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Sutter County values its environmental resources and is committed to the protection of its wildlife and habitat, minerals, water, scenic amenities, cultural resources, and air quality. Preservation of these resources and their quality is not only beneficial to current residents but is crucial to the sustainability of future generations.

Approximately seven percent of unincorporated Sutter County is used for open space and remains in its natural state. The County's unique natural open space and water resources include the Sutter Buttes, the Sutter Bypass, the Butte Sink, and the Sacramento, Feather, and Bear River corridors, as shown in Figure ER-1, Water Resources. Important biological resources present include several special status species, as well as annual grasslands, oak woodlands, wetlands, and riparian habitat, with the largest expanse of relatively undisturbed habitat located in the Sutter Buttes. These natural open space areas and habitats are also considered the unique visual resources of Sutter County, and the views of these resources are to be preserved.

Sutter County contains areas classified by the California Department of Conservation (Department) as Mineral Resource Zone (MRZ)-1 and MRZ-3.^{1, 2} MRZ-1 indicates an area that contains mineral deposits and is not of regional or statewide significance, and MRZ-3 indicates areas containing mineral deposits, the significance of which requires further evaluation. There are no areas within Sutter County designated by the Department to be of statewide or regional significance (MRZ-2). However, mineral extraction does occur and is anticipated to continue and will be guided by the policies in this element.

¹ California Department of Conservation, Division of Mines and Geology (now known as California Geological Survey), Special Report 132 "Mineral Land Classification Portland Cement Concrete-Grade Aggregate in the Yuba City-Marysville Production-Consumption Region (map plates 1, 2, and 6)," 1986.

² The mineral resources present are not sufficient to trigger the development of specific Mineral Resource Management Policies by the County per Public Resources Code Section 2762.

Sutter County was one of the original 27 counties in California, set up by the first legislature in 1850. Due to Sutter County's long history, the area is rich in cultural resources and contains Registered Historic Landmarks, Points of Historical Interest, historic-era resources, and pre-historic sites that could contain paleontological and archaeological resources. Many of the known cultural resources can be found along water courses with a high concentration in the Sutter Buttes.

Located within the Northern Sacramento Valley Air Basin, air pollutants are primarily generated from automobile use and to a lesser extent, farming operations. The air quality in the Basin has improved over time, and it is the vision of the County to continue improving the air quality.

Sutter County's vision is to preserve its significant natural assets. Consistent with this vision, the goals, policies and implementation programs of this element guide new development and require the protection, preservation, and enhancement of: significant natural wetland and riparian habitats; wildlife and vegetation; unique natural open space lands and resources; significant mineral resources; surface water and groundwater; visual and scenic resources; prehistoric, historic, paleontological and archaeological resources; and air quality. To further the County's commitment to the preservation of its natural resources, this element also requires minimization of impacts from new development, and mitigation for the loss of resources. It is also the County's vision to conserve renewable resources and reduce the impact on the environment. Policies in this element support the vision by requiring water use reduction and exploring recycled water use.

GOALS & POLICIES:

BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES & OPEN SPACE

Goal ER 1 **Support a comprehensive approach for the conservation, enhancement, and regulation of Sutter County’s significant habitat and natural open space resources.**

Policies

ER 1.1 **Natomas Basin HCP.** Ensure compliance with the adopted Natomas Basin Habitat Conservation Plan to promote biological conservation within the Natomas Basin portion of Sutter County.

ER 1.2 **Yuba-Sutter NCCP/HCP.** Participate in the preparation and implementation of the Yuba-Sutter Natural Community Conservation Plan/Habitat Conservation Plan to promote biological conservation within the Plan boundary area in Sutter County.

ER 1.3 **Conservation Efforts.** Focus conservation efforts on areas identified as having very high and high habitat value as well as Sutter County’s unique natural open space resources, including the Sutter Buttes, Sutter Bypass, Butte Sink, and the Sacramento, Feather, and Bear River corridors.

ER 1.4 **Interconnected Habitat.** Emphasize the preservation, enhancement, and creation of sustainable, interconnected habitat and open space areas that highlight unique resources and integrate educational and recreational opportunities as appropriate.

ER 1.5 **Resources Assessment.** Require discretionary development proposals that could potentially impact biological resources to conduct a biological resources assessment to determine if any resources will be adversely affected by the proposal and, if so, to identify appropriate measures to avoid or mitigate such impacts.

ER 1.6 **Avoidance.** Ensure that new development projects avoid, to the extent feasible, significant biological resources (e.g. areas of rare, threatened or endangered species of plants, riparian areas, vernal pools), except where such projects are identified as “Authorized Development” within an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan.

ER 1.7 **Mitigation.** Mitigate biological and open space effects that cannot be avoided in accordance with an applicable Habitat Conservation Plan and federal, State, and local regulations.

ER 1.8 **Permits.** Require that new development secure all necessary state and federal resource permits/approvals prior to any development activity.

ER 1.9 **Buffers.** Ensure that new development incorporates buffers and other measures adequate to protect biological habitats that have been preserved, enhanced, and created.

ER 1.10 **Funding.** Identify and pursue economically viable methods and funding sources for the long-term maintenance and management of significant biological and open space resource areas, including State and federal programs.

Goal ER 2 **Conserve, protect, and enhance Sutter County’s significant natural wetland and riparian habitats.**

Policies

ER 2.1 **No Net Loss.** Require new development to ensure no net loss of state and federally regulated wetlands, other waters of the United States (including creeks, rivers, ponds, marshes, vernal pools, and other seasonal wetlands), and associated functions and values through a combination of avoidance, restoration, and compensation.

ER 2.2 **Resource Conservation District.** Encourage and support the Sutter County Resource Conservation District’s programs that facilitate preservation and restoration of natural wetland environments as long as these programs do not significantly affect Sutter County agricultural lands and flood control operations.

ER 2.3 **Minimize Surface Runoff.** Minimize direct discharge of surface runoff into wetland areas and design new development in such a manner that pollutants and siltation will not significantly affect jurisdictional wetlands.

ER 2.4 **Wetland Mitigation Banks.** Encourage the creation and use of regional wetland mitigation banks to the extent that they do not conflict with Sutter County agricultural lands and flood control operations. (*ER 2-A*)

Goal ER 3 **Conserve, protect, and enhance Sutter County’s varied wildlife and vegetation resources.**

Policies

ER 3.1 **Special-Status Species.** Preserve special-status fish, wildlife, and plant species (e.g., rare, threatened or endangered species) and habitats consistent with an applicable Habitat Conservation Plan and federal, State, and local regulations.

ER 3.2 **Agency Coordination.** Coordinate with federal, State, and local resource agencies (e.g., California Department of Fish and Game, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers) to protect special-status species.

- ER 3.3 **Fisheries.** Support the preservation and re-establishment of fisheries in the rivers and streams within Sutter County.
- ER 3.4 **Waterfowl Resources.** Preserve and protect waterfowl resources along the Pacific Flyway Migration Corridor.
- ER 3.5 **Wildlife Corridors.** Preserve and enhance wildlife movement corridors between natural habitat areas to maintain biodiversity and prevent the creation of biological islands. Preserve contiguous habitat areas when possible.
- ER 3.6 **Natural Vegetation.** Preserve important areas of natural vegetation and the ecological integrity of these habitats, where feasible, including but not limited to riparian, vernal pool, marshes, oak woodlands and annual grasslands. (ER 3-A)
- ER 3.7 **Oak Trees.** Preserve native oak trees when possible through the review of discretionary development projects and activities. Reduce the loss of oak trees through consideration of tree mitigation/replanting programs. (ER 3-B/ER 3C)
- ER 3.8 **Native Plant Use.** Encourage the use of native and drought tolerant plant materials, including native tree species, in all public and private landscaping and revegetation projects. (ER 3-D)
- Goal ER 4 **Conserve, protect, and enhance Sutter County's unique natural open space lands and resources.**

Policies

- ER 4.1 **Preserve Natural Resources.** Preserve natural land forms, natural vegetation, and natural resources as open space to the extent feasible.
- ER 4.2 **Sutter Buttes.** Preserve the Sutter Buttes as an important agricultural, cultural, historic, habitat, and open space resource. Promote and support efforts by willing landowners to increase opportunities for public access to the Sutter Buttes and other open space areas. (ER 4-A)
- ER 4.3 **River Corridors.** Preserve the Sacramento, Feather, and Bear River corridors as important habitat, recreation and open space resources. Support efforts to increase public access and recreational uses along the County's river corridors.
- ER 4.4 **Acquisition of Additional Open Space Areas.** Support efforts to acquire additional open space adjoining protected natural resource areas to increase the size, connectivity, and buffering of existing habitat.
- ER 4.5 **Minimize New Development Impacts.** Require new development to minimize its impacts to open space areas. (ER 4-B)

- ER 4.6 **Mitigation for Other Jurisdictions.** Prohibit land mitigation within Sutter County for projects within other jurisdictions unless there is a benefit to Sutter County. Benefits can include, but are not limited to, providing flood protection for Sutter County, providing opportunities for Sutter County projects' use of the area for mitigation, or making the natural resources available for the enjoyment of Sutter County residents.

MINERAL RESOURCES

- Goal ER 5 **Encourage commercial resource extraction activities in locations where environmental, aesthetic, and adjacent land use compatibility impacts can be adequately mitigated.**

Policies

- ER 5.1 **Significant Resources.** Conserve and protect mineral resources that may be identified by the State as a significant resource to allow for their continued use in the economy.
- ER 5.2 **Compatible Operations.** Require that gas and mineral resource extraction activities be designed and operated to minimize incompatibilities with nearby land uses and incorporate features that buffer existing and planned adjacent uses. Extraction activities shall incorporate adequate measures to minimize impacts to local residents, county roadways, services, facilities, and the environment.
- ER 5.3 **No New Operations in Sutter Buttes.** Prohibit the establishment of any new mining operations in the Sutter Buttes.
- ER 5.4 **Reclamation.** Require mined areas to be reclaimed after minerals are extracted in accordance with County and State standards to a condition that is sensitive to the natural environment and where subsequent, beneficial uses can occur.

WATER RESOURCES & QUALITY

- Goal ER 6 **Preserve and protect the County's surface water and groundwater resources.**

Policies

- ER 6.1 **Integrated Water Management Programs.** Integrate water management programs that emphasize multiple benefits and balance the needs of agricultural, rural, and urban users. (ER 6-A)
- ER 6.2 **Surface Water Resources.** Protect the surface water resources in the County including the Sacramento, Feather and Bear Rivers and their significant tributaries.

- ER 6.3 Groundwater Sustainability.** Protect the sustainability of groundwater resources. *(ER 6-A)*
- ER 6.4 Groundwater Recharge Areas.** Require new development to preserve areas that provide important groundwater recharge, stormwater management, and water quality benefits such as undeveloped open spaces, natural habitat, riparian corridors, wetlands, and natural drainage areas. *(ER 6-A)*
- ER 6.5 Regional Coordination on Groundwater Use.** Coordinate with local and regional jurisdictions on groundwater use to minimize overdraft conditions of aquifers. *(ER 6-A)*
- ER 6.6 Groundwater Protection.** Regulate stormwater collection and conveyance, as necessary, to protect groundwater supplies from contamination. *(ER 6-A)*
- ER 6.7 Water Rights.** Support the protection of the existing water rights of water agencies and providers within Sutter County. Do not support out-of-area water transfers where they would adversely impact water supply within Sutter County. Support either out-of-area, or in-basin water transfers that would not negatively impact water supply within Sutter County.
- ER 6.8 Recycled Water.** Explore the feasibility of utilizing recycled water, where appropriate, cost effective, and safe. *(ER 6-B)*
- ER 6.9 Water Use Reduction.** Implement, as appropriate, the reduction measures in the Climate Action Plan targeted to reduce water use. Such measures may include: adopting a per capita water use reduction goal; implementing a water conservation and efficiency program; providing incentives for new development to reduce potable water use; installing water meters for uses not using wells; encouraging water suppliers to adopt a water conservation pricing schedule; encouraging upgrades in water efficiency; providing training and education on water efficiency; and increasing recycled water use.
- ER 6.10 Stormwater Quality.** Control pollutant sources from construction and operational activities, and improve stormwater runoff quality, through the use of stormwater protection measures in accordance with County, State, and federal regulations. *(ER 6-C)*
- ER 6.11 New Development.** Require new development to protect the quality of water resources and natural drainage systems through site design, and use of source controls, stormwater treatment, runoff reduction measures, best management practices, and Low Impact Development. *(ER 6-C)*
- ER 6.12 Natural Watercourses.** Require new development to integrate natural watercourses and provide buffers between waterways and urban development to minimize disturbance of watercourses and to protect water quality. *(ER 6-D)*

ER 6.13 **Education.** Educate the public about practices and programs to minimize water pollution.

VISUAL RESOURCES

Goal ER 7 **Preserve the visual and scenic resources that define Sutter County. (Modified 1.H)**

Policies

ER 7.1 **Scenic Resources.** Protect views of Sutter County's unique scenic resources including the Sutter Buttes, wildlife and habitat areas, the Sacramento, Feather, and Bear Rivers, and other significant resources. (ER 7-A)

ER 7.2 **Scenic Roadways.** Enhance the visual character along the County's key transportation corridors, in particular Highways 99 and 20, through application of consistent design and landscape standards. (ER 7-B)

ER 7.3 **Visually Complimentary Development.** Require new development adjacent to the County's scenic resources to be sited and designed to visually complement the natural environment, topography, and aesthetic viewsheds. (ER 7-A)

ER 7.4 **New Development.** Apply design, development, and landscaping standards to new industrial and commercial developments to ensure a quality visual appearance. Screening of parking, ancillary features, storage yards, and other similar elements shall be required.

ER 7.5 **Lighting.** Support practices that reduce light pollution and preserve views of the night sky including the design and sighting of light fixtures to minimize glare and light on adjacent properties. (ER 7-A)

CULTURAL RESOURCES

Goal ER 8 **Identify, protect, and enhance Sutter County's important cultural and paleontological resources to increase awareness of the County's heritage.**

Policies

ER 8.1 **Identification.** Identify cultural resources, which include prehistoric, historic, paleontological, and archeological resources, throughout the County to provide adequate protection of these resources.

- ER 8.2 **Preservation.** Ensure the preservation of significant cultural and paleontological resources, including those recognized at the national, state, and local levels. *(ER 8-A through ER 8-D)*
- ER 8.3 **Sutter Buttes.** Preserve the Sutter Buttes as an important cultural resource.
- ER 8.4 **Inclusion on Historic Registers and District.** Promote the registration of historic resources under the National and State registers and within the County's Historic Preservation Combining District.
- ER 8.5 **Consultation.** Consult with the appropriate organizations and individuals early in the development process (e.g., Information Centers of the California Historical Resources Information System, Native American Heritage Commission, and Native American groups and individuals) to minimize potential impacts to cultural resources.
- ER 8.6 **Compatible New Development.** Review proposed new development, rehabilitation efforts, and remodels for compatibility with the surrounding historic context.
- ER 8.7 **Adaptive Reuse.** Encourage the adaptive reuse of historic resources when the original use of the resource is no longer feasible. *(ER 8-E)*
- ER 8.8 **Financial Incentives.** Consider providing financial incentives to private owners and development in order to maintain, rehabilitate, and preserve cultural resources. *(ER 8-F/ER 8-G)*
- ER 8.9 **Public Awareness.** Educate the public on the County's important cultural resources to increase awareness for protection.

AIR QUALITY

Goal ER 9 Protect, maintain and improve the air quality in Sutter County.

Policies

- ER 9.1 **Ambient Air Quality Standards.** Work with the California Air Resources Board and the Feather River Air Quality Management District (FRAQMD) to meet State and federal ambient air quality standards.
- ER 9.2 **FRAQMD.** Support FRAQMD in its establishment of appropriate standards to address the air quality impacts of new development.
- ER 9.3 **Emission Reduction.** Implement, as appropriate, the reduction measures in the Climate Action Plan targeted to reduce air quality emissions. Such measures may include: adopting a trip reduction ordinance; adopting a comprehensive parking program that facilitates the use of alternative modes and carpooling; providing incentives for carpooling at the workplace; providing a comprehensive system of facilities for non-motorized transportation; developing transit infrastructure; and expanding

the use of renewable fuels and low emission vehicles.

- ER 9.4 Automobile Dependence Reduction.** Implement land use patterns that reduce automobile dependence (e.g., compact development, mixed-use development), and encourage the use of alternative modes of transportation by incorporating public transit, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities in new developments.
- ER 9.5 FRAQMD Review.** Submit development proposals to FRAQMD for review and comment in accordance with CEQA prior to consideration by the County's decision making body.
- ER 9.6 New Development.** Review and ensure new development projects incorporate feasible measures that reduce construction and operational emissions.
- ER 9.7 New Sensitive Uses.** Require development of new air quality sensitive uses to be located an adequate distance from existing and potential sources of air pollutant emissions consistent with California Air Resources Board recommendations. (ER 9-A)
- ER 9.8 Facilities Producing Toxic Air Pollutants.** Require new facilities or operations that may produce toxic or hazardous air pollutants to be located an adequate distance from sensitive air quality receptors consistent with California Air Resources Board recommendations. (ER 9-A)
- ER 9.9 Odors.** Require, for uses other than permitted agricultural operations, that adequate buffer distances be provided between odor sources and sensitive receptors.
- ER 9.10 Contractor Preference.** Give preference to contractors that use low-emission equipment and other practices with air quality benefits for County-sponsored construction projects, and to businesses that practice sustainable operations.
- ER 9.11 County Fleet.** Purchase low-emission vehicles for the County's fleet and use clean fuel sources for trucks and heavy equipment, when feasible.
- ER 9.12 Public Education.** Educate the public about air quality, its effects on health, and efforts the public can make to improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

IMPLEMENTATION:

The following Implementation Programs apply specifically to policies in the Environmental Resources Element and are referenced after the policies they implement. Policies that do not include reference to a specific implementation program will be implemented by established and/or anticipated ongoing plans, regulations, and processes that the County commonly uses in its normal course of business. These ongoing mechanisms are discussed in Chapter 12, Administration and Implementation.

Biological Resources & Open Space

- ER 2-A** Work with federal, State, and local agencies/entities to establish a mitigation banking program.
Implements Policy: ER 2.4
Responsible Department: Community Services Department
Priority/Timeframe: Medium
- ER 3-A** Review landscape development plans to preserve native plants to the extent feasible and discourage planting of non-native plants.
Implements Policy: ER 3.6
Responsible Department: Community Services Department
Priority/Timeframe: Medium (Ongoing)
- ER 3-B** Require an arborist report when a project requiring discretionary approval has the potential to affect native oak trees.
Implements Policy: ER 3.7
Responsible Department: Community Services Department
Priority/Timeframe: High (Ongoing)
- ER 3-C** Develop a tree preservation ordinance that adequately protects, preserves, and mitigates any adverse effects to oak trees and any other trees determined by the County to be of significant value.
Implements Policy: ER 3.7
Responsible Department: Community Services Department
Priority/Timeframe: High
- ER 3-D** Incorporate the use of native and non-invasive drought tolerant plant materials at County buildings, facilities, and parks in the future.
Implements Policy: ER 3.8
Responsible Department: Community Services Department
Priority/Timeframe: High (Ongoing)
- ER 4-A** Study the feasibility of developing conservation and preservation programs for the Sutter Buttes that will provide for long term protection of the resources and the basic property rights of the landowners. Continue to implement the existing requirements of the Sutter Buttes Overlay Zone.

Implements Policy: ER 4.2

Responsible Department: Community Services Department

Priority/Timeframe: Medium

ER 4-B: Explore the feasibility of establishing a funding mechanism to impose mitigation fees for conversion of agricultural and open space lands.

Implements Policy: ER 4.5

Responsible Department: Community Services Department

Priority/Timeframe: Medium

Water Resources and Quality

ER 6-A Develop a Countywide Groundwater Management Plan and participate in the development and implementation of an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan.

Implements Policies: ER 6.1, ER 6.3, through ER 6.6

Responsible Department: Public Works Department

Priority/Timeframe: Medium (2011-2014)

ER 6-B Conduct a study to determine the feasibility of utilizing recycled water, where appropriate, cost effective, and safe.

Implements Policy: ER 6.8

Responsible Department: Public Works Department

Priority/Timeframe: Medium

ER 6-C Update and revise the joint Yuba City – Sutter County Stormwater Management Plan to include the growth areas.

Implements Policy: ER 6.10, ER 6.11

Responsible Department: Public Works Department

Priority/Timeframe: Medium (2012-2013)

ER 6-D Require new development that incorporates or is adjacent to natural watercourses to consult with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, California Department of Fish and Game, and/or the Regional Quality Control Board to determine the appropriate buffer width between waterways and urban development.

Implements Policy: ER 6.12

Responsible Department: Community Services Department

Priority/Timeframe: High (Ongoing)

Visual Resources

IP ER 7-A Review and amend the Sutter County Design Guidelines to include direction for all residential and non-residential uses to address: the protection of unique scenic resources; siting and design to visually compliment the natural environment, topography, and aesthetic viewsheds; and reduction of light pollution in the night sky.

Implements Policies: ER 7.1, ER 7.3, ER 7.5

Responsible Department: Community Services Department

Priority/Timeframe: Medium

IP ER 7-B Develop design standards and criteria for new development located along Highway 20 and 99, and Garden Highway to protect views of the County's scenic resources including the Sutter Buttes, wildlife and habitat areas, the Sacramento, Feather, and Bear Rivers, and other significant resources. The standards shall include a combination of landscaping use, screening of outdoor storage, building height limitations and setbacks.

Implements Policy: ER 7.2

Responsible Department: Community Services Department

Priority/Timeframe: Medium

Cultural Resources

IP ER 8-A For projects subject to discretionary approval involving the demolition, relocation, or alteration of a building or structure over 45 years old or that would result in a change to the building or structure's immediate setting, the County shall require an assessment by a professional historic resource consultant to determine if the action would cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an historical resource pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15064.5.

Implements Policy: ER 8.2

Responsible Department: Community Services Department

Priority/Timeframe: High (Ongoing)

ER 8-B If the historical resource assessment determines that the proposed action would cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an historical resource, the County shall require as a condition of project approval the implementation of appropriate and feasible measures to reduce the potential impact, including the appropriate level of written and photographic documentation of significant historical resources that would be demolished.

Implements Policy: ER 8.2

Responsible Department: Community Services Department

Priority/Timeframe: High (Ongoing)

ER 8-C For projects subject to discretionary approval, which involve grading, excavation, or construction, require the applicant to hire a professional that meets the Secretary of Interior's professional qualifications standards for archaeology to conduct an archaeological resource investigation. As determined necessary by the archaeologist and the County, the investigation may include, but not be limited to, an updated records search, pre-construction field surveys, research, and testing, and/or other methods that identify whether a substantial adverse impact on significant archaeological resource would occur. If cultural resources are discovered, the resource shall be examined by a qualified archaeologist to determine its significance and develop appropriate protection and preservation measures.

Implements Policy: ER 8.2

Responsible Department: Community Services Department

Priority/Timeframe: High (Ongoing)

ER 8-D Require that when any subsurface cultural resources, paleontological resources, or human remains are encountered, all work within 100 feet of the discovery be stopped and the area protected from further disturbance until the discovery is evaluated. The appropriate County personnel shall be notified immediately. The resources shall be examined by qualified personnel to determine their significance and develop appropriate protection and preservation measures.

If human remains are discovered, they shall be treated in compliance with applicable State and federal laws, including notifying the County Coroner and consulting with the California Native American Heritage Commission, as appropriate.

Implements Policy: ER 8.2

Responsible Department: Community Services Department

Priority/Timeframe: High (Ongoing)

ER 8-E Update Zoning Code to allow for adaptive reuse of historic resources.

Implements Policy: ER 8.7

Responsible Department: Community Services Department

Priority/Timeframe: High (Ongoing)

ER 8-F Maintain, rehabilitate, and preserve cultural resources by implementing the County's Historic Preservation Combining District.

Implements Policy: ER 8.8

Responsible Department: Community Services Department

Priority/Timeframe: High (Ongoing)

ER 8-G Pursue local, State, and federal funding opportunities to rehabilitate, support, or provide incentives to maintain cultural resources.

Implements Policy: ER 8.8

Responsible Department: Community Services Department

Priority/Timeframe: Medium

Air Quality

ER 9-A Require adequate distances between facilities that may produce toxic or hazardous air pollutants and sensitive receptors in accordance with the recommendations in the *California Air Resources Board Air Quality and Land Use Handbook: A Community Health Perspective*. If it is determined that these minimum distances can not met, then coordinate with FRAQMD to require that a health risk assessment be prepared for the new development to determine appropriate mitigation.

Implements Policy: ER 9.7, ER 9.8

Responsibility: Community Services Department, Feather River Air Quality Management District

Priority/Timeframe: High (Ongoing)