

Attachment E – Environmental Findings

MONTECITO RANCH OPEN SPACE VACATION

PDS2021-VAC-21-001

ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS

AUGUST 18, 2021 1ST HEARING; SEPTEMBER 1, 2021 2ND HEARING

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) FINDINGS

1. Find that the proposed project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15308 because it consists of an action taken by regulatory agencies in order to ensure maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the environment through coordination with state and federal agencies. The project is further exempt because it can be seen with certainty that the open space vacation will not have a significant impact on the environment as it will allow for the preservation of biological resources on the Montecito Ranch Property per CEQA Regulations Section 15061(b)(3).
2. Find that the proposed project is consistent with the Resource Protection Ordinance (RPO) (County Code, Section 86.601 et seq.).
3. Find that plans and documentation have been prepared for the proposed project that demonstrate that the project complies with the Watershed Protection, Stormwater Management, and Discharge Control Ordinance (County Code, Section 67.801 et seq.).