

# Froom Ranch Specific Plan

(Los Osos Valley Road) SPEC-0143-2017

Specific Plan, General Plan Amendment, and related actions that would allow for the development of the Froom Ranch Specific Plan Area.

July 26, 2017

Applicant: John Madonna Construction, Inc.



## Scoping Meeting Agenda

- Introductions
- General Project Outline
- Receive public and agency comment on the scope and nature of the environmental analysis in the EIR
- Outline Next Steps



#### Introduction to the Team

- City of San Luis Obispo CEQA Lead Agency
  - Shawna Scott, Project Liason
  - Michael Codron, Community Development Director
- SWCA Environmental Consultants a planning and environmental firm with a local office in San Luis Obispo
  - Emily Creel, Contract Planner



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## **Project Overview**

- Specific Plan, General Plan Amendment, and related actions that would allow for the development of the Froom Ranch Specific Plan Area
  - Approximately 110 acres
  - Primarily Residential with some Commercial
  - Villaggio
  - Neighborhood Trailhead Park with Historic Ranch Structures incorporated





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# **Project Location**



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# **Project Overview**

- Discretionary Permits
  - General Plan Amendment/Pre-Zoning
  - Specific Plan
  - Development Plan/Tentative Tract Map(s)
  - Architectural Review
  - Annexation
- Additional Formal and Advisory Reviews
  - Airport Land Use Commission
  - Cultural Heritage Committee
  - Parks and Recreation Commission
  - Bicycle Advisory Committee



# **EIR Process**

- Preliminary Draft Applications/Specific Plan Submitted to the City
- Specific Plan Preparation Underway
- Notice of Preparation (xx xx)
- Scoping Meeting (July 26, 2017)
- Draft EIR
- Response to Comments
- Final EIR
- Consideration of CEQA document during City application process
- Certification of the EIR by the City Council

(italics indicate opportunities for public involvement)



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## **Scoping Meeting Purpose**

- Provides an opportunity for interested parties to comment on scope, content, and focus of the EIR.
- Identify potential environmental issues not included in the Initial Study.
- Identify potential project alternatives, mitigation measures and impact evaluation methods.



#### **Issue Areas**

- Aesthetics
  - Visual impact assessment required to analyze effects of development above 150-foot elevation
  - Visibility from public roadways
- Agriculture
  - Grazing land, agriculture conservation easement
- Air Quality & Greenhouse Gas Emissions
  - Construction, Vehicle and other Operational, including special considerations



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## Issue Areas (cont'd)

- Biological Resources
  - Sensitive plants, special status animal species, Froom Creek, wetlands, sensitive habitat, nesting birds, trees
- Cultural Resources
  - Froom Ranch Historic Complex
- Geology & Soils
  - Stability, landslides, erosion, faulting





## Issue Areas (cont'd)

- Hazards & Hazardous Materials
  - Fire, Airport Land Use Plan Safety Zone 2, access
- Hydrology & Water Quality
  - Relocation of Froom Creek and existing detention basin, offsite stormwater retention basin, wetlands, drainage, erosion, flooding



- Land Use & Planning
  - Evaluation of Consistency with Plans



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## Issue Areas (cont'd)

- Noise
  - Construction, operational, and traffic related noise
- Population & Housing
  - Growth-inducing effects
- Public Services & Recreation
- Transportation & Circulation
  - Signalized intersection on LOVR



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## Issue Areas not Carried Forward

Mineral Resources



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#### **Your Comments**

- Suggestions:
  - Scope and content of the EIR
  - Local environmental knowledge
  - Methods for analysis of environmental issues
  - Potential alternatives to the project
  - Potential mitigation measures that would avoid or reduce environmental issues
- Comment Form



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#### Thank You!

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#### To review the Initial Study:

Go to: <a href="https://www.slocity.org/government/department-directory/community-development/documents-online/environmental-review-documents/folder-1911">www.slocity.org/government/department-directory/community-development/documents-online/environmental-review-documents/folder-1911</a>

Comments due (mail or email) by xx, 2017

