

5.0 CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

A revised Notice of Preparation (NOP) was prepared for the proposed project on August 29, 2011, and is incorporated by reference as part of this environmental impact report (EIR). The NOP is attached as **Appendix 1.0**. Based on the findings of the NOP, the City of Santa Paula determined that an EIR is required for the project. Agency and public input received during the NOP comment period and the public scoping meeting were used to determine the scope of the evaluation for the EIR.

The environmental issues considered in this EIR and their corresponding section numbers are as follows:

5.1	Aesthetics	5.9	Hydrology/Water Quality
5.2	Agricultural Resources	5.10	Land Use/Planning
5.3	Air Quality	5.11	Noise
5.4	Biological Resources	5.12	Public Services
5.5	Cultural Resources	5.13	Transportation/Traffic
5.6	Geology/Soils	5.14	Utilities/Service Systems
5.7	Greenhouse Gas	5.15	Effects Found Not to be Significant
5.8	Hazards & Hazardous Materials		

To assist the reader in comparing information about the various environmental issues, each section is organized as follows:

- Introduction
- Existing Conditions
- Regulatory Setting
- Thresholds of Significance
- Project Impacts
 - Impacts
 - Mitigation Measures
 - Residual Impacts
- Cumulative Analysis
 - Cumulative Impacts
 - Cumulative Mitigation Measures
 - Residual Impacts
- References
- Methodology (if necessary)

For each impact identified in the EIR, a statement of the level of significance of the impact is provided.

Impacts are categorized as follows:

- A designation of “no impact” is given when no adverse changes in the environment are expected.
- A “less than significant impact” would cause no substantial adverse change in the environment.
- A “significant impact” would have a substantial adverse impact on the environment but could be reduced to less than significant with incorporation of mitigation measures.
- A “significant unavoidable impact” would cause a substantial adverse effect on the environment and no feasible mitigation measures would be available to reduce the impact to a less than significant impact.