TULARE COUNTY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT Dunn Asphalt and Concrete Batch Plant (PSP 18-049) (State Clearinghouse # 2019011039)

Project Title:

Dunn Asphalt and Concrete Batch Plant PSP 18-049 (State Clearinghouse # 2019011039).

Project Location:

The proposed Project will be located at 7763 Avenue 280 which is located along the south side of Avenue 280, approximately one mile west of State Route 99 and east of Road 68, in an unincorporated area of Tulare County. The approximately 20-acre site is located on Tulare County APN 119-010-039 and is currently zoned AE-40 (Exclusive Agricultural-40 Acre Minimum) and the use would be consistent with the zoning with an approved special use permit. The site is located within the *Goshen* 7.5 Minute USGS Quadrangle in Section 8, Township 19S, Range 24E, M.D.B.& M.

Project Description:

The Applicant is pursuing a Special Use Permit through Tulare County for the permanent establishment of a hot-mix asphalt (HMA) batch plant that would produce 150,000 tons of HMA per year on the proposed site; the recycling of 30,000 tons of concrete and asphalt per year to be crushed into recycled base on the proposed site plant; and the permanent establishment of a concrete batch plant that would produce 100,000 cubic yards (approximately 200,000 tons) of concrete per year. The Project would utilize 15-20 employees and include an approximate 1,000 square foot office. The facility will operate Monday-Friday between 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturdays. Depending upon demand, summer hours may begin earlier than 6:00 a.m. Site access will be provided via one main driveway connecting to the south side of Avenue 280 approximately 1,000 feet east of Road 76.

Potentially Significant Environmental Impact:

The Project's potentially significant environmental impacts include: Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Hydrology and Water Quality, Transportation, and Tribal Cultural Resources. Mitigation measures will be recommended, where feasible, to mitigate potentially significant impacts.

EIR Availability:

A copy of the draft EIR (DEIR) will be available for review at the Tulare County Resource Management Agency, 5961 South Mooney Blvd., Visalia, CA 93277, (559) 624-7000, (Monday – Thursday: 9:00 am to 4:30 pm) and (Friday: 9:00 am to 11:00 am).

A copy of the DEIR may also be obtained and/or reviewed at the following location:

Visalia Branch Library Tuesday through Thursday: 09:00 am – 8:00 pm

200 West Oak Avenue Friday: 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm Visalia, CA 93291 Saturday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

The Dunn Asphalt and Concrete Batch Plant PSP 18-049 DEIR can be found at Tulare County Web Site: https://tularecounty.ca.gov/rma/index.cfm/projects/planning-projects/applicant-projects/dunn-asphalt-and-concrete-batch-plant/

Contact for More Information: Hector Guerra, Chief Environmental Planner (559) 624-7121 (para Español llame Jose Saenz (559) 624-7102).

The DEIR has a review period of 45 days, starting on **December 13, 2019** and ending **January 27, 2020**, which has been approved by the State of California, Office of Planning and Research. Any written comments on the DEIR should be sent to the Tulare County Resource Management Agency at the address noted above, to the attention of: Hector Guerra, Chief Environmental Planner.

After the close of the public comment review period on the DEIR established by this notice, this matter will be set for public hearing before the Tulare County Planning Commission at a date to be determined later. Notice of the date, time and place for such public hearing will be published and/or mailed as provided by law.

Please take notice that - pursuant to Public Resource Code Section 21177, Government Code Section 65009, and other applicable law - if you challenge the proposed action described above in court, then you may be limited to raising only those issues or objections you or someone else raised during the public comment period or the public hearing, or in written correspondence delivered to the Tulare County Resource Management Agency within the review period, or to the Planning Commission during the public hearing.

Reed Schenke,
Director, Resource Management Agency