

13.0 MITIGATION AND MONITORING PROGRAM

13.1 MITIGATION AND MONITORING PROGRAM CONTENTS

This section contains the proposed Mitigation and Monitoring Program (MMP) for the proposed Tierra Robles Planned Development Project (Z10-002/TM 1996). The MMP includes a brief discussion of the legal basis for and the purpose of the program, discussion, and direction regarding complaints about noncompliance, a key to understanding the monitoring matrix, and the monitoring matrix itself.

13.2 LEGAL BASIS OF AND PURPOSE FOR THE MITIGATION AND MONITORING PROGRAM

California Public Resources Code §21081.6 requires public agencies to adopt mitigation monitoring or reporting programs whenever certifying an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) or a Mitigated Negative Declaration. This requirement facilitates implementation of all mitigation measures adopted through the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process.

The MMP contained herein is intended to satisfy the requirements of CEQA as they relate to the EIR prepared for the proposed project. It is intended to be used by County staff, participating agencies, project applicant, project contractors, and mitigation monitoring personnel during implementation of the proposed project. Mitigation is defined by State *CEQA Guidelines* §15370 as a measure that does any of the following:

- *Avoids impacts altogether by not taking a certain action or parts of an action.*
- *Minimizes impacts by limiting the degree or magnitude of the action and its implementation.*
- *Rectifies impacts by repairing, rehabilitating, or restoring the impacted environment.*
- *Reduces or eliminates impacts over time by preservation and maintenance operations during the life of the project.*
- *Compensates for impacts by replacing or providing substitute resources or environments.*

This Section 13.0 will be provided as part of the Final EIR.

