



APPENDIX A

Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program



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Impact	Significance Prior to Mitigation	Mitigation Measure	Significance After Mitigation	Enforcement Agency
Impacts on air quality	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigated	<ul style="list-style-type: none">AIR-1 – Aera will surrender ERCs sufficient to fully offset operational emissions as required by District NSR requirements.	Less than Significant	District
Impacts on candidate, sensitive, or special status species.	Potentially Significant	<ul style="list-style-type: none">BIO-1 - A qualified biologist will conduct a pre-construction survey for sensitive species within 30 days of the onset of ground disturbance. If sensitive species or their nests/dens are detected, the appropriate standardized avoidance measures will be implemented to preclude take of the species. If standardized avoidance measures cannot be achieved, Aera will consult with the CDFG and USFWS to develop alternative compliance measures.BIO-2 - Impacts to endangered species habitat as identified in pre-construction surveys will be mitigated at the Coles Levee Ecological	Less than Significant	Aera / USFWS / CDFG Aera / USFWS



		<p>Preserve at a ratio of 1.1:1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• BIO-3 - Aera will conduct a sensitive species education program (tailgate briefing) for all Project personnel. Topics to be discussed during the briefing shall include: occurrence and distribution of sensitive species in the project area, take avoidance measures being implemented during the Project, reporting requirements if incidental take occurs, and applicable definitions and prohibitions under the Endangered Species Act.• BIO-4 - A biological monitor will be present while ground-disturbing activities are occurring based on the sensitivity of the habitat in which a project occurs.• BIO-5 - Pets are prohibited on the construction site.• BIO-6 - Firearms are prohibited on the construction site.• BIO-7 - All food-related trash, such as wrappers, cans, bottles, bags, and food scraps will be disposed of daily in containers with secure covers and regularly removed from project sites.• BIO-8 - USFWS and CDFG will be notified immediately in the event that the Project avoidance measures fail and there is a take of a threatened or endangered species.		<p>Aera</p> <p>Aera</p> <p>Aera</p> <p>Aera</p> <p>Aera</p> <p>Aera / USFWS / CDFG</p>
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<p>Impacts on archaeological/paleontological resources and human remains.</p>	<p>Potentially Significant</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CUL-1 - In the event that archaeological resources are discovered during ground-disturbing activities associated with construction of the proposed Project, all work within 100 feet of the find shall cease. Aera will notify and retain a qualified archaeologist to assess and provide an evaluation of the significance of the find. Aera shall determine whether avoidance is necessary and feasible in light of the factors such as the nature of the find, project design, costs, and other considerations, and, if necessary, develop appropriate mitigation measures in consultation with Kern County and other appropriate agencies and individuals. Work may resume on the Project site once the evaluation of the find is complete by the qualified archaeologist.• CUL-2 - In the event that paleontological resources are discovered during ground-disturbing activities associated with construction of the proposed Project, all work within 100 feet of the find shall cease. Aera will notify and retain a qualified paleontologist to assess and provide an evaluation of the significance of the find. Aera shall determine whether avoidance is necessary and feasible in light of the factors such as the nature of the find, project design, costs, and other considerations, and, if necessary, develop appropriate mitigation measures in	<p>Less than Significant</p>	<p>Aera / Kern County</p> <p>Aera / Kern County</p>
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		<p>consultation with Kern County and other appropriate agencies and individuals. Work may resume on the Project site once the evaluation of the find is complete by the qualified paleontologist.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CUL-3 - In the event that human remains are discovered during construction of the Project, all work within 100 feet shall be ceased and the discovery will immediately be reported to the County Coroner. If the remains are determined to be Native American in origin, the County Coroner shall notify the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) within 24 hours of the determination. The NAHC will solicit those persons it believe to be the nearest descendants of the remains for recommendations. Aera shall, in consultation with the identified descendants of the remains and/or NAHC, will identify the appropriate measures for the treatment or disposition of the remains.		Aera / Kern County / NAHC
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