for delay time as would be provided in pre-development by the Riverside Drive Exit Swale.

The proposed improvements to the site constitute a slight increase to the site imperviousness. This increase will be mitigated through the use of pervious pavement drainage systems, sized to detain the excess runoff created by the new impervious surfaces, (the calculations assume the semi-pervious surfaces to be impervious for the purposes of detention sizing). The rock storage layer beneath the proposed semi-pervious surfaces will provide more than 6 times the required detention storage volume based on a 10-year storm event. The proposed pervious pavement drainage systems will be located in the east portion of the

site away from the underground gas tanks, and will have backflow valves attached at the connection points to the hard lines to prevent any accidental spills into the on-site catch basins *from contaminating* the pervious pavement drainage system.

It is our opinion that the proposed improvements will not cause adverse downstream effects.

C O U N T Y O F S A N T A C R U Z  
D I S C R E T I O N A R Y A P P L I C A T I O N C O M M E N T S

Project Planner: Randall Adams  
Application No.: 08-0480  
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**Environmental Planning Completeness Comments**

===== REVIEW ON NOVEMBER 24, 2008 BY ROBERT S LOVELAND =====

1. A "Flood Geological Hazards Assessment" needs to be completed for this project. Please pay for this assessment at the Zoning Counter of the Planning Department and have it added to this application.
2. The soils report submitted has been received and is currently under review. NOTE: The soils report can not be completely approved until the "Flood Geological Hazards Assessment" has been completed.
3. The soils report identifies that the over-excavation/recompaction earthwork will need to be completed as part of this project. Please provide this volume of earthwork seperately under "Grading Quantities" on Sheet C2. NOTE: Please submit all grading calculations from Bowman & Williams for verification. ===== UPDATED ON MARCH 26, 2009 BY ROBERT S LOVELAND =====

Items 1 & 3 above have been addressed.

NOTE TO PLANNER: My understanding is that Item 2 above will be addressed by Carolyn.  
===== UPDATED ON MARCH 27, 2009 BY CAROLYN I BANTI =====

++ Completeness ++ Soils and Grading ++ Second Review ++

We have received a copy of the "Response to Review of Geotechnical Investigation" by Ali Askoorouchi, dated March 6, 2009. We have reviewed this document and a response letter is in process. County issued comments outlined in our forthcoming response letter must be addressed prior to building permit issuance. Acceptance of the soils report has been moved to "Miscellaneous Comments/Conditions of Approval" section.

**Environmental Planning Miscellaneous Comments**

===== REVIEW ON NOVEMBER 24, 2008 BY ROBERT S LOVELAND =====

Conditions of Approval:

1. Submit a "Plan Review Letter" from the project geotechnical engineer prior to building permit issuance.
2. The project architect or civil engineer must complete the following federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) document prior to building permit approval: "Flood Proofing Certificate for Non-Residential Structures (FEMA Form 81-65)" and submit to Environmental Planning for review.
3. Submit the "Declaration of Geologic Hazards Document" that was provided in the "Geologic Hazards Assessment" (Permit Application Number: 08-0480). Must be submitted prior to building permit issuance.
4. All non-residential structures shall be floodproofed so that below an elevation

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one foot higher than the one-hundred year flood level, the structure is watertight with walls substantially impermeable to the passage of water based on structural designs, specifications and plans developed or reviewed by a registered professional engineer or architect (Section 16.10.070 (vii) (A)).

5. All non-residential structures be capable of resisting hydrostatic and hydrodynamic loads and effects of buoyancy (Section 16.10.070 (vii) (B)).

6. All non-residential structures shall be certified by a registered professional engineer or architect that floodproofing standards and requirements have been complied with; the certification shall indicate the elevation to which floodproofing was achieved prior to a final building inspection (Section 16.10.070 (vii) (C)).

===== UPDATED ON MARCH 27, 2009 BY CAROLYN I BANTI =====

7. Please address all soils report review comments and incorporate final mitigations into the project design.

8. Submit two copies of the soils report and addendum(s) along with the building permit application.

**Dpw Drainage Completeness Comments**

LATEST COMMENTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN SENT TO PLANNER FOR THIS AGENCY

===== REVIEW ON NOVEMBER 22, 2008 BY LOUISE B DION =====

Application with civil plans revised October 13, 2008 and Storm Drain System Analysis Report & Calculations revised October 10, 2008 by Bowman and Williams, and correspondence from Architect Frank E. Areyano, dated July 24, 2006 have been received.

This application was previously submitted as application #05-0629. The following completeness comments outstanding from that application are:

1) This development is within the Pajaro River floodplain. Please show that the finish floor elevations have provided 300 mm freeboard from the Q100 or flood of record flow for the convenience store / restaurant. In addition to FEMA and County Code regulations, this development is subject to the County of Santa Cruz Design Criteria (latest edition was approved by the County Board of Supervisors in June 2006). See Section D of Stormwater Management for reference of previous comments. Furthermore, elevation of non-residential structures above the 100-year flood level is also required by County Code, Section 16.10.070. Per the Code, floodproofing is only allowed when elevation is not feasible.

In addition to comments made under discretionary application #05-0629 we have the following additional comments:

1) Please provide a letter of approval from the geotechnical engineer addressing the feasibility of using permeable pavement at the site.

2) How much runoff is received onsite from upslope properties and how is this runoff

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to be controlled? Show (quantitatively, if necessary) that the proposed drainage plan is adequate in this respect.

3) Provide the flow rate for the propose 3- flow thru curb drain. What is the capacity of the existing gutter for 10 and 25 year storm?

4) Please provide a complete assessment of downstream impacts identifying capacity restrictions downstream system receiving site runoff and identify the ultimate water body receiving this flow. While the system in the vicinity has been partially described in the report, restrictions and the complete flow path have not been completely assessed.

5) While complete review of drainage calculations will be performed during building permit review please conceptually describe the mechanism proposed to control release to predevelopment rates. Calculations supporting the method of control must be submitted during the building permit application stage.

Because this application is incomplete in addressing County requirements, resulting revisions and additions will necessitate further review comment and possibly different or additional requirements.

All resubmittals shall be made through the Planning Department. Materials left with Public Works will not be processed or returned.

The Dept. of Public Works, Stormwater Management Section, is available to answer any questions in person from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon.

If you have questions, please contact me at 831-233-8083.

===== UPDATED ON MARCH 26, 2009 BY LOUISE B DION =====

Application with civil plans dated 1/29/09, correspondence dates 1/30/2009 and Hydrology and Storm Detention Calculations by Bowman and Williams have been received.

Please address the following:

Prior item 1) Incomplete. Will the "Flood Geological Hazards Assessment" be completed during the discretionary permit application? If not review of this item will be deferred until the building permit application stage. However doing so may lead to design changes as a result of additional drainage review comments. It is preferable that we review this information as part of the discretionary permit application.

Prior item 2) Incomplete. Correspondence from geotechnical engineer was not included in the submittal.

Prior item 3) Incomplete. It is our understanding that the existing site topography

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requires pumping off storm runoff. If pumping is the only solution for the proposed drainage design then the drainage water should not be discharged through the curb drain but should be connected directly to storm drain pipe. It must also be demonstrated that the capacity of the existing 36- RCP can accommodate this additional runoff. Please describe the overflow path in the event of larger storm events. Since water does not drain from the site without pumping, will runoff from larger storm events requiring pumping as well? Does the existing 36 inch pipe have sufficient capacity for this?

Prior item 4) Incomplete. The 1980 City of Watsonville Storm Drainage Masterplan Table 3-1 indicates RCP pipe diameters which are less than the 36- RCP shown on the plans. Did the Masterplan recommend upsizing pipe sections 181-184? The excerpts provided are for existing conditions. What build out conditions were assumed in the Masterplan which indicated that th current system has sufficient capacity for 25 year storms? Do the build out assumptions correspond to actual present day build out for the drainage system downstream of the project site? Does the Masterplan indicate flooding occurs for all storm events greater than 25 years?

Because this application is incomplete in addressing County requirements, resulting revisions and additions will necessitate further review comment and possibly different or additional requirements.

All resubmittals shall be made through the Planning Department. Materials left with Public Works will not be processed or returned.

The Dept. of Public Works, Stormwater Management Section, is available to answer any questions in person from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon.

If you have questions, please contact me at 831-233-8083.

===== UPDATED ON AUGUST 15, 2009 BY LOUISE B DJON =====

Application with revised civil plans, Hydrology and Stormwater Detention Calculations, and correspondence from Bowman and Williams, Consulting Civil Engineers, dates 6/15/09 have been received.

Our concerns regarding feasibility for proposed drainage system have been addressed and the application is deemed complete with respect to the discretionary permit application stage. Detailed review of drainage system design and calculations will occur during the building permit application stage.

Please see miscellaneous comments for additional guidance.

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Dpw Drainage Miscellaneous Comments

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===== REVIEW ON NOVEMBER 22, 2008 BY LOUISE B DION =====

Miscellaneous comments to be addressed during building permit application:

1. Provide recorded maintenance agreement for the the permeable pavement. Include maintenance recommendations and identify who is responsible for maintenance on the final plans. The agreement shall also provide wording to the effect that future resurfacing of pervious with impermeable material is not permissible.
2. Please provide measures for preventing debris from entering the detention facilities in order to minimize future clogging and maintenance.
3. Describe how all trash and storage areas are designed to prevent storm water pollution. Please note on the plans a provision for permanent bold markings at each inlet that reads: "NO DUMPING - DRAINS TO BAY".
4. A drainage impact fee will be assessed on the net increase in impervious area. The fees are currently \$1.00 per square foot, and are assessed upon permit issuance. Reduced fees are assessed for semi-pervious surfacing to offset costs and encourage more extensive use of these materials.

Dpw Road Engineering Completeness Comments

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===== REVIEW ON NOVEMBER 14, 2008 BY GREG J MARTIN =====

No comment on discretionary. Additional details required for building permit. Greg Martin 831-454-2811 Building permit:ADA sidewalk behind ramp ===== UPDATED ON NOVEMBER 21, 2008 BY GREG J MARTIN =====

Dpw Road Engineering Miscellaneous Comments

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===== REVIEW ON NOVEMBER 14, 2008 BY GREG J MARTIN =====

===== UPDATED ON NOVEMBER 21, 2008 BY GREG J MARTIN =====

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Environmental Health Completeness Comments

===== REVIEW ON NOVEMBER 17, 2008 BY JIM G SAFRANEK =====  
NO COMMENT

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Hazardous materials or hazardous waste are to be used, stored or generated on site, contact the appropriate Hazardous Material Inspector in Environmental Health at 454-2022 to determine if a permit is required. Complete before Building Permit approval.

Applicant must obtain approval for an Environmental Health Plan Review prior to submittal of building plans. Applicant must obtain Environmental Health Plan Check approval, a construction inspection final and a Food Establishment Health Permit prior to opening. Contact A. Strader a Food Establishment Health Permit prior to opening. Contact A. Strader of Environmental Health at 454-2741. Complete before Building Permit approval.

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===== REVIEW ON DECEMBER 2, 2008 BY COLLEEN L BAXTER =====

DEPARTMENT NAME: CALFIRE/SANTA CRUZ COUNTY FIRE

Have the DESIGNER add the appropriate NOTES and DETAILS showing this information on the plans and RESUBMIT, with an annotated copy of this letter:

Note on the plans that these plans are in compliance with California Building and Fire Codes (2007) as amended by the authority having jurisdiction.

The job copies of the building and fire systems plans and permits must be onsite during inspections.

NOTE on the plans the OCCUPANCY CLASSIFICATION, BUILDING CONSTRUCTION TYPE/FIRE RATING and SPRINKERED or NONSPRINKERED as determined by the building official and outlined in Part IV of the California Building Code, e.g. R-3, Type V-N, Sprinklered.

Note on these plans the occupancy load of each area. Show where the occupancy load signs will be posted.

FIRE FLOW requirements for the subject property are 1500GPM. Note on the plans the REQUIRED and AVAILABLE FIRE FLOW. The AVAILABLE FIRE FLOW information can be obtained from the water company.

SHOW on the plans a public fire hydrant, meeting the minimum required fire flow for the building, within 150 feet of any portion of the building. This information can be obtained from the water company.

Fire hydrant shall be painted in accordance with the state of California Health and Safety Code. See authority having jurisdiction.

A minimum fire flow 1500 GPM is required from 1 hydrant located within 200 feet.

NOTE on the plans that the building shall be protected by an approved automatic fire sprinkler system complying with the currently adopted edition of NFPA 13 and Chapter 35 of California Building Code and adopted standards of the authority having jurisdiction.

NOTE that the designer/installer shall submit three (3) sets of plans and calcula-

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tions for the underground and overhead Residential Automatic Fire Sprinkler System to this agency for approval. Installation shall follow our guide sheet.

NOTE on the plans that an UNDERGROUND FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM WORKING DRAWING must be prepared by the designer/installer. The plans shall comply with the UNDERGROUND FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM INSTALLATION POLICY HANDOUT.

Building numbers shall be provided. Numbers shall be a minimum of 4 inches in height on a contrasting background and visible from the street. additional numbers shall be installed on a directional sign at the property driveway and street.

Plan check is based upon plans submitted to this office. Any changes or alterations shall be re-submitted for review prior to construction.

72-hour minimum notice is required prior to any inspection and/or test.

Note: As a condition of submittal of these plans, the submitter, designer and installer certify that these plans and details comply with the applicable Specifications, Standards, Codes and Ordinances, agree that they are solely responsible for compliance with applicable Specifications, Standards, Codes and Ordinances, and further agree to correct any deficiencies noted by this review, subsequent review, inspection or other source, and, to hold harmless and without prejudice, the reviewing agency.

The automatic fire sprinkler system shall be monitored by a remote or central station monitoring company. Separate plans and permits are required.

The fire sprinkler system shall be installed in the store as well as the car wash and fueling canopy. Separate plans and permits are required.

The fire department connection (FDC) shall be within 40 feet of a fire hydrant meeting the water flow requirements. The FDC is to be a minimum of 50 feet and no more than 200' from the building.

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===== REVIEW ON DECEMBER 2, 2008 BY COLLEEN L BAXTER =====

Santa Cruz County Site Mitigation List

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| Address                                | Parcel ID | Project Name                   | 5 | L | Study                           |
|--|-----------|--------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|
| 40 West Lake Ave, 550 Rodriguez St     | WAT       | Radcliff School Expansion      | 5 | L |                                 |
| 5 Lakeview Rd.                         | WAT       | Western Farm Service/Crop Prod | 4 | R | Nitrate                         |
| 475 Lakeview Rd.                       | WAT       | Shikuma Bros., Inc.            | 4 | L | Gasoline                        |
| 320 Larita Dr.                         | BL        | John & Hilda Gallagher         | 1 | L | Chemicals                       |
| Larkin Valley Rd                       | WAT       | Xanthus Landfill/Granite Const | 5 | R | HC/WO/M                         |
| 1141 Laurel Ave.                       | FEL       | County Bank & Trust            | 1 | L | Drug Lab                        |
| 3 Laurel Glen Rd.                      | SOQ       | Casalegno's Market             | 3 | L | Gasoline<br>12/5/2000           |
| 16925 Laurel Rd.                       | LG        | Rick Sharp Residence           | 1 | L | Gasoline                        |
| Laurel St.                             | SC        | Laurel Street Bridge Project   | 2 | L | Organic                         |
| 100 Laurel St.                         | SC        | Shell Station                  | 2 | L | Gasoline<br>5/3/1995 12/19/1994 |
| 21 Laurel St at Blackburn St           | SC        | Salvation Army Project         | 2 | L | Oil<br>6/28/2000 9/4/2002       |
| 101 Lee Rd.                            | WAT       | Former Chevron #1001267        | 5 | R | Gas/D/MtBE                      |
| 103 Lee Rd.                            | WAT       | Coast Oil                      | 5 | L | Gasoline                        |
| 103 Lee Rd.                            | WAT       | G.N. Renn/TOSCO Bulk Plant     | 5 | R | D/MtBE                          |
| 104 Lee Rd.                            | WAT       | G.W. Davls, Inc.               | 5 | L | HC                              |
| 120 Lee Rd.                            | WAT       | Berman Steel                   | 5 | L | Gasoline                        |
| 200 Lee Rd. & Hwy 1                    | WAT       | Chevron Station #9-1927        | 5 | R | Gas/MtBE                        |
| 110 Lindberg St.                       | SC        | Wilson Bro./Lindberg St Prop   | 2 | L | PNA's                           |
| 784 Lockhart Gulch Rd.                 | SV        | David Hunter                   | 1 | L | Gasoline<br>1/20/1995           |
| 240 Locust St. Refer to 135 Walker St. | WAT       | Cal Spray                      | 5 | L | Poison                          |
| 2750 Lode St.                          | SC        | East Cliff Trans Pump Station  | 3 | R | D/MtBE                          |

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November 17, 2008

Mr. Randall Adams  
County of Santa Cruz  
Planning Department  
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Sent Electronically To:  
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Original Sent By First Class Mail

SUBJECT: COMMENT – DEMOLITION OF GAS STATION AT 200 LEE ROAD,  
WATSONVILLE; AND CONSTRUCTION OF REPLACEMENT GAS  
STATION CONVENIENCE STORE, RESTAURANT, CAR WASH, ETC.

Dear Mr. Adams:

The Air District submits the following comments for your consideration:

Demolition of Gas Station

The demolition of the gas station will require a demolition permit from the Air District. Please contact Mike Sheehan in the District's Compliance Division to discuss requirements.

Air District Rule 439, Building Removals

The demolition is also subject to Rule 439, Building Removals. I have attached a copy for your reference.

Thank you for the opportunity to review the document.

Sincerely,

Jean Getchell  
Supervising Planner  
Planning and Air Monitoring Division

cc: Mike Sheehan, Compliance Division

Attachment: Rule 439

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SUBJECT: WATER AND SEWER AVAILABILITY AT 200 LEE ROAD

Dear Mr. Scurfield:

Please be advised that the City of Watsonville currently provides water and sewer service to the existing gas station at 200 Lee Road. Changes or upgrades to the current water service would require completion and submittal of a water service application to the City of Watsonville, and payment of any applicable connection, and construction fees. In addition, sewer connection fees will be required or evidence that they have been paid for the connection to the City's sewer collection system located in Lee Road.

This letter is not a guarantee of water or sewer availability. The provision of water and sewer service is determined by the Watsonville City Council. Please contact me at (831) 768-3076 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Tom Sharp  
Senior Engineering Associate  
Community Development Department



## County of Santa Cruz

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Ken Corbishley, Executive Secretary

### SANTA CRUZ COUNTY AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES – May 21, 2009

Members Present

Bruce Dau  
Mike Manfre  
Sam Earnshaw  
Frank "Lud" McCrary  
Ken Corbishley

Staff Present

Samantha Haschert  
Randall Adams  
Nell Sulborski  
Lisa LeCoup

Others Present

Dee Murray  
Susan Williams  
Mark Trainer  
Ty Gob  
Mandy Bhandal  
Dominique Muzzy  
Mark Crupkie

1. The meeting was called to order by Bruce Dau at 1:35 p.m.
2. (a) Approval of March 19, 2009 Minutes:  

M/S/P to approve the minutes.
- (b) Additions/Corrections to Agenda:  

None.
3. Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson:  

Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson rescheduled for later in the meeting.
4. Commissioner's Presentations:  

Commissioner McCrary mentioned the maps available on Google Earth.

**Item 2 (a)**

Commissioner Dau will not be available for June and July meetings.

5. Staff Presentations:

None.

6. Oral Communications

None.

REGULAR AGENDA:

**7. 08-0529 584 GREEN VALLEY RD., WATSONVILLE APN(s): 051-521-42**

Proposal to construct a 640 square foot Second Unit. Requires an Amendment to Agricultural Buffer Determination 06-0327 to reduce the required 200-foot setback to about 126' from APN 050-151-12 and about 124' from APN 050-151-13. Property located on the northeast corner of the intersection of Green Valley Road and Lita Lane (584 Green Valley Road).

APPLICANT: DAVID ALCARAZ

OWNER: JOSE & SUSANA MANDUJANO

PROJECT PLANNER: SAMANTHA HASCHERT, 454-3214

EMAIL: [PLN145@CO.SANTA-CRUZ.CA.US](mailto:PLN145@CO.SANTA-CRUZ.CA.US)

Samantha Haschert gave the staff report. The Commissioners discussed the project.

M/S/P to accept the staff recommendations for the project.

**8. 09-0060 145 CREST DRIVE, WATSONVILLE APN: 046-241-03**

Proposal to demolish an existing 672 square foot 2 bedroom single family dwelling and to construct a 2488 square foot, 1 story, 2 bedroom single family dwelling with 1 attached garage and 1 detached garage, located within the 200-foot agricultural buffers to the north and west. Requires an Agricultural Buffer Determination to reduce the required 200-foot setback to about 120-feet from APN's 046-271-07 and 046-271-24 to the northwest, about 75-feet from APN 046-241-33 to the west, and about 140-feet from APN 046-271-08 to the northwest. Property located on the southeast side of Crest Drive about 2600-feet south west of San Andreas Road in Watsonville (145 Crest Drive).

APPLICANT: JEFFERY & SUSAN WILLIAMS

OWNER: JEFFERY & SUSAN WILLIAMS

PROJECT PLANNER: SAMANTHA HASCHERT, 454-3214

EMAIL: [PLN145@CO.SANTA-CRUZ.CA.US](mailto:PLN145@CO.SANTA-CRUZ.CA.US)

Samantha Haschert gave the staff report. There was one change to clarify a condition of approval in the report, on item II, A, (2), to add that the six foot tall fence would be required along the southwest property line shared with parcel 046-241-33. This was to clarify the length of the fence as about 300 feet. The designation CAO was explained as Commercial Agricultural with Open space.

The owner, Susan Williams, commented on the requirement of a six foot fence and requested that the currently planted shrubs be considered an acceptable alternative, and she volunteered to sign a statement of acknowledgement that a fence would be constructed if the adjacent parcel were to be farmed.

The Commissioners discussed the project.

M/S/P to accept the staff recommendations for the project with a revision to the Conditions of Approval II, A, (2) to read "Final plans shall show the location of a six foot tall solid board fence and vegetative buffer barrier along the south west property line for a length of approximately 50 feet as measured from the shed/garage on the adjacent property APN 046-241-33 to the rear wall of the proposed attached garage." The vegetative barrier would be an evergreen hedge that would reach at least six foot in height.

**9. 08-0480 200 LEE RD., WATSONVILLE APN(S): 052-271-03**

Proposal to demolish an existing gas station, to construct a replacement gas station with a convenience store, restaurant, car wash, and associated improvements. Requires an Agricultural Buffer Setback Reduction to reduce the required agricultural buffer setback from 200-feet to 56-feet (from APN 052-271-04) to the north, 15-feet (from APN 052-271-04) to the northeast, 190-feet (from APN 052-272-01 across Riverside Drive/Highway 129) to the south, and 74-feet (from APN 052-581-09 across Lee Road) to the west. Property located on the east side of Lee Road, at the northwest corner of Highway 1 and Highway 129, in Watsonville (200 Lee Road).

APPLICANT: DEE MURRAY

OWNER: KHOSROW HAGHSHENAS

PROJECT PLANNER: RANDALL ADAMS, 454-3218

EMAIL: PLN515@CO.SANTA-CRUZ.CA.US

Randall Adams gave the staff report.

Dee Murray described the project. Several of the gas stations customers were present and expressed their support for the project.

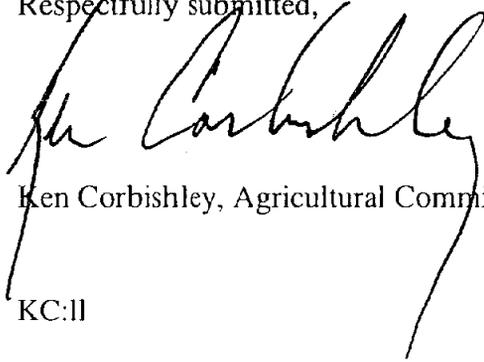
The Commissioners mentioned that the issues that they had had with the project had been addressed.

M/S/P to accept the staff recommendations for the project.

M/S/P to elect Bruce Dau to continue as Chairperson and Ken Kimes to continue as Vice Chairperson.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

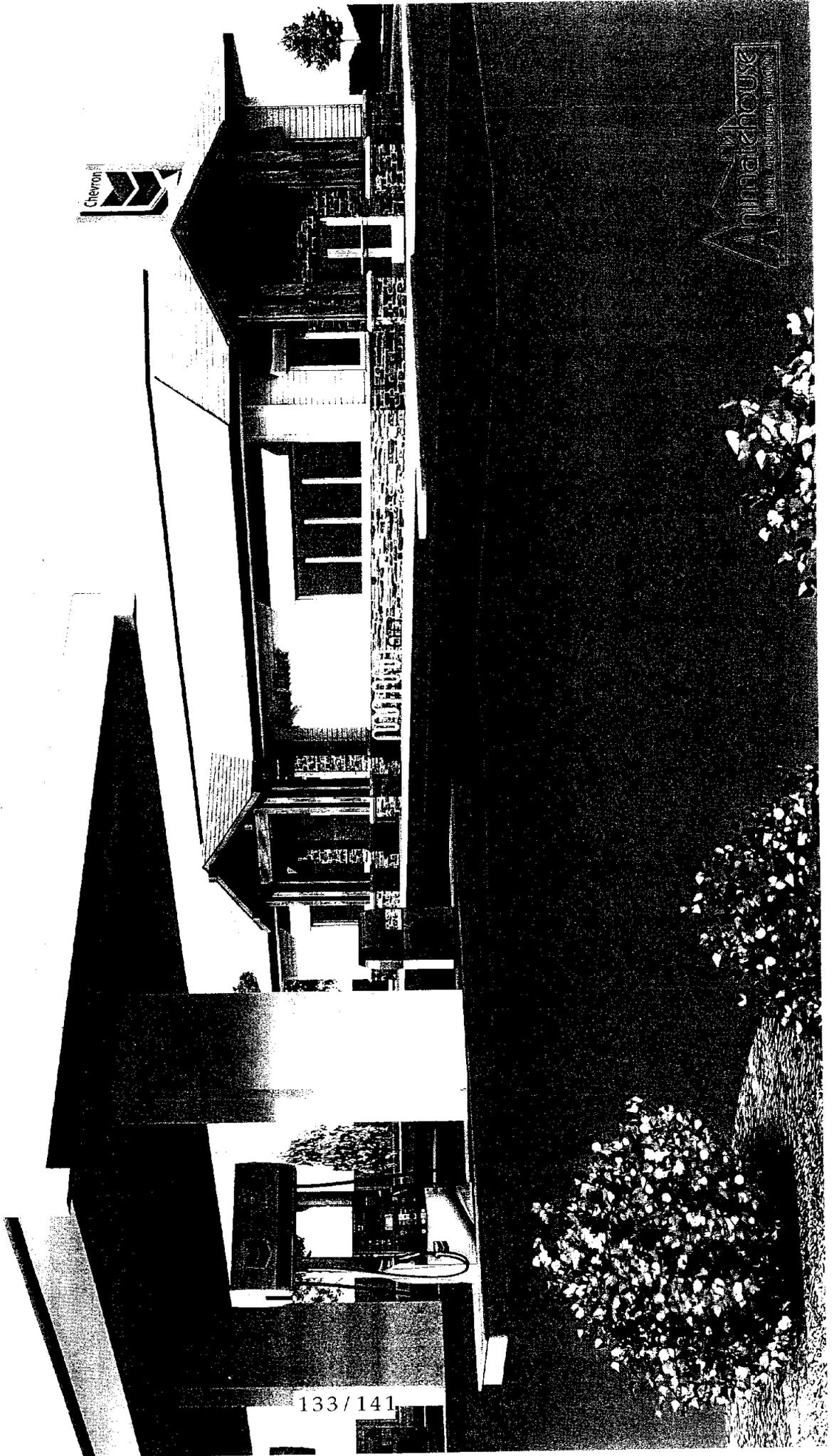
Respectfully submitted,



Ken Corbishley, Agricultural Commissioner, Executive Secretary

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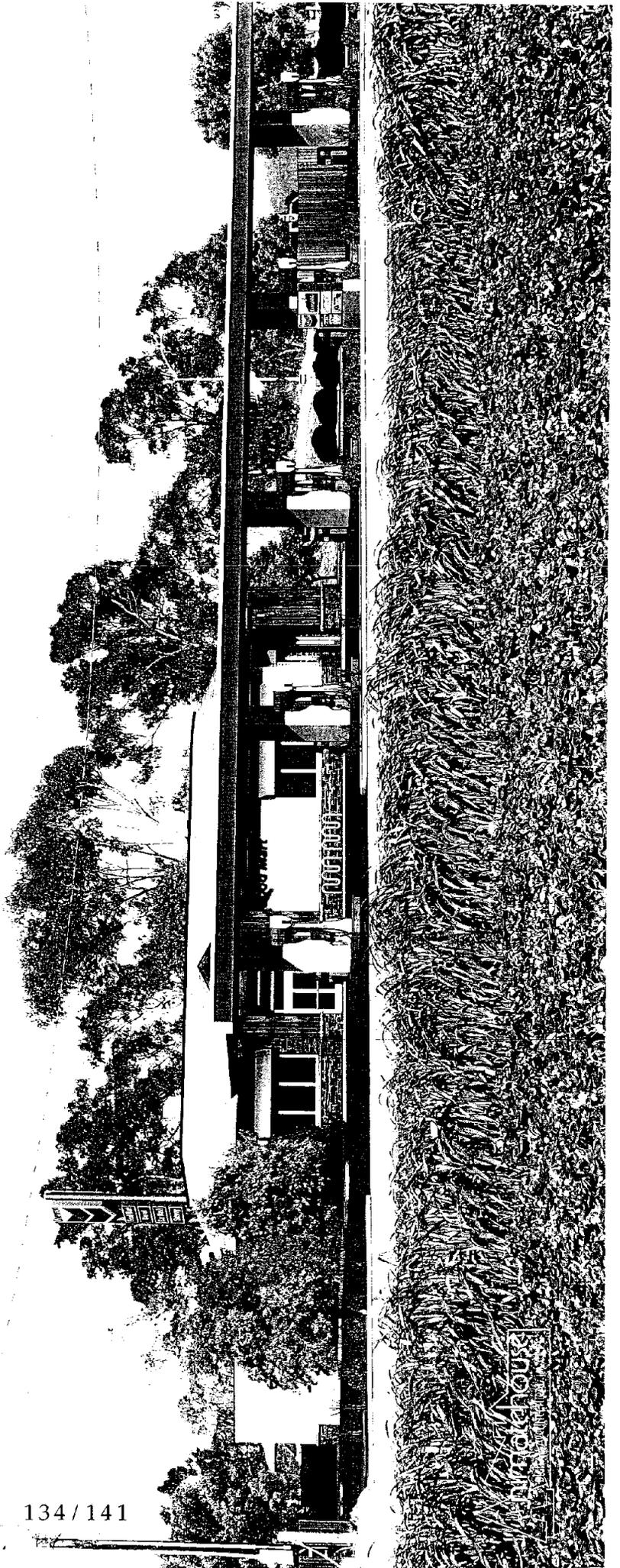


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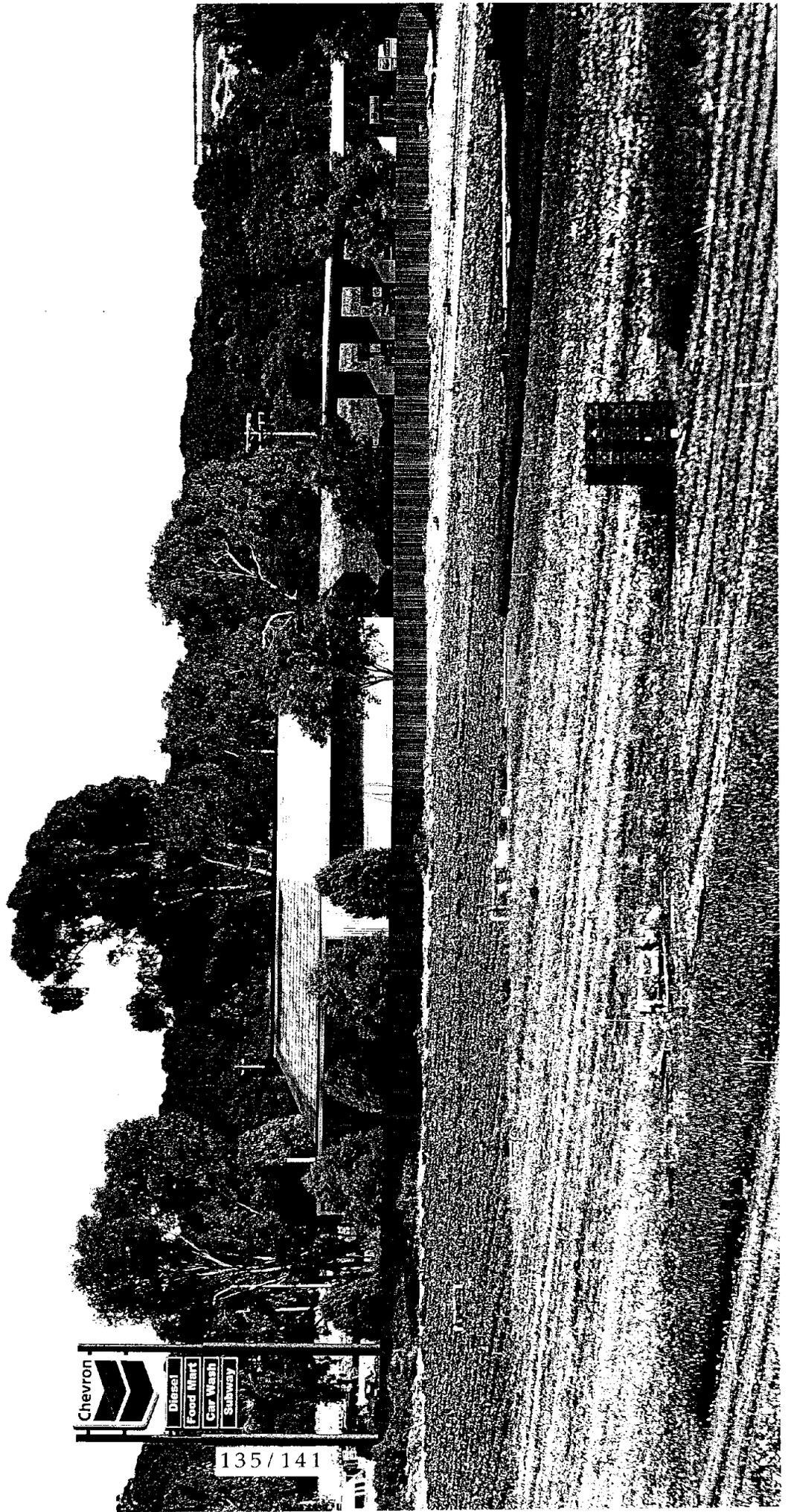


EXHIBIT F

October 28, 2008

County of Santa Cruz  
Planning Department  
700 Ocean Street, Room 701  
Santa Cruz, California 95060

Re: Operational Statement for Pajaro Valley Chevron convenience store and restaurant, 200 Lee Road, Watsonville.

To the Planning Staff:

Since 1992, I have been the owner and operator of Pajaro Valley Chevron service station, located at 200 Lee Road just outside of Watsonville, California. The service station has three full service bays for auto repairs that are currently not being utilized except for convenience store storage and two fueling islands each with two double-sided dispensers.

My plans for this site are to demolish all the existing structures including the entire fueling area and canopy. New construction will consist of three separate structures: a new convenience store with a co-branded fast food restaurant, a carwash structure, and a new canopy at the fueling area, install new underground fuel storage tanks and fuel piping system, provide an outdoor seating area, new landscaping and on-site parking.

The following is an operational statement for the new business. The fueling area will have five fueling islands with each island having one double-sided dispenser and a roof canopy structure of 2,948 square feet. The convenience store and restaurant will occupy a total building footprint of 5,534 square feet. The carwash structure will be a tunnel type facility of 890 square feet.

The convenience store and fast food restaurant will operate twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven days a week. The convenience store will make application for a liquor license to have off-sale general liquor sales for beer and wine. The store will have merchandise for candies, hot and cold drinks, microwavable prepackaged foods, deli items, ice sales and miscellaneous dry goods for automotive and household items.

Convenience store employees will have training in-house for food safety while the sales of alcoholic beverages will require additional training of convenience store employees.

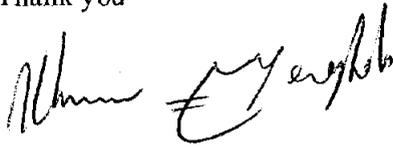
The carwash structure will have capacity to service approximately ten automobiles per hour and has capacity to handle five autos in a queue without interfering with traffic lot circulation. All operations of the carwash structure are to be handled by employees of the convenience store.

The maximum desirable indoor seating capacity for the restaurant will be between forty-five and sixty patrons. Outdoor seating is available to serve the patrons from the convenience store and the restaurant as well as the public.

The convenience store will tentatively have three shifts with a minimum of two employees per shift for a total of six employees. The restaurant can have an additional three shifts with a possibility of four employees minimum per shift for a total of twelve employees.

If you have any questions, concerns or need further clarifications, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Khosrow Haghshenas', written in a cursive style.

Khosrow Haghshenas



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November 10, 2009

Mr. Randall Adams  
 County of Santa Cruz  
 Planning Department  
 701 Ocean Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
 Santa Cruz, CA 95060

SUBJECT: MND FOR KHOSROW HAGSHENAS  
 (LEE ROAD GAS STATION)

Dear Mr. Adams:

Demolition of Structures

As you are well aware, demolition is subject to the federal NESHAPS, which the District enforces. Please coordinate all proposed demolition work with Mike Sheehan in the District's Compliance Division. If he is not available, please contact Shawn Boyle or Cindy Searson. Demolition is also subject to District Rules 400, 402 and 439, which are attached for your reference.

The District suggests the following condition of project approval:

*To ensure that there are no significant impacts on the environment from demolishing structure(s) and disposing of any debris that may contain lead paint or asbestos-containing materials, the Project Applicant shall notify the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District (MBUAPCD) and provide a complete project description prior to applying for building or demolition permits. This requires obtaining approval of the demolition plan and the plan for disposing associated waste material, as required by federal regulations (National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants - NESHAPS), and the following MBUAPCD rules: Rule 400, Visible Emissions; Rule 402, Nuisances; Rule 424, NESHAPS; and Rule 439, Building Removals. The MBUAPCD's comments shall become part of the project file.*

Permit(s) for Gas Station

Please contact Lance Ericksen in the District's Engineering Division to discuss the Authority to Construct permit.

Anti-Idling Regulation

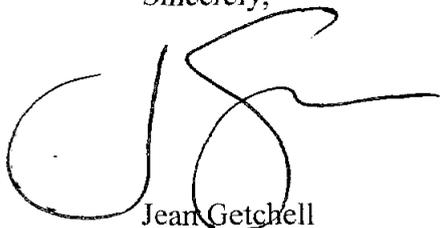
Please see Title 13, California Code of Regulations, Section 2485 (c) (1) regarding idling of commercial vehicles, which follows:

**California Code of Regulations**

Title 13. § 2485. Airborne Toxic Control Measure to Limit Diesel-Fueled Commercial Motor Vehicle Idling (a) Purpose. The purpose of this airborne toxic control measure is to reduce public exposure to diesel particulate matter and other air contaminants by limiting the idling of diesel-fueled commercial motor vehicles. (b) Applicability. This section applies to diesel-fueled commercial motor vehicles that operate in the State of California with gross vehicular weight ratings of greater than 10,000 pounds that are or must be licensed for operation on highways. This specifically includes: (1) California-based vehicles; and (2) Non-California-based vehicles. (c) Requirements. On or after February 1, 2005, the driver of any vehicle subject to this section: (1) shall not idle the vehicle's primary diesel engine for greater than 5.0 minutes at any location, except as noted in Subsection (d); and (2) shall not operate a diesel-fueled auxiliary power system (APS) to power a heater, air conditioner, or any ancillary equipment on that vehicle during sleeping or resting in a sleeper berth for greater than 5.0 minutes at any location when within 100 feet of a restricted area, except as noted in Subsection (d).

Thank you for the opportunity to review the document.

Sincerely,



Jean Getchell  
Supervising Planner  
Planning and Air Monitoring Division

Attachments: Rules 400, 402, 424 and 439

cc: Lance Ericksen, Engineering Division  
Mike Sheehan, Compliance Division

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SCr: 1-R0.72  
SCH#: 2009102076

Mr. Matthew Johnston  
County of Santa Cruz  
701 Ocean Street, 4th Floor  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Dear Mr. Johnston:

**COMMENTS ON THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE LEE ROAD  
CHEVRON GAS STATION**

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), District 5, Development Review, has reviewed the above referenced project and has the following comments.

1. The Department supports local development that is consistent with State planning priorities intended to promote equity, strengthen the economy, protect the environment, and promote public health and safety. We accomplish this by working with local jurisdictions to achieve a shared vision of how the transportation system should and can accommodate interregional and local travel and development.
2. Given that this project will generate additional traffic and has the potential to significantly impact the State highway system, Caltrans requests that a traffic impact study be completed that includes Highway 1 mainline operations, and both the northbound and southbound ramp nodes at Highway 1/Highway 129/Riverside Drive. In addition, we request that a signal warrant analysis at this location also be completed.
3. To ensure that the traffic impacts of the future development on Highway 1 are properly evaluated, it is recommended that the traffic study be prepared in accordance with the Department's "Guide for the Preparation of Traffic Impact Studies." Please visit the Department's Internet site for a copy of these guidelines at:  
<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/traffops/developserv/operationalsystems/reports/tisguide.pdf>. An alternative methodology that produces technically comparable results can also be used.

Mr. Matthew Johnston

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4. Because the Department is responsible for the safety, operations, and maintenance of the State transportation system, our Level of Service (LOS) standards should be used to determine the significance of the project's impact. We endeavor to maintain a target LOS at the transition between LOS C and LOS D on all State transportation facilities. In cases where a State facility is already operating at an unacceptable LOS, *any* additional trips added should be considered a significant cumulative traffic impact, and should be mitigated accordingly.

Thank you for your consideration and action upon these items. We look forward to receiving the requested analysis disclosing the full impacts of the project to the State highway system. If you have any questions, or need further clarification on the items discussed above, please do not hesitate to call me at (805) 549-3099 or e-mail [jennifer.calate@dot.ca.gov](mailto:jennifer.calate@dot.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



JENNIFER CALATÉ  
Associate Transportation Planner  
District 5 Development Review Coordinator