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**Draft Environmental Impact Report for the 2030 Galt General Plan,
Final Environmental Impact Report for the 2030 Galt General Plan,
and the
Environmental Checklist
Evaluating the Suitability of the Galt General Plan Update:
2030 Environmental Impact Report to Assess the City of Galt SOI Amendment Project**

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INTRODUCTION

In efforts to streamline the environmental review of the proposed Sphere of Influence (SOI) Amendment, the lead agency for the SOI Amendment, the Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo), will reuse the City's recently adopted General Plan Environmental Impact Report (EIR) to evaluate the SOI Amendment. Section 15153 of the State CEQA Guidelines¹ regulates the later use of an EIR from an earlier project on a new project. Summarily, this Guideline requires that prior to using the previous EIR, a lead agency such as LAFCo must determine that the EIR adequately establishes the environmental setting of the new project, that it identifies the significant effects of the new project, and that it identifies mitigation measures or alternatives related to each significant effect (CEQA Guidelines §15153(b)(1)). To determine if the EIR adequately accomplishes this, LAFCo is required to prepare an Initial Study (CEQA Guidelines §15153(b)(1)). If LAFCo is able to answer these questions in the affirmative, the agency would be permitted to reuse the City's EIR for its review of the SOI Amendment project.

As shown in the attached Initial Study/Environmental Checklist, LAFCo has determined that reuse of the EIR is appropriate, and the City's certified DEIR/FEIR will be circulated to the public and agencies for 45 days for review and comment, together with the Initial Study. In essence, the City's certified EIR will be LAFCo's Draft EIR evaluating the SOI Amendment project. After completion of the 45-day review period, LAFCo's responsibilities are similar to those required for a typical EIR process, including preparation of a Final EIR, responding to any comments received on the Draft EIR, preparation of a Mitigation Monitoring Plan, and adoption of Findings (CEQA Guidelines §15153(b)(3) and (4)).

The only significant limitation on the reuse of a previous EIR is that such reuse is not permitted if any of the factors regarding changed conditions set forth in CEQA Guidelines §15162 apply. Once an environmental analysis has been performed for a project such as the City of Galt General Plan Update: 2030, no subsequent EIR is required under CEQA unless LAFCo determines, on the basis of substantial evidence and in light of the whole record, one or more of the following:

- (1) Substantial changes are proposed in the project which will require major revisions of the previous EIR ... due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects;
- (2) Substantial changes occur with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken which will require major revisions of the previous EIR ... due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects; or
- (3) New information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the previous EIR ... was adopted, shows any of the following:

¹ Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Chapter 3, Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act.

- (A) The project will have one or more significant effects not discussed in the previous EIR...;
- (B) Significant effects previously examined will be substantially more severe than shown in the previous EIR;
- (C) Mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible, and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative; or
- (D) Mitigation measures or alternatives which are considerably different from those analyzed in the previous EIR would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative. (CEQA Guidelines §15162(a))

Thus, §§15162 and 15153(b)(1) of the CEQA Guidelines establish that an Initial Study is the appropriate documentation when the lead agency has determined that none of the conditions described in §15162 (PRC §21166) calling for the preparation of a subsequent EIR exist.

The attached Initial Study demonstrates that the EIR certified for the City of Galt General Plan: 2030 adequately establishes the environmental setting of the SOI Amendment project, that it identifies the significant effects of the SOI Amendment project, and that it identifies mitigation measures or alternatives related to each significant effect identified in the City of Galt General Plan: 2030 EIR. Further, the Initial Study demonstrates that none of the conditions described in State CEQA Guidelines §15162 exist. Thus, LAFCo is distributing the attached Initial Study, together with the Draft and Final EIRs for the City of Galt General Plan: 2030 for public and agency review and comment for a period of 45 days, ending on August 28, 2010. To be considered by LAFCo, comments should be submitted on or prior to this date.

Comments on this EIR for the City of Galt Sphere of Influence Amendment should be submitted to:

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Alternatively, comments may be submitted via email or verbally at a public hearing to receive comments on the EIR for the City of Galt Sphere of Influence Amendment. Comments via email should be sent to: brundagep@saccounty.net. Please include the phrase, "Galt SOIA" in the subject line.

The public hearing to receive comments on the EIR has been set for August 4, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. at the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors Chambers, County Administration Center, 700 H Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

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CITY OF GALT
SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AMENDMENT
LAFCo PROJECT NUMBER LAFC 06-09

Project Title: City of Galt Sphere of Influence Amendment

Entitlements Requested: Amendment of the City of Galt Sphere of Influence (SOI) to add approximately 1,053 acres, and to delete approximately 1,613 acres from the approved SOI, consistent with the 2009 City of Galt General Plan

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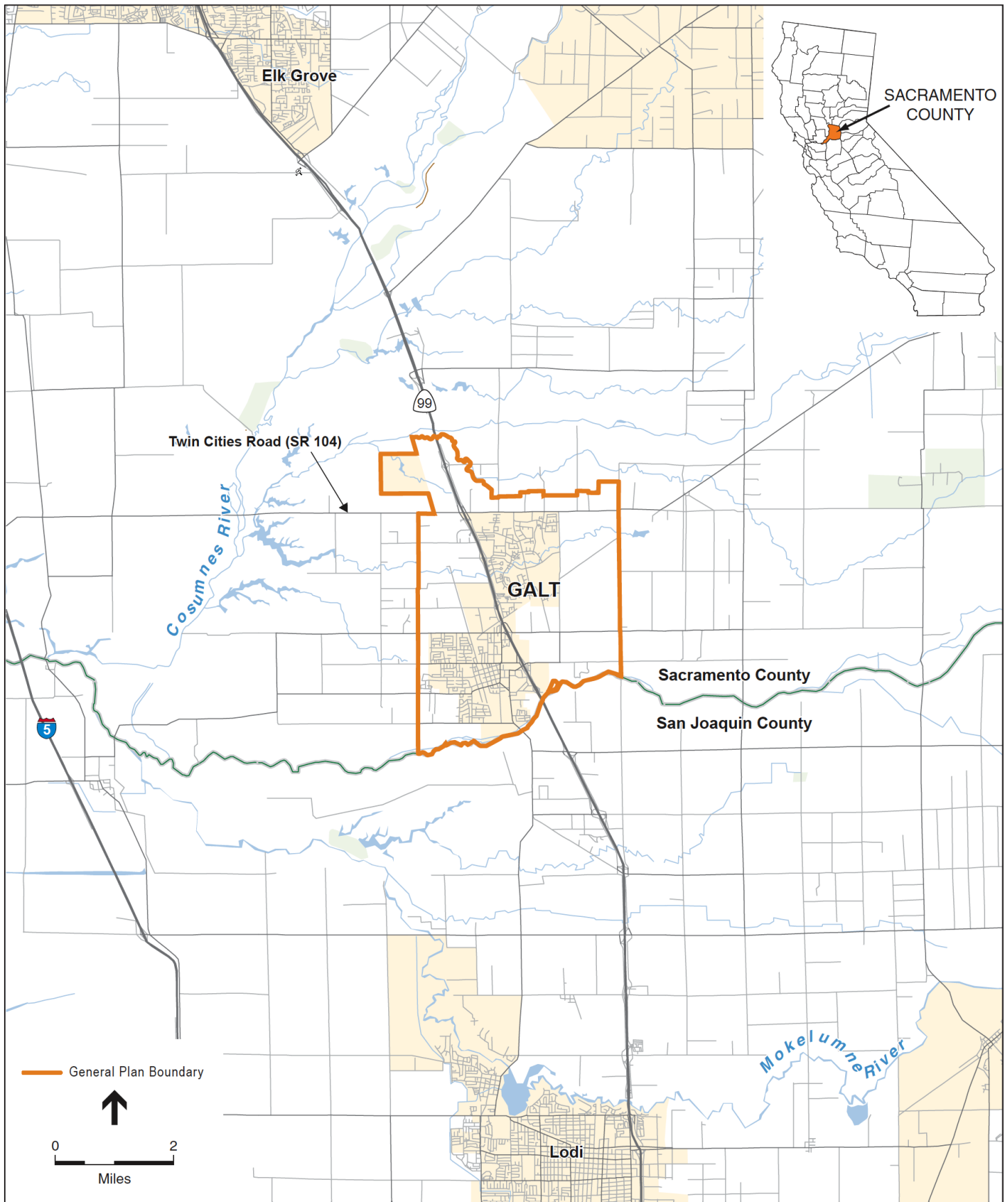
Proponent: City of Galt
Community Development Department
Curt Campion, Director
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Galt, CA 95632

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

The Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) is considering an application by the City of Galt for a Sphere of Influence (SOI) Amendment that includes both a detachment of lands on the western boundary of the existing SOI, and the addition of lands north of Twin Cities Road between the Union Pacific Railroad Mainline and Cherokee Lane to the east. As described below, the proposed SOI Amendment would result in a net decrease of approximately 560 acres to the existing Galt SOI. The entirety of the proposed area to be included in the SOI Amendment currently is within the unincorporated area of Sacramento County.

Project Location

The City of Galt is located on State Route 99 in southern Sacramento County between the cities of Elk Grove and Lodi. The City is located 26 miles south of the Sacramento metropolitan area and 24 miles north of the Stockton metropolitan area. Twin Cities Road connects Galt west to I-5, and State Route 104 provides access to the Sierra Nevada and various foothill communities to the east of the City. Low density Agricultural/Residential development, agricultural lands, and the Cosumnes River Preserve surround the City. See Figure 1 for the project area map.



SOURCE: City of Galt General Plan Update: 2030, July 2008. ESA 2007

City of Galt Sphere of Influence Amendment
Figure 1
 City of Galt Regional Location

Proposed Project Area

The proposed Galt SOI Amendment consists of both an added area (Area A) of approximately 1,053 acres and the detachment of territory (Area B) of approximately 1,613 acres from the current SOI. The amended SOI would result in a net decrease of approximately 560 acres from the existing SOI. The areas to be detached are those lands east of Christensen Road to Sargent Avenue and from Twin Cities Road south to the Sacramento County boundary. The proposed project area, or Area A, consists of approximately 1,053 acres of land north of Twin Cities Road between Cherokee Lane on the east and the Union Pacific Railroad on the west, then generally following Skunk Creek east and southwest of Highway 99, south to a point approximately one-third of a mile north of Twin Cities Road easterly to Cherokee Lane (see Figure 2). The proposed added territory represents the planned physical boundary and service area for the City of Galt through the planning period of the 2009 General Plan, which is to the year 2030.

In accordance with the General Plan (Figure 3), significant commercial, industrial, and office professional development is anticipated in the project area. In addition, lands have been designated to accommodate public and quasi-public land uses that are unspecified at this time. The SOI Amendment area also contemplates high-density residential development near the commercial land use designations. In the eastern portion of the project area, rural residential land uses are identified. This land use designation recognizes the existing land use and is intended to accommodate existing property owners. Lands within Area A would be considered for annexation to the City of Galt when determined appropriate for logical urban development of the City north of Twin Cities Road.

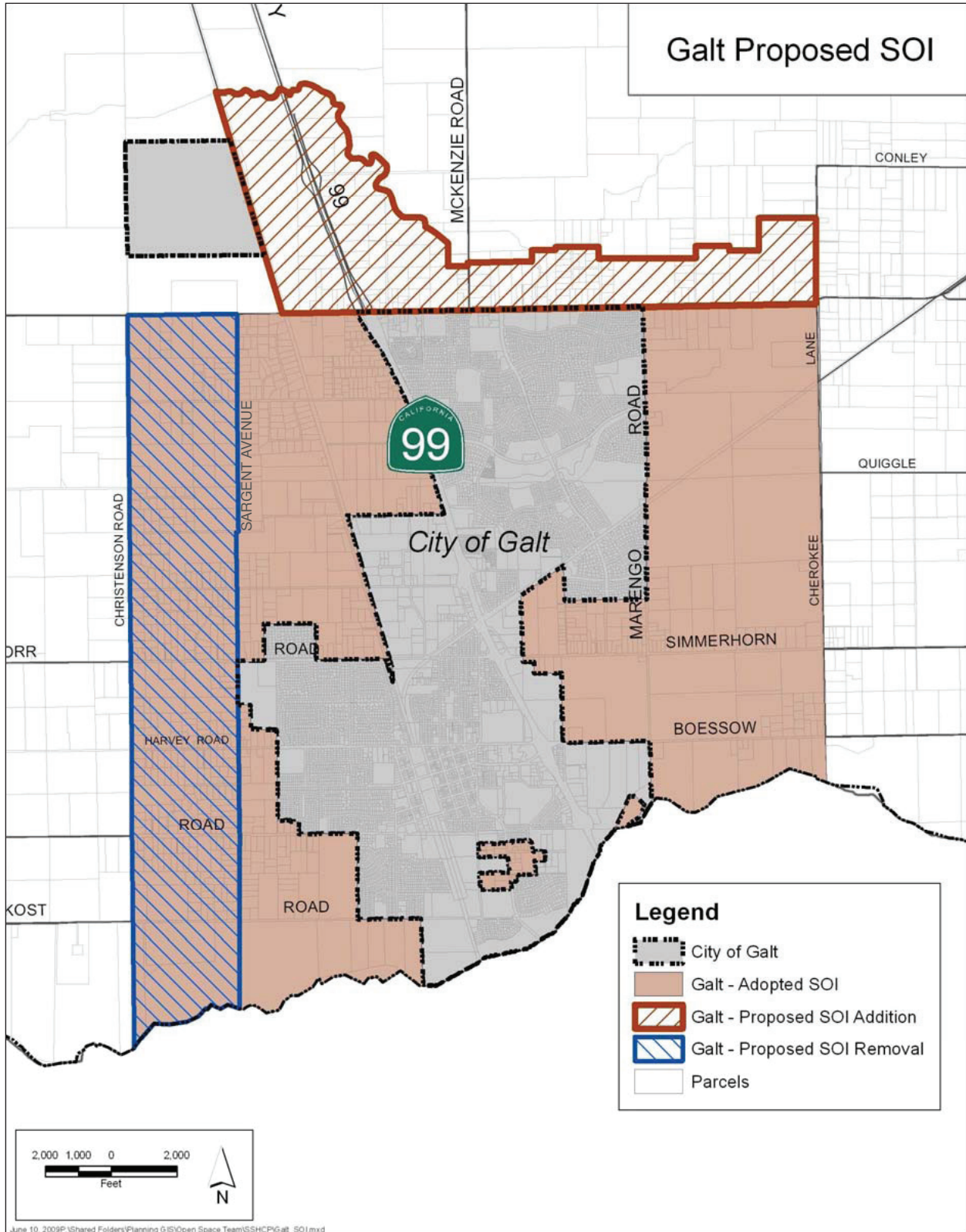
Project Objectives

As required by §15124(b) of the CEQA Guidelines, the following is a discussion of the objectives of the proposed City of Galt SOI Amendment project. The project applicant has identified the following objectives in proposing the project:

- To provide a logical and reasonable future physical boundary of the City of Galt; and,
- To aid in the comprehensive planning of future land uses in the project area.

Existing Land Use in the Project Area

Existing land uses in the project area include limited agricultural and residential uses, and limited commercial uses. Existing Sacramento County land use designations within the project area include Agricultural-Residential, Recreation, General Agriculture, and Intensive Industrial (see Figure 4).

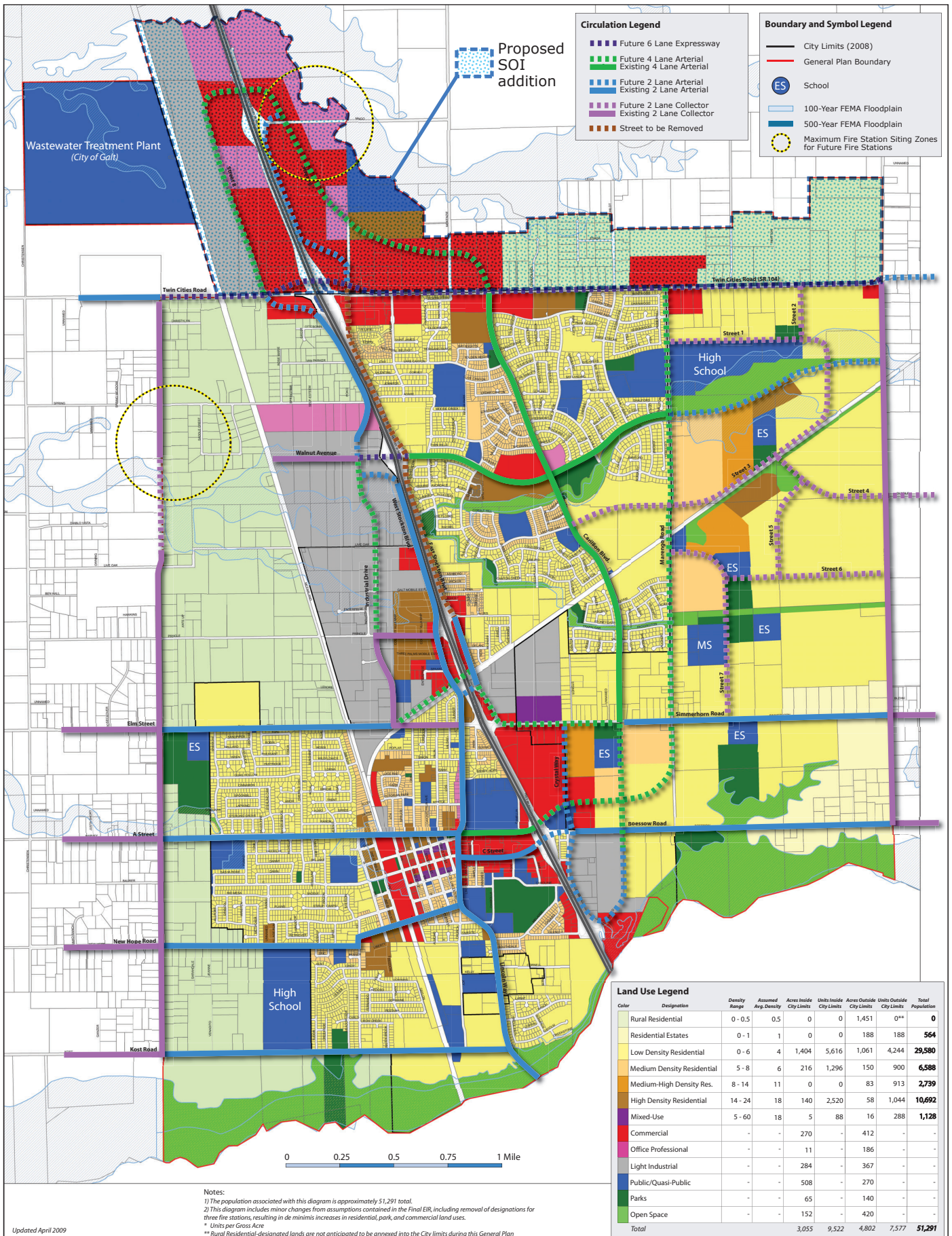


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SOURCE: City of Galt Municipal Service Review, June 2009

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Figure 2
City of Galt Proposed Sphere of Influence (SOI) Map

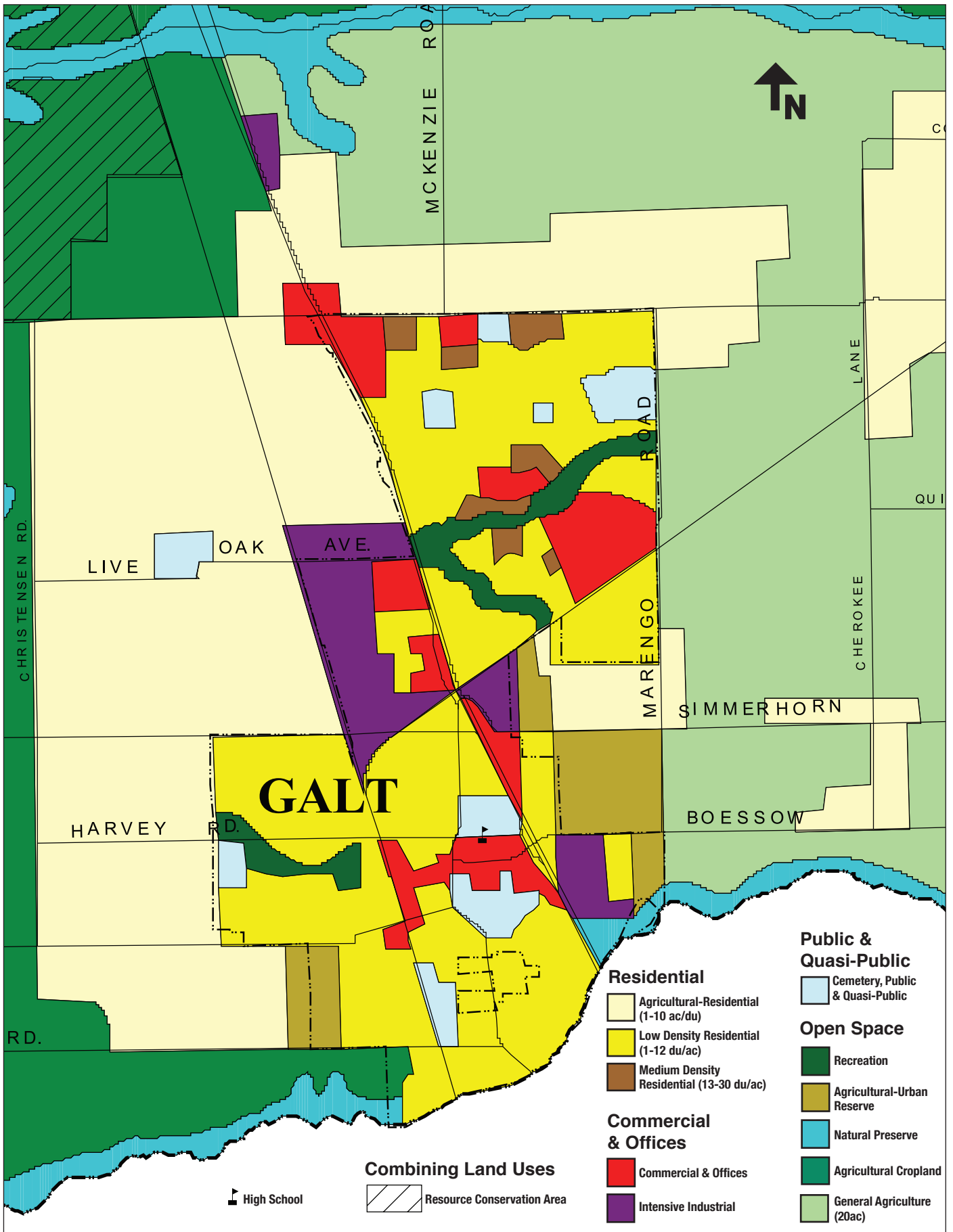


SOURCE: City of Galt 2009

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Figure 3

Land Use and Circulation Diagram



SOURCE: Sacramento County, General Plan Land Use Diagram, December 15, 1993. Revised April 9, 2003

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Figure 4

Existing Sacramento County Land Use Designations

Proposed Land Use Designations in the Project Area

Proposed land use designations for lands within the SOI Amendment area are set forth in the City's 2030 Galt General Plan Land Use Diagram (see Figure 3). The project area is planned by the City for future growth and urbanization. The existing Galt General Plan designations are Residential, Commercial, Office, and Industrial. Approximately 33 percent of Area A is designated Rural Residential. Approximately 34 percent is designated for commercial development, 14 percent for light industrial, 14 percent as office professional, and the balance (6 percent) is allocated for high density residential and public/quasi-public uses. No development is proposed with this SOI Amendment.

Surrounding Land Uses

Land uses surrounding the project area include agriculture to the north, east, and west, and urban, commercial, and residential uses to the south.

City of Galt land use designations south of the project site include Commercial, High Density Residential, Rural Residential, Low Density Residential, Medium Density Residential, and Parks (see Figure 3). Sacramento County land use designations north, east, and west of the project area include Recreation and General Agriculture (see Figure 4).

At the time of adoption of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Environmental Impact Report (EIR), and currently, the vicinity of the project is characterized by rural agriculture and rural residential land uses. While additional residential development may have occurred in the project area since certification of the Final EIR, all development activity within the SOI Amendment project area would be consistent with existing Sacramento County land use designations. Further, additional commercial development may have been completed along Twin Cities Road between State Highway 99 and McKenzie Road since certification of the Final EIR; however, such development is currently within the City of Galt jurisdictional boundary consistent with existing City land use designations and is not part of the proposed SOI Amendment project area.

Project Characteristics

As proposed, the City of Galt SOI Amendment consists of both an added area (Area A) of approximately 1,053 acres and the detachment of territory (Area B) of approximately 1,613 acres from the current SOI. The amended SOI would result in a net decrease of approximately 560 acres from the existing SOI. The City of Galt municipal boundaries and Sphere of Influence are shown on Figure 2. Project Area A is not located within the existing Sphere of Influence, but is adjacent to the northern boundary of the City. Placement of Area A within the City's SOI boundary would indicate that LAFCo acknowledges that Area A is a location appropriate for future urbanization and annexation to the City of Galt.

The area to be detached from the current SOI (Area B) is located within the jurisdiction of Sacramento County; the detachment area has not been annexed by the City nor are any municipal utility services provided by the City.

The California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code §21000, et seq., generally requires that a lead agency must take reasonable efforts to mitigate or avoid significant environmental

impacts when approving a project. Because the proposed project includes a modification of the City of Galt Sphere of Influence, the lead agency is Sacramento LAFCo. Under the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, LAFCo has the power to approve or disapprove applications for boundary changes for cities and special districts, modify boundaries of a proposal, and impose reasonable terms and conditions of approval (Government Code §56000, et. seq.). One of LAFCo’s major planning functions is the establishment and revision of SOIs for cities within its jurisdiction. A SOI is described as “a plan for the probable physical boundaries and service area of a local agency”(Government Code §56076). Further, any proposed changes in organization (i.e., annexations) must be approved by LAFCo and be consistent with the SOI.

The City currently proposes no rezoning of the project area or development project review. Based on City land use designations set forth in the General Plan, urbanized uses would be a probable future use and are assumed for the basis of this analysis. Should the City seek to annex the area in the future, the City would be required to prezone the area prior to LAFCo consideration of the annexation request. The City’s annexation request and prezone would be subject to environmental review pursuant to CEQA, and the City would be required to prepare and certify an appropriate CEQA document prior to LAFCo consideration.

Comparison of Agricultural Resources in Area A and Area B

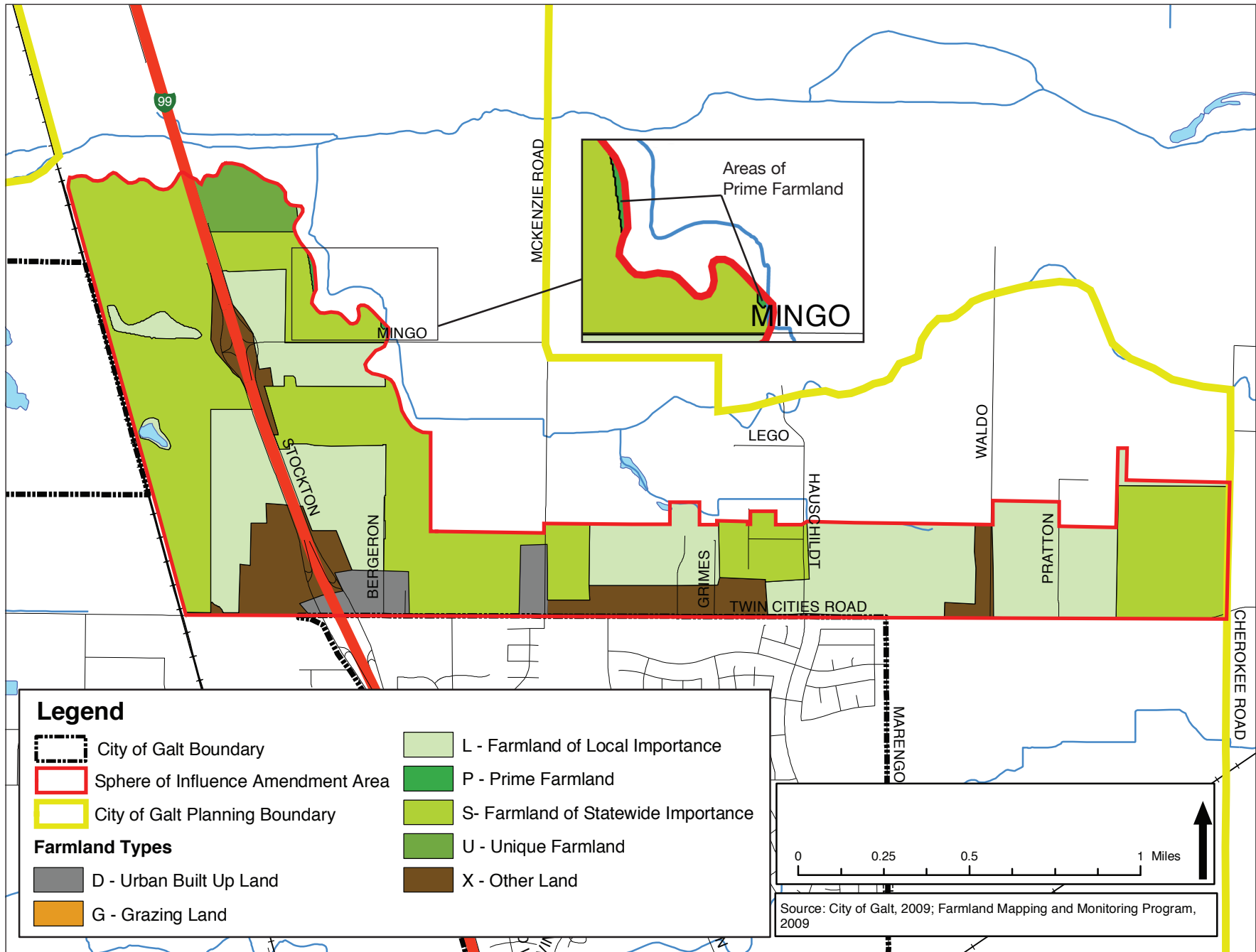
The following discussion compares the agricultural resources in Area A and Area B in order to evaluate if there would be any change in potential land use and farmland impacts with the “swapping” of Area B for Area A as the location of future urban development.

According to the California Department of Conservation’s Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Project (FMMP), the project Area A consists of primarily “Farmland of Statewide Importance” and “Farmland of Local Importance,” while Area B, the area to be detached, consists of primarily “Other Land” and “Farmland of Statewide Importance” (see table below).

Figure 5, Figure 6, and Table 1 below shows farmland mapping categories located in the SOI Amendment project for Areas A and B. Approximately 1 acre of Prime Farmland as classified by FMMP within Area A eventually would be converted to urban uses with implementation of the SOI Amendment project, compared to 38.9 acres of Prime Farmland in Area B.

| Table 1 Comparison of Farmland Mapping Categories Affected by the Proposed SOI Amendment Project – Area A and Area B | | |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Farmland Types | Attachment Area - Area A | Detachment Area - Area B |
| Urban Built-Up Land | 34.6 acres | 47.7 acres |
| Grazing Land | 0 acres | 79.3 acres |
| Farmland of Local Importance | 379.4 acres | 168.4 acres |
| Prime Farmland | 1.1 acres | 38.9 acres |
| Farmland of Statewide Importance | 491.8 acres | 495.3 acres |
| Unique Farmland | 28.3 acres | 38.9 acres |
| Other Land | 117.8 acres | 744.8 acres |
| Total | 1,053 acres | 1,613 acres |

Source: FMMP 1993; City of Galt GIS data 2009

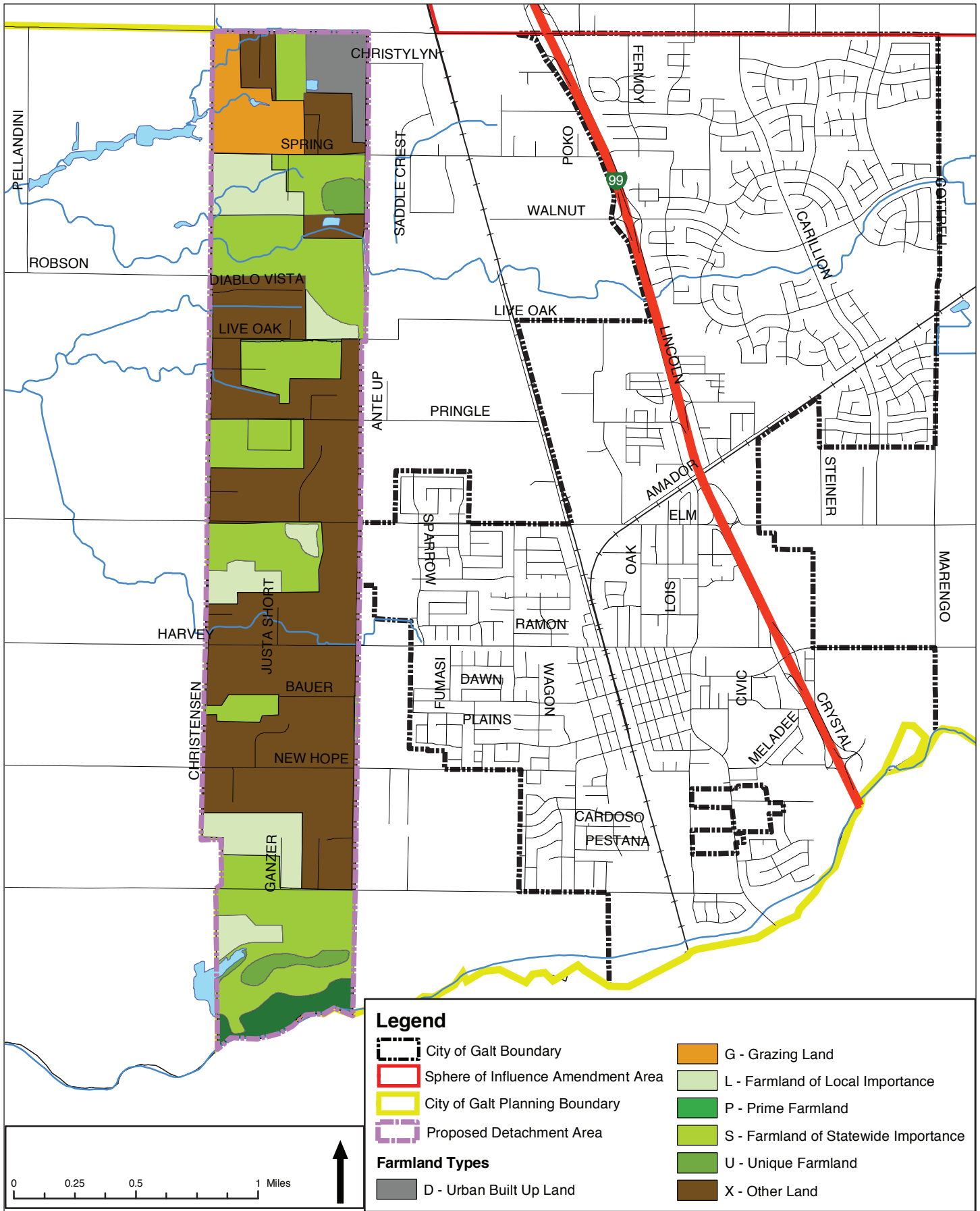


SOURCE: City of Galt, 2009; Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program (FMMP), 2009

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Figure 5

Farmland Types within City of Galt SOI Amendment Project - Attachment Area



SOURCE: City of Galt, 2009; Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program, 2009.

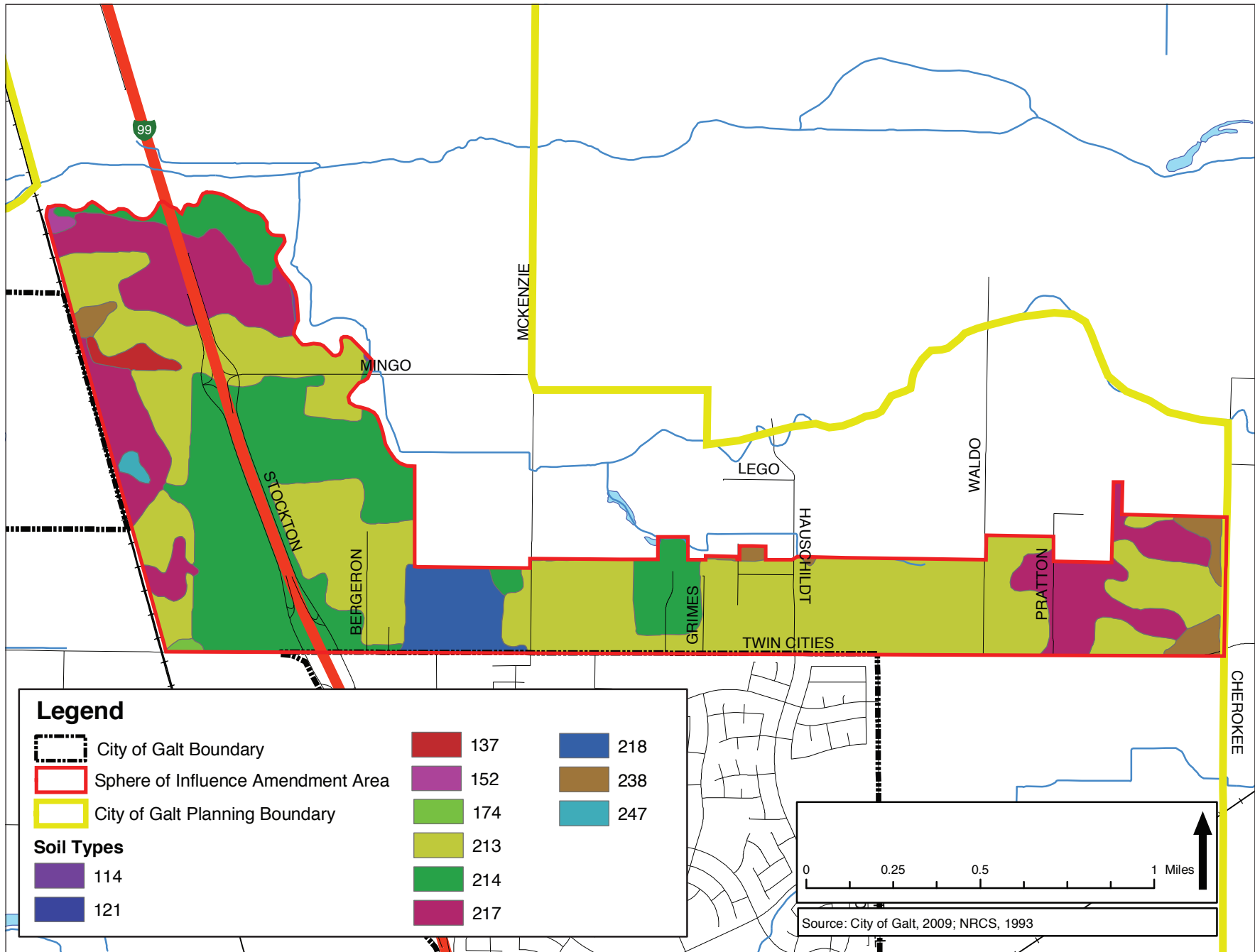
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Figure 6
 Farmland Types within City of Galt SOI
 Amendment Project - Detachment Area

While the proportion of exact types of farmland, as shown in Table 1, differ between Area A and Area B, there is similar if not less acreage of Prime Farmland and Farmland of Statewide Importance as designated by the FMMP in Area A compared to Area B.

LAFCoS are required to consider additional criteria for prime agricultural lands beyond those used by the FMMP. Government Code Section 56064 defines “Prime agricultural land” as agricultural land that meets any of the following qualifications:

- (a) Land that qualifies, if irrigated, for rating as class I or class II in the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service land use capability classification, whether or not land is actually irrigated, provided that irrigation is feasible.
- (b) Land that qualifies for rating 80 through 100 Storie Index Rating. [Soils that rate between 80 and 100 are assigned Grade 1 for simplification]
- (c) Land that supports livestock used for the production of food and fiber and that has an annual carrying capacity equivalent to at least one animal unit per acre as defined by the United States Department of Agriculture in the National Handbook on Range and Related Grazing Lands, July, 1967, developed pursuant to Public Law 46, December 1935.
- (d) Land planted with fruit or nut-bearing trees, vines, bushes, or crops that have a nonbearing period of less than five years and that will return during the commercial bearing period on an annual basis from the production of unprocessed agricultural plant production not less than four hundred dollars (\$400) per acre.
- (e) Land that has returned from the production of unprocessed agricultural plant products an annual gross value of not less than four hundred dollars (\$400) per acre for three of the previous five calendar years.

According to the NRCS Web Soil Survey and similar to FMMP classification, minimal lands within the SOI Amendment project Areas A or B meet the prime farmland criteria based on soil capability classification and/or Storie Index Rating (see Figures 7, 8, 9, and 10, and Table 2 below).

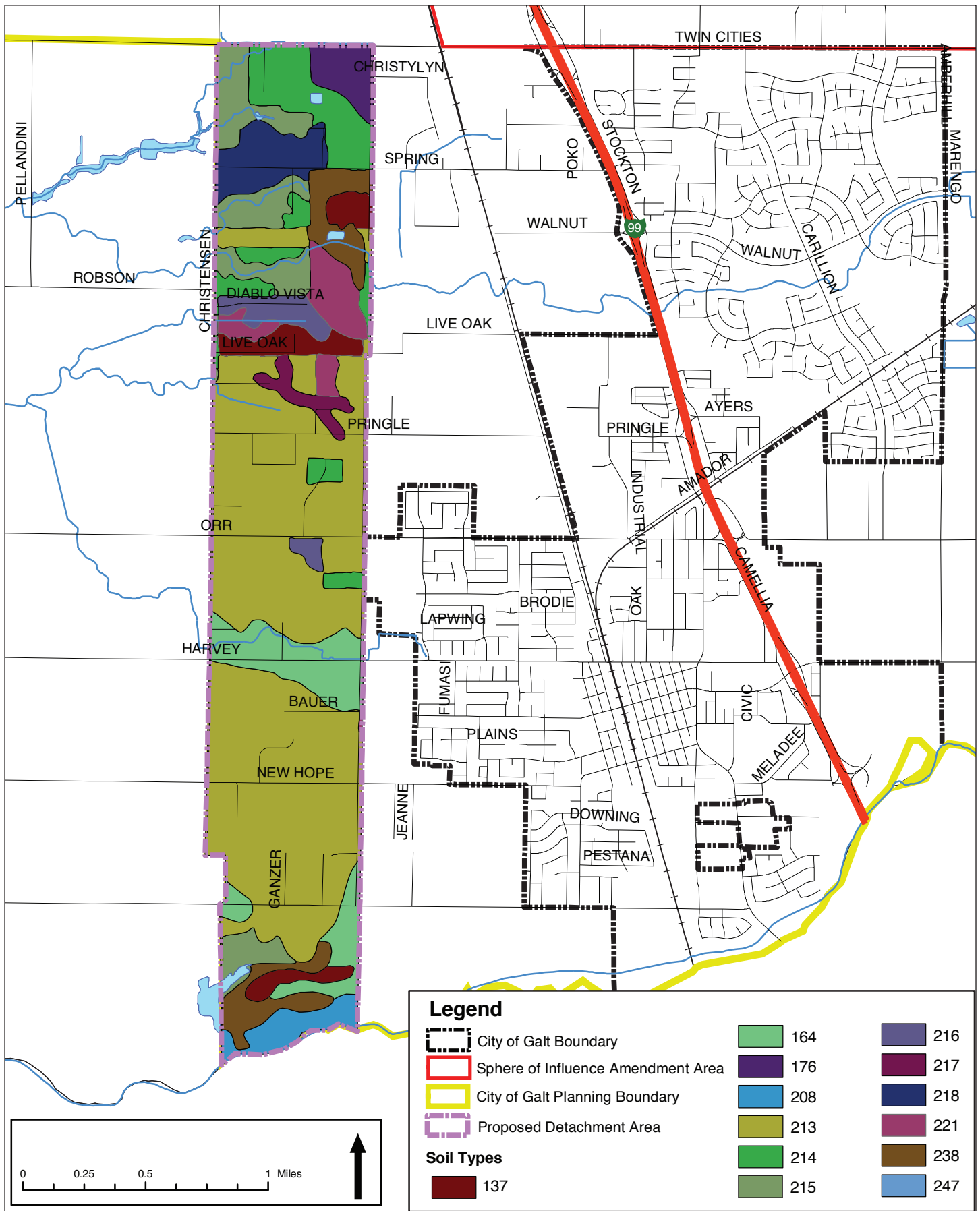


SOURCE: City of Galt, 2009; NRCS, 1993

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Figure 7

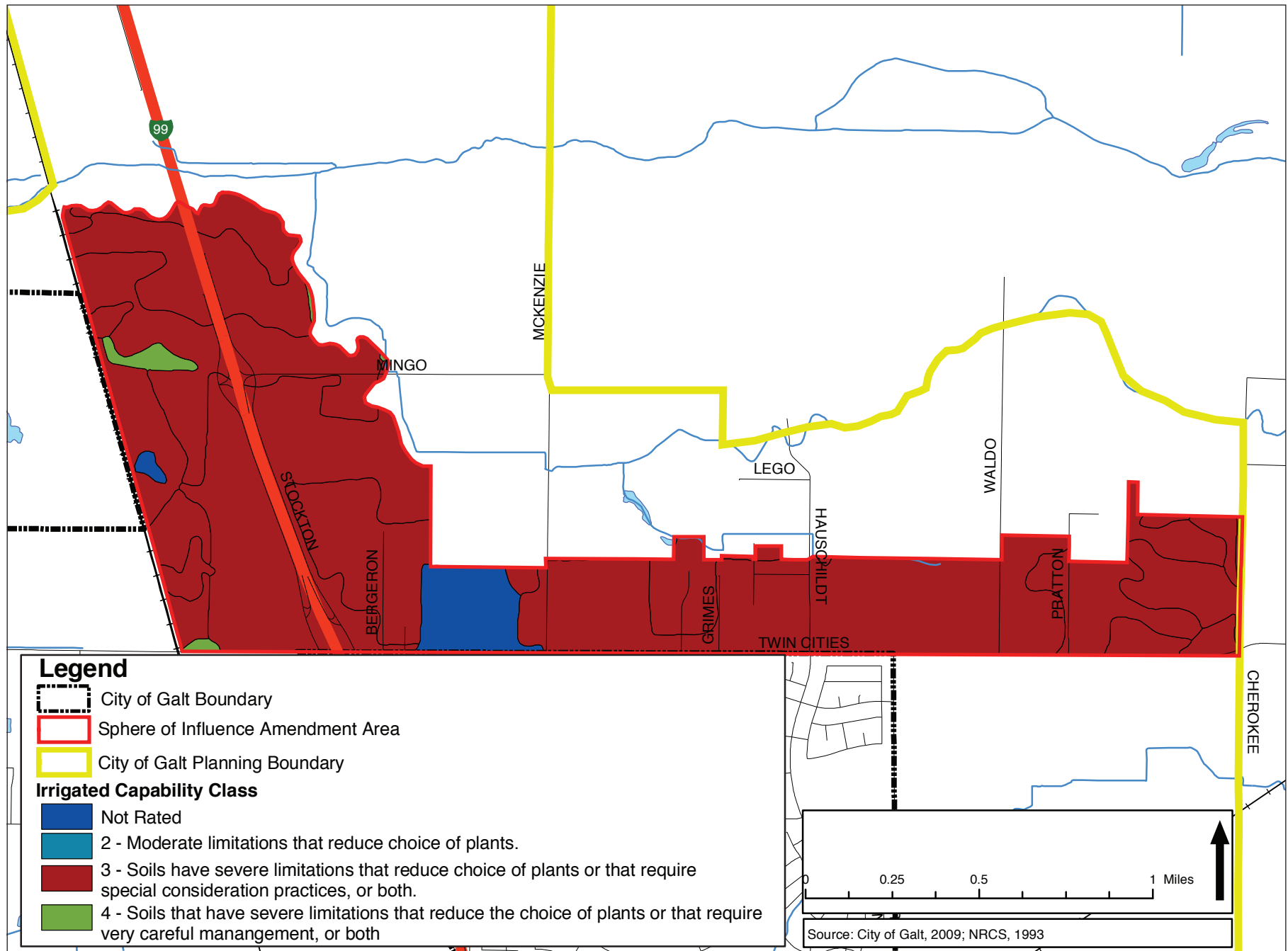
Soil Types within the City of Galt SOI Amendment Project - Attachment Area



SOURCE: City of Galt, 2009;
NRCS, 1993

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Figure 8
Soil Types within the City of Galt
SOI Amendment Project - Detachment Area

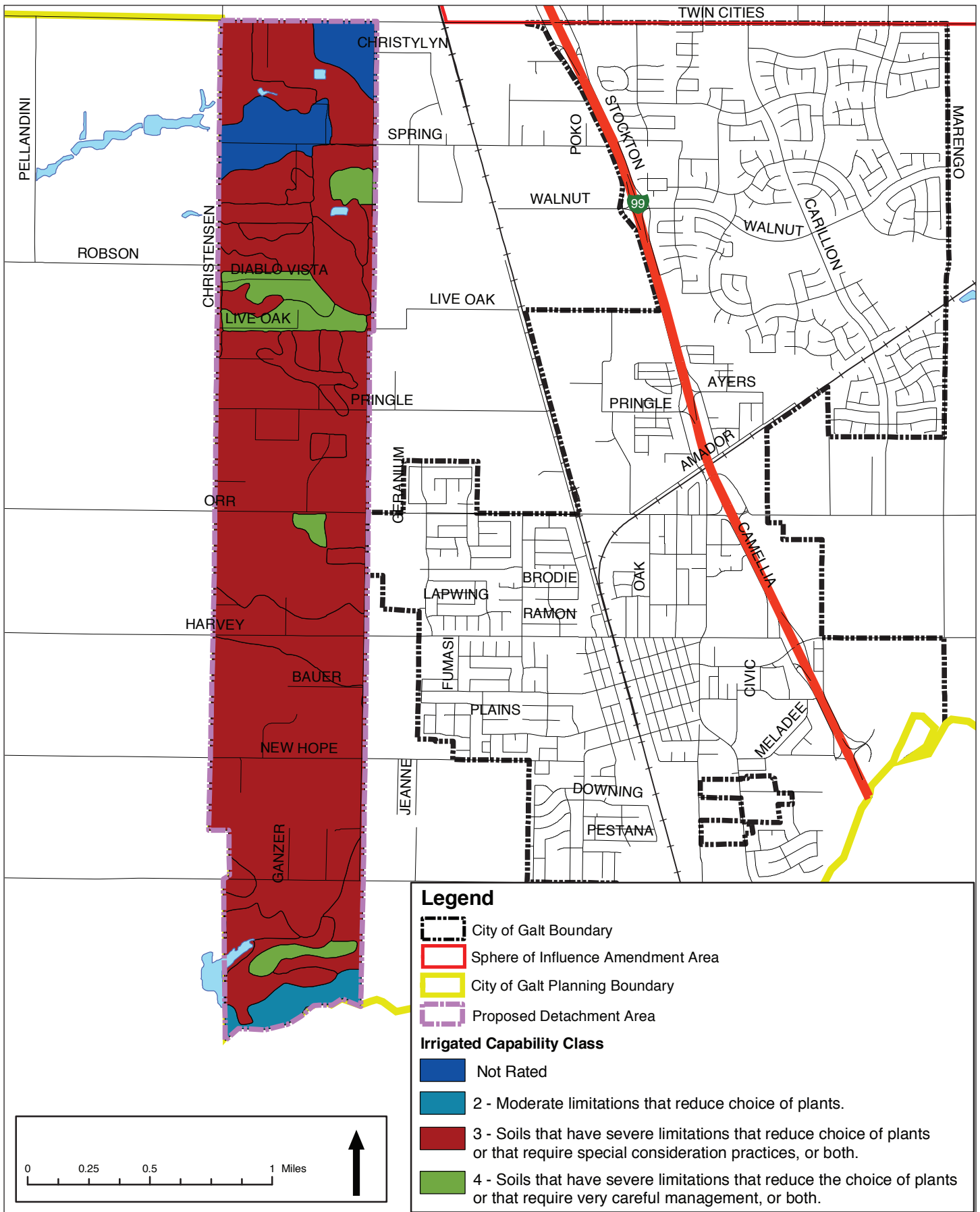


SOURCE: City of Galt, 2009; NRCS, 1993

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Figure 9

Soil Irrigated Capability Class within the City of Galt SOI Amendment Project - Attachment Area



SOURCE: City of Galt, 2009;
NRCS, 1993

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Figure 10
Soil Irrigated Capability Class within the City of Galt
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Table 2 Soil Characteristics within SOI Amendment Area A and Area B

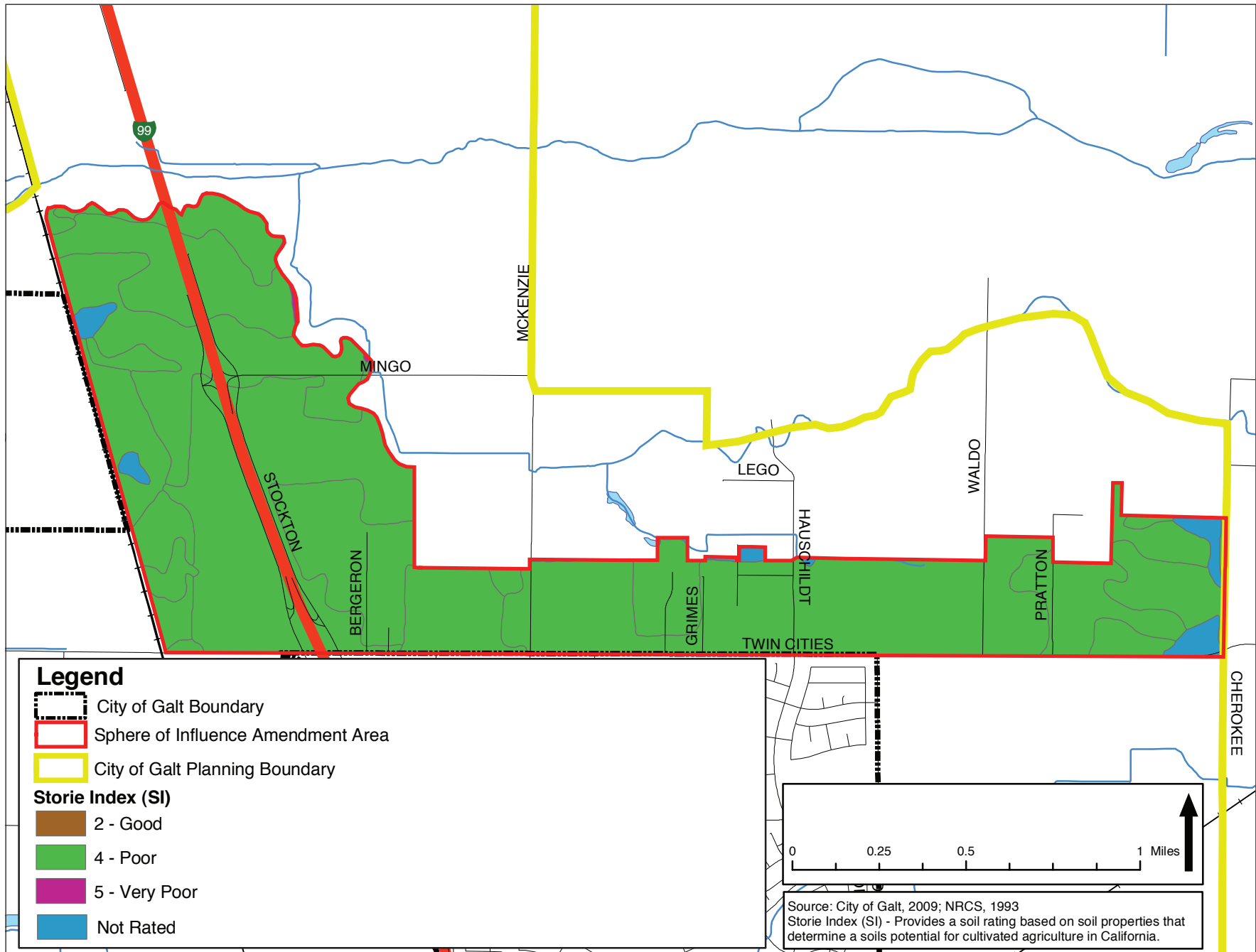
| Soil Map Unit | Name | Irrigated Capability Class | Storie Index (SI) |
|---------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| 114 | Clear Lake clay | IV | 4 |
| 121 | Columbia sandy loam | II | 2 |
| 137 | Durixeralfs | IV | 4 |
| 152 | Galt clay | III | 4 |
| 164 | Kimball silt loam | III | 3 |
| 174 | Madera loam | IV | 4 |
| 176 | Madera-Galt complex | IV | 5 |
| 208 | Sailboat silt loam | II | 3 |
| 213 | San Joaquin silt loam | III | 4 |
| 214 | San Joaquin silt loam | III | 4 |
| 215 | San Joaquin silt loam | III | 4 |
| 216 | San Joaquin-Durixeralfs complex | IV | 4 |
| 217 | San Joaquin-Galt complex | III | 4 |
| 218 | San Joaquin Galt complex | Not Rated ¹ | 4 |
| 221 | San Joaquin-Xerarents complex | III | 4 |
| 238 | Xerarents | III | Not Rated ² |
| 247 | Water | Not Rated ¹ | Not Rated ² |

¹ Not Rated – 218 is in capability class III to V, however, no designation was provided by the NRCS tabular data. Water does not have a capability class rating.

² Not Rated – Not enough information was available to determine SI for Map Unit 238. Water does not have a SI.

Source: NRCS 1993

Regarding the economic criteria for the classification of prime agricultural lands, based on information available from the Sacramento County Agricultural Commissioner's Office for 2008 Crop and Livestock Report, almost all crops grown within Sacramento County, including within the Galt SOI Amendment Areas A and B, were found to exceed the \$400 per acre valuation, except for a few hay crops, pasture, and range. Comparing this information with Figures 11 and 12, lands considered Prime Farmlands in the SOI Amendment project Areas A and B are potentially increased.

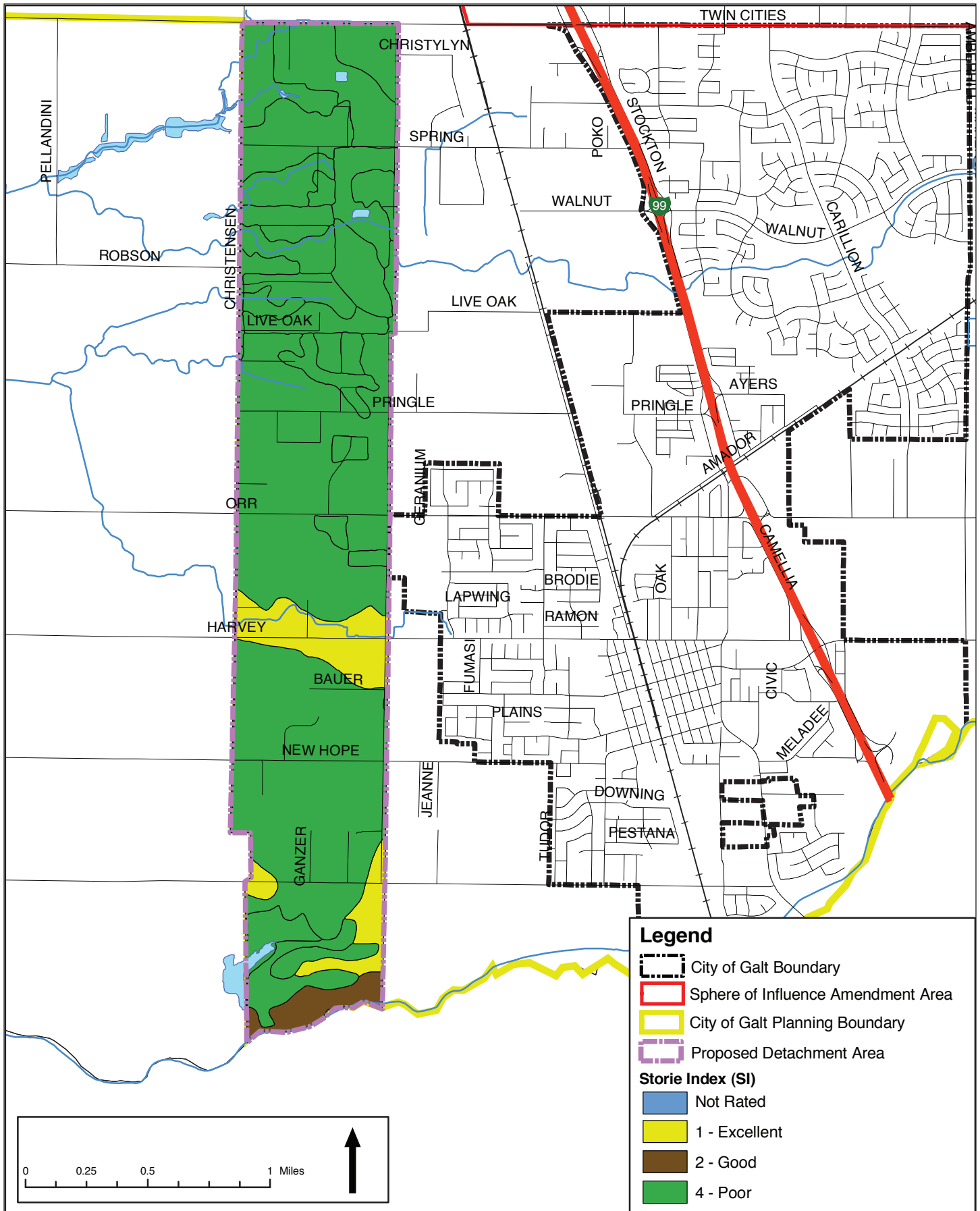


SOURCE: City of Galt, 2009; NRCS, 1993

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Figure 11

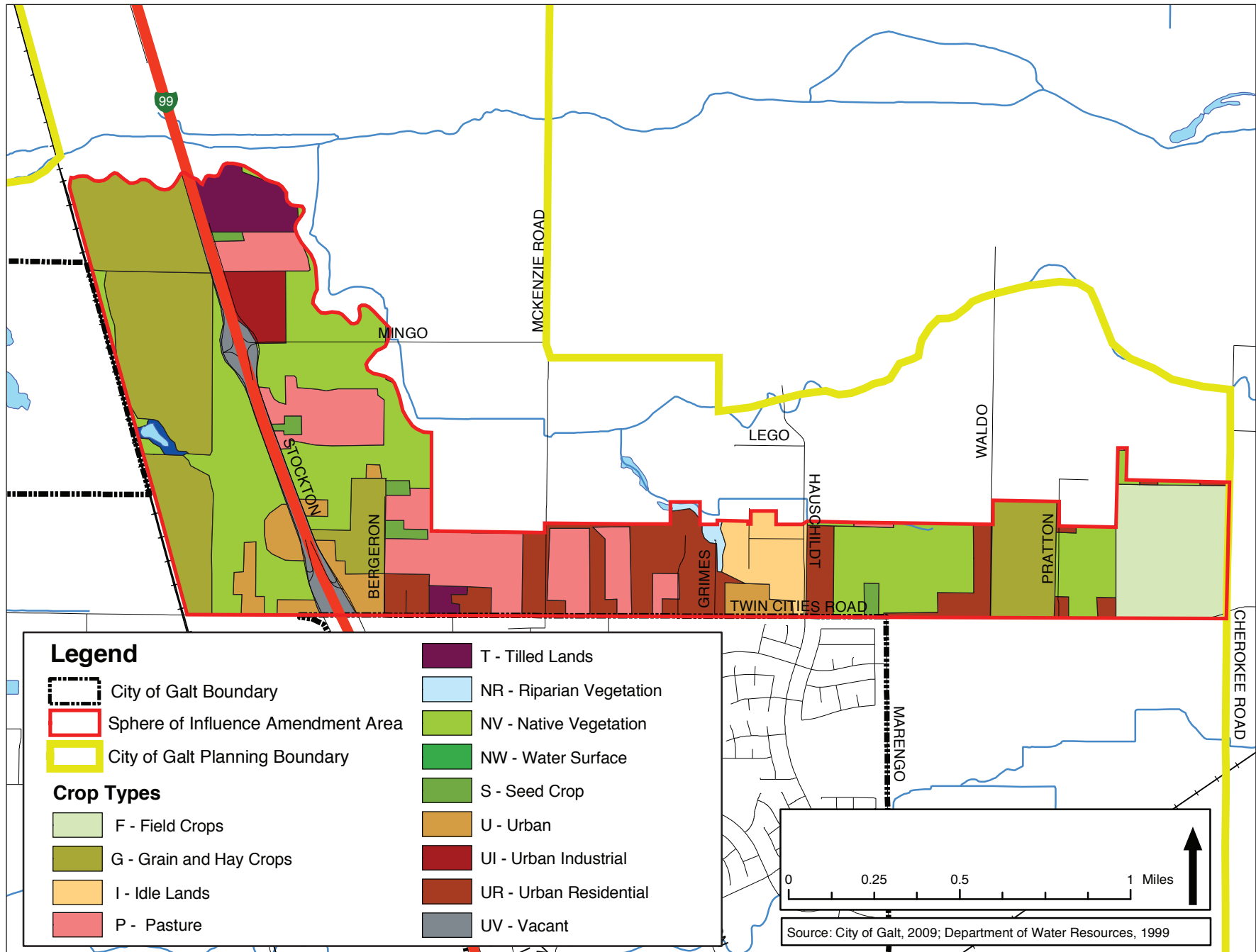
Storie Index Rating within the City of Galt SOI Amendment Project - Attachment Area



SOURCE: City of Galt, 2009;
NRCS, 1993

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Figure 12
Storie Index Rating within the City of Galt
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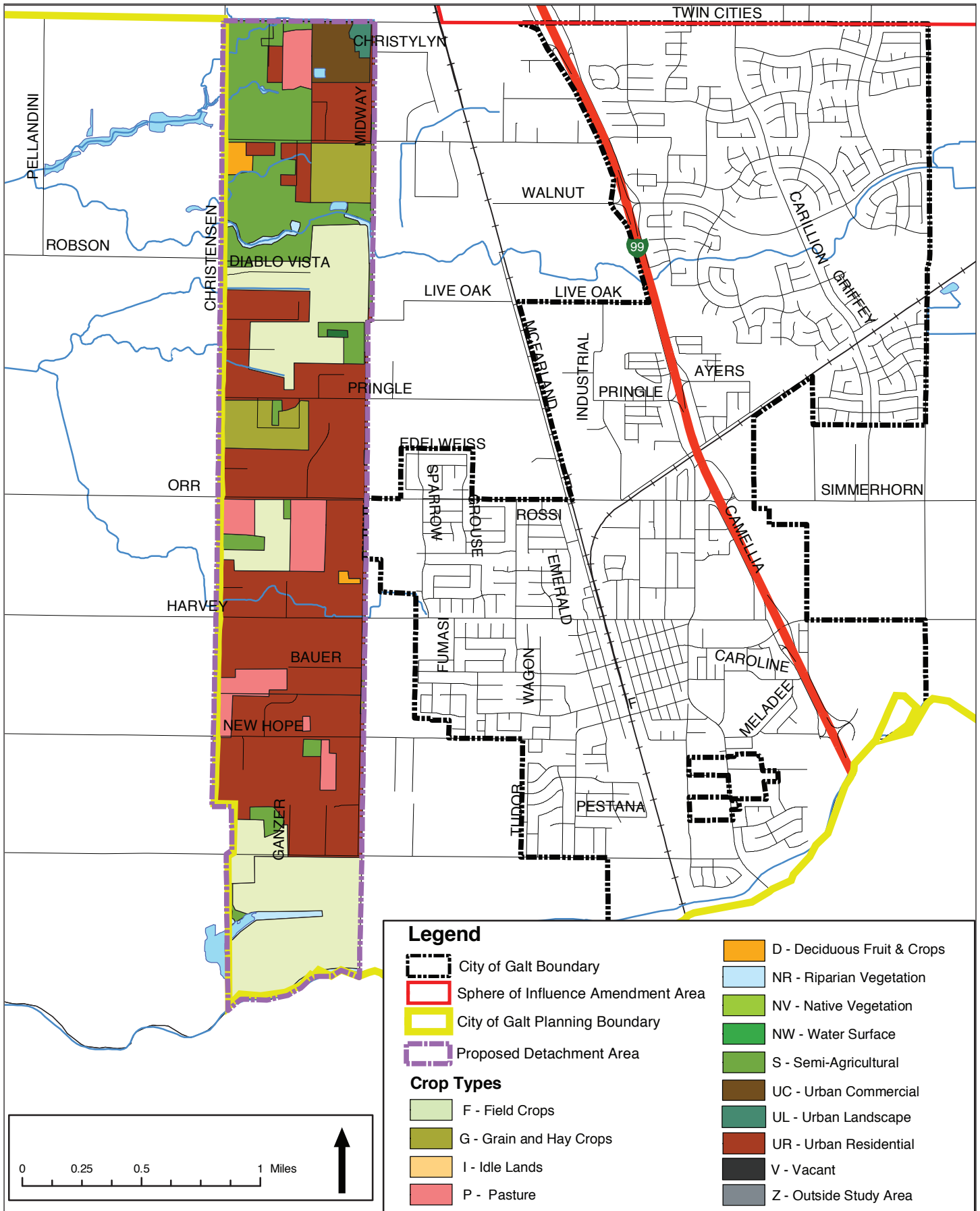


SOURCE: City of Galt, 2009; Department of Water Resources, 1999

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Figure 13

Crop Types within the City of Galt SOI Amendment Project - Attachment Area



SOURCE: City of Galt, 2009;
 Department of Water Resources, 1999

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Figure 14

Crop Types within the City of Galt
 SOI Amendment Project - Detachment Area

Table 3 Comparison of Crop Characteristics within SOI Amendment Area A and Area B

| Crop Types | Attachment Area (Area A) | | Detachment Area (Area B) | |
|---|--------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| | Acres | Percent (%) | Acres | Percent (%) |
| Deciduous Fruits & Crops | 0 | 0% | 12.0 | 0.7% |
| Field Crops | 81.8 | 8% | 370.6 | 23% |
| Grain & Hay Crops | 245.8 | 23% | 90.0 | 6% |
| Pasture Lands | 136.7 | 13% | 100.8 | 6% |
| Vacant | 41.2 | 4% | 1.0 | 0.06% |
| Riparian Vegetation | 4.5 | 0.5% | 26.5 | 2% |
| Native Vegetation | 280.4 | 27% | 194.5 | 12% |
| Water Surface | 4.2 | 0.5% | 2.23 | 0.13% |
| Semi-Agricultural & Incidental Agricultural Lands | 11.6 | 1% | 45.7 | 3% |
| Urban Commercial | 0 | 0% | 33.2 | 2% |
| Urban Landscape | 0 | 0% | 6.94 | 0.43% |
| Urban | 44.7 | 4% | 0 | 0% |
| Urban Residential | 116.3 | 11% | 728.4 | 45% |
| Urban Industrial | 20.1 | 2% | - | - |
| Outside Study Area | 0 | 0% | 1.19 | 0.07% |
| Idle Lands | 33.5 | 3% | 0 | 0% |
| Tilled Lands | 32.4 | 3% | 0 | 0% |
| Total | 1,053 acres | 100% | 1,613 acres | 100% |

Source: Sacramento County Agricultural Commissioner's Office for 2008 Crop and Livestock Report; City of Galt GIS data 2009

Because prime agricultural resources are similar between Area A and Area B, there essentially would be no change in impacts to farmland with the proposed attachment of Area A and detachment of Area B under the SOI Amendment project. In fact, the SOI Amendment would result in 37.8 acres less prime farmland that would potentially be converted to urban uses. Further, because no City services would be provided to an area within the SOI until that area is annexed, removal of an area from the SOI would not result in a change in environmental impacts to services from existing conditions. Therefore, for purposes of this environmental analysis, this EIR focuses on Area A for evaluation of environmental impacts.

Environmental Commitments

The City has incorporated the following environmental commitments as a component of the project application for the proposed City of Galt SOI Amendment.

Important Farmland and Open Space Resources

- At the time of submittal of any application to annex territory within the Sphere of Influence (SOI) Amendment area, the City of Galt will identify lands to be set aside in permanent conservation easements at a ratio of one open space acre converted to urban land uses to one-half open space acre preserved and at a ratio of one agriculture acre converted to urban land uses to one-half agriculture acre preserved. Stacking of mitigation values will be permitted in order to serve multiple overlapping conservation purposes. The total acres of land conserved will be based on the total on-site open space and agriculture acreage converted to urban uses. Conserved open space and agriculture areas may include areas on the project site, lands secured for permanent habitat enhancement (e.g., giant garter snake, Swainson's hawk habitat), or additional land identified by the City.

Habitat Preservation – South Sacramento County Habitat Conservation Plan (SSCHCP)

- At the time of submittal of any application to annex territory within the Sphere of Influence (SOI) Amendment area, the City of Galt will either demonstrate participation with the South Sacramento County Habitat Conservation Plan or provide mitigation consistent with the requirements of State and Federal regulatory authorities regarding impacts to special habitats and endangered species. The City will continue to mitigate impacts on special habitats and endangered species in consultation with applicable Federal and State agencies prior to adoption of the South Sacramento County Habitat Conservation Plan.

Development in Floodplain Areas

- At the time of submittal of any application to annex territory within the Sphere of Influence (SOI) Amendment area, the City of Galt will demonstrate compliance with the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP) (as adopted), and with the regulations of all other applicable federal, state, and local agencies.

SACOG Blueprint and Metropolitan Transportation Plan Consistency

- At the time of submittal of any application to annex territory within the Sphere of Influence (SOI) Amendment area, the City of Galt will consult with the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) regarding the Regional Blueprint and consistency with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan.

Greenhouse Gases and Climate Change

- At the time of submittal of any application to annex territory within the Sphere of Influence (SOI) Amendment area, the City of Galt will demonstrate compliance with Policy COS 7-1 of the City's 2030 General Plan as set forth below:

Policy COS-7.1: Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction

The City shall reduce greenhouse gas emissions from City operations as well as from private development in compliance with the California Global Warming Act of 2006 and any applicable State regulations. To accomplish this, the City will coordinate with the SMAQMD and the California Air Resources Board in developing a Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Plan (Plan) that identifies greenhouse gas emissions within the City as well as ways to reduce those emissions. The plan will parallel the requirements adopted by the California Air Resources Board specific to this issue. Specifically, the City will work with the SMAQMD to include the following key items in the Plan:

- *Inventory all known, or reasonably discoverable, sources (both public and private) of greenhouse gases in the City;*
- *Inventory estimated 1990 greenhouse gas emissions based on available data, the current level, those projected for the 2020 milestone year (consistent with AB32), and that projected for the year 2030;*
- *Set a target for the reduction of emissions attributable to the City's discretionary land use decisions and its own internal government operations, and;*
- *Identify specific actions that will be undertaken by the City to meet the emission reduction targets set by the City.*

Timely Availability of Sustainable Water Supplies Adequate for Projected Needs

- Prior to submittal of any application to annex territory within the Sphere of Influence (SOI) Amendment area, the City of Galt will provide a Plan for Services that demonstrates compliance with Federal Clean Drinking Water Act standards; and that sufficient, sustainable potable water supplies adequate for projected needs are available to accommodate the buildout of the annexation territory, with no adverse impact to existing ratepayers.

Adequate Services

- *Wastewater Services and Capacity.* At the time of submittal of any application to annex territory within the Sphere of Influence (SOI) Amendment area, the City of Galt will submit a Plan for Services that demonstrates that sufficient capacity improvements at its WWTP have been constructed, or will be constructed commensurate with demand, to accommodate the buildout of the annexation area with no adverse impact to existing ratepayers.
- *Solid Waste Capacity.* At the time of submittal of any application to annex territory within the Sphere of Influence (SOI) Amendment area, the City of Galt will identify services to be extended, the level and range of services, timing of services, improvements of facility upgrades associated with the services, and how the services will be financed to accommodate the buildout of the annexation area.

Housing Element

- At the time of submittal of any application to annex territory within the amended SOI Area, the City of Galt will confirm that any development planned for the area to be annexed is consistent with the adopted Galt 2030 General Plan Housing Element.

Air Quality Mitigation Plans

- AQ MEASURE 1: The goal of this mitigation measure is to avoid air quality impacts by ensuring that the Galt Sphere of Influence (SOI) Amendment area meets or exceeds the air pollution control requirements in the federally-mandated State Implementation Plan for the Sacramento Ozone Non-attainment Area (SIP), which consists of all or parts of Yolo, Solano, El Dorado, Placer, Sutter, and Sacramento counties, including the City of Galt and the SOI Amendment area:

At the time of submittal of any application to annex territory within the Sphere of Influence (SOI) Amendment area, the City of Galt will prepare an Air Quality Mitigation Plan (AQMP).

- a. The Plan must reduce the SOI Amendment's operational ozone precursor emissions by 35% when compared to the potential emissions that could occur in the SOI Amendment in the absence of the policies and measures included in the AQMP.
 - b. The City of Galt will coordinate the development of the AQMP with the SMAQMD and SACOG, and will use modeling tools approved by those agencies to gauge the effectiveness of the measures.
- AQ MEASURE 2 (Alternative air quality mitigation):

The AQMP required under AQ MEASURE 1 will be required to demonstrate a 15% reduction in ozone precursor emissions if the following conditions are met.

- a. The application for annexation of the SOI Amendment area or any portion thereof occurs after the June 15, 2019 SIP attainment deadline, and the SMAQMD confirms the ozone standards have been achieved.
- b. The City of Galt demonstrates that the development proposal is consistent with the new SIP or attainment plan and the SMAQMD concurs with the analysis. If the demonstration uses modeling tools, the tools must be approved by SMAQMD and SACOG.

Applicable LAFCo Rules and Regulations

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization (CKH) Act of 2000 requires that each Local Agency Formation Commission prepare Municipal Service Reviews and update Spheres of Influence for all cities and independent special districts within its jurisdiction.

For amendments to a SOI, LAFCo generally treats such amendments as if they were an application for approval of an SOI, or as an annexation planned for the mid- to long-range future. Therefore, policies that apply to SOI amendments include: (a) General policies; (b) Specific policies and

standards for annexations to cities and special districts; and (c) Specific policies and standards for amendments to Spheres of Influence. According to LAFCo policies Section V. Specific Standards by Type of Action, A. Annexations to Cities:

4. The LAFCo will favorably consider annexations with boundary lines located so that all streets and rights-of-way will be placed within the same city as the properties which either abut thereon or for the benefit of which such streets and rights-of-way are intended.
5. An applicant for an amendment to a Sphere of Influence must demonstrate a projected need or lack of need for service.

The boundary of the proposed SOI Amendment includes Laguna and Skunk Creeks to the north, and existing City property to the south. The proposed SOI Amendment would result in maintaining and enhancing waterways and roadways as the logical and reasonable future physical boundary of the City. Consistent with Government Code §56425(b), the City and County have had preliminary discussions regarding the proposed boundary change (Letter dated May 6, 2009 from Curt Campion, City of Galt Community Development Director, to Peter Brundage, Sacramento LAFCo Executive Officer). As required by LAFCo, the City has prepared a Municipal Services Review (MSR) to support the proposed SOI Amendment (July 2009).

According to LAFCo policies Section IV. General Standards, B. Conformance with Applicable General and Specific Plans:

1. LAFCo will approve changes of organization or reorganization only if the proposal is consistent with the General Plan and applicable Specific Plans of the applicable planning jurisdiction.
2. For purposes of the above policy, the applicable planning jurisdiction is as follows:
 - a. For annexations to a city, the applicable jurisdiction is the city to which annexation is proposed.

Therefore, for the purposes of this analysis, the applicable planning jurisdiction would be the City of Galt, since the project would modify the City's existing SOI to include the project area.

Required Approvals

Under the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, LAFCo has the power to approve or disapprove applications, modify boundaries of a proposal, and impose reasonable conditions of approval (Government Code §560000, et. seq.). The Sacramento LAFCo has the following discretionary powers related to the proposed City of Galt SOI Amendment project:

- CEQA determination that the project is within the scope of the previously certified Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) prepared for the City of Galt General Plan: 2030 as supported by the analysis in the Initial Study; that none of the factors described in CEQA Guidelines §15162 (a) (1), (2) & (3) exist; and, that the conditions, environmental conclusions, and mitigation measures that were adopted with the City of Galt General Plan: 2030 EIR are adequate to address the SOI Amendment request.
- Adoption of CEQA Findings and Mitigation Monitoring Plan.
- Consideration of an amendment of the City of Galt Sphere of Influence.

ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

EVALUATING THE SUITABILITY OF THE GALT GENERAL PLAN UPDATE: 2030 DEIR/FEIR TO ASSESS THE CITY OF GALT SOI AMENDMENT PROJECT

The purpose of the Environmental Checklist is to evaluate the categories in terms of any **“changed condition”** that may result in a changed environmental result. The environmental checklist comes from Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines. A “no” answer does not necessarily mean that there are no potential impacts relative to the environmental category, but that there is no change in the condition or status of the impact since it was analyzed and addressed with mitigations in the 2009 FEIR. Overriding considerations were adopted in the City of Galt’s consideration of the 2009 FEIR pursuant to Section 15096 of the CEQA Guidelines that accepted the possibility of certain impacts regardless of whether mitigations could adequately reduce them to a less-than-significant level. These environmental categories might be answered with a “no” in the Environmental Checklist since the City of Galt SOI Amendment project does not introduce changes that would result in a modification to the conclusion of the 2009 FEIR Findings document.

CEQA CHECKLIST AND GALT GENERAL PLAN UPDATE: 2030 DEIR ISSUE AREA CONCORDANCE

The Environmental Checklist uses the standard environmental checklist categories from Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines. The issue areas evaluated in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR are assessed for any “changed condition” (as described above) in the CEQA checklist categories according to the following index:

| Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR Issue Area | CEQA Checklist Issue Area |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| 2.0 Economic Conditions | n/a – not an environmental issue |
| 3.2 Community Image (Aesthetics) | I. Aesthetics |
| 4.2 Land Use | X. Land Use and Planning |
| 5.2 Circulation and Transportation | XVI. Transportation/Traffic |
| 6.2 Water Supply | XVII. Utilities and Service Systems |
| 6.3 Wastewater Systems | XVII. Utilities and Service Systems |
| 6.4 Storm Drainage | IX. Hydrology and Water Quality |
| 6.5 Solid Waste | XVII. Utilities and Service Systems |
| 6.6 Gas and Electric | XI. Mineral Resources/Energy |
| 6.7 Communication Systems | n/a – no environmental analysis |

| Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR Issue Area | | CEQA Checklist Issue Area | |
|--|---|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 6.8 | Law Enforcement | XIV. | Public Services |
| 6.9 | Fire Protection | | |
| 6.10 | Community Facilities | | |
| 6.11 | Public Schools | | |
| 6.12 | Parks | XIV. | Public Services |
| | | XV. | Recreation |
| 7.0 | Housing – to be completed following the City’s Housing Element Update | n/a – no environmental analysis | |
| 8.2 | Hydrology | IX. | Hydrology and Water Quality |
| 8.3 | Biological Resources | IV. | Biological Resources |
| 8.4 | Soils and Agricultural Resources | VI. | Geology and Soils |
| | | II. | Agriculture and Forestry Resources |
| 9.2 | Historic and Cultural Resources | V. | Cultural Resources |
| 10.2 | Noise | XII. | Noise |
| 10.3 | Geology and Seismic Hazards | VI. | Geology and Soils |
| | | XI. | Mineral Resources |
| 10.4 | Flooding | IX. | Hydrology and Water Quality |
| 10.5 | Wildland Fires | XIV. | Public Services |
| 10.6 | Human-Made Hazards | VIII. | Hazards and Hazardous Materials |
| 10.7 | Air Quality and Global Climate Change | III. | Air Quality |
| | | VII. | Greenhouse Gas Emissions |
| 12.1 | Growth Inducing Effects of the Proposed Project | XIII. | Population/Housing |

EXPLANATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST EVALUATION CATEGORIES:

Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR

This column provides a crosswalk to the pages of the City of Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR where information and analysis may be found relative to the environmental issue listed under each topic.

Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts?

Pursuant to Section 15162 (a)(1) of the CEQA Guidelines, this column indicates whether the changes represented by the City of Galt SOI Amendment project will result in new impacts that have not already been considered and mitigated by the 2009 FEIR for the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 or substantially increase the severity of a previously identified impact. If a “yes” answer is given, additional mitigations will be specified in the discussion section including a statement of impact status after mitigation. (Note: as a result of this study, no new mitigations were found to be necessary.)

Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts?

Pursuant to Section 15162(a)(2) of the CEQA Guidelines, this column indicates whether there have been changes to the project site or the vicinity (environmental setting) which have occurred subsequent to the certification of the 2009 FEIR, which would result in the component project having significant impacts that were not considered or mitigated by the 2009 FEIR or which substantially increase the severity of a previously identified impact.

Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification?

Pursuant to Section 15162(a)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines, this column indicates whether new information of substantial importance that was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the 2009 FEIR was adopted is available, requiring an update to the analysis of the EIR to verify that the environmental conclusions and mitigations remain valid. If the new information shows that: (A) the project will have one or more significant effects not discussed in the certified 2009 FEIR; or (B) that significant effects previously examined will be substantially more severe than shown in the certified 2009 FEIR; or (C) that mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects or the project, but the project proponent declines to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative; or (D) that mitigation measures or alternatives that are considerably different from those analyzed in the certified 2009 FEIR would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment, but the project proponent declines to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative, then the question would be answered ‘Yes,’ thereby requiring the preparation of a subsequent or supplemental EIR. However, if the additional analysis completed as part of this Environmental Review finds that the conclusions of the certified 2009 FEIR remain the same and no new significant impacts are identified, or identified environmental impacts are not found to be more severe, or additional mitigation is not necessary, then the question would be answered ‘No’ and no additional environmental documentation (supplemental or subsequent EIR) is required. If additional analysis is conducted as part of this Environmental Checklist and the environmental conclusion remains the same, no new or additional mitigation is necessary. If the analysis indicates that mitigation requires modifications, no additional environmental documentation is needed if it is found that the modified mitigation achieves a reduction in impact to the same level as originally intended.

FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts.

Pursuant to Section 15162(a)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines, this column indicates whether the 2009 FEIR provides mitigations to address effects in the related impact category and identifies mitigation adopted with the FEIR. If “NA” is indicated, the FEIR and this Environmental Checklist conclude that the impact does not occur with this project and therefore no mitigations are needed. If “SU” is indicated, the FEIR and this Environmental Checklist concludes that the impact is significant and unavoidable.

DISCUSSION AND MITIGATION SECTIONS

Discussion.

A discussion of the elements of the environmental checklist is provided under each environmental category in order to clarify the answers. The discussion provides information about the particular environmental issue, how the project relates to the issue, and the status of any mitigation that may be required.

Policy or Implementation Program.

Applicable policies and implementation programs are listed under each environmental category. Applicable policies and programs may be identified by impact.

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measures.

Mitigation measures from the 2009 FEIR that apply to the City of Galt SOI Amendment project are listed under each environmental category. All mitigation measures are included in the Findings of Fact and Statements of Overriding Considerations adopted by the City of Galt (see Appendix A).

Special Mitigation Measures.

If proposed changes represented by the City of Galt SOI Amendment project involve new impacts, special mitigations will be listed which will be included as project conditions to address those impacts. (No new mitigations have been required as a result of this study.)

ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| I. <u>Aesthetics</u>. Would the project: | | | | | |
| a) Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista? | DEIR Sec. 3.2 Impact 3.2-1 | NO | NO | NO | None Available – SU |
| b) Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway? | NA – no scenic roadways in project area | NO | NO | NO | NA – no scenic roadways in project area |
| c) Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings? | DEIR Sec. 3.2 Impact 3.2-1 | NO | NO | NO | None Available – SU |
| d) Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area? | DEIR Sec. 3.2 Impact 3.2-2 | NO | NO | NO | MM 3.2-2a MM 3.2-2b |

Discussion: The analysis of impacts to aesthetic resources from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 was evaluated in Section 3.2, *Community Image (Aesthetics)*, of the DEIR. All mitigation measures identified for significant impacts in the DEIR/FEIR and adopted by the City continue to remain the responsibility of the City as part of implementation of the General Plan. There have been no changes in the regulatory framework to protect open space resources or minimize light and glare effects in the project area. At the time of adoption of the FEIR, the project area consisted of predominantly agricultural-residential uses, open space, limited industrial, and small areas of expanding commercial uses. These general uses have not changed since adoption of the FEIR.

Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area, including several permanent changes to existing views associated with new development. Although development anticipated under the proposed SOI Amendment would represent the continuation of existing city-wide land use patterns, new development within the project area is proposed on land currently used for a variety of rural residential, agricultural, and open space uses. This new development would alter the existing open space views of surrounding visible areas and contrast with the surrounding open space/agricultural environment at the edge of these new development areas. Even with implementation of the policies and implementation programs listed below, the impact to the existing visual character of the City was considered significant and unavoidable with no additional feasible mitigation available. In addition, buildout of the project area would increase the amount of light and glare associated with the development of urban uses and would increase the amount of spill light and glare onto adjacent areas. The DEIR found that even with implementation of policies, implementation programs, and mitigation measures 3.2-2a and 3.2-2b, new development along the periphery of the existing City boundary would result in substantial new sources of light and glare within areas currently used for a variety of open space/agricultural activities and would be considered significant and unavoidable. However, the potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and impacts to aesthetic resources associated with the future urbanization of the SOI Amendment area were included in the environmental analysis. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR.

No major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR, nor has new information requiring analysis or verification been submitted. Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment would not result in additional visual resource effects or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy or Implementation Program:

| Community Character Element | |
|---|---|
| Policies and implementation programs designed to improve the overall visual quality of the urban environment and reduce visual impacts include the following: | |
| CC-1.1 City Image CC-1.2 Neighborhood Integrity CC-1.3 Existing Neighborhood Design CC-1.4 New Neighborhood Design CC-1.5 Rail Corridors CC-1.6 Open Space Features CC-1.7 Viewsheds | CC-1.8 Building Elevations CC-1.9 Signage CC-1.10 Art in Public Spaces Implementation Program CC-A Implementation Program CC-B Implementation Program CC-C |
| Policies designed to maintain and enhance the visual quality of Galt’s major corridors and city entrances through landscape and streetscape improvements and help to reduce visual impacts include the following: | |
| CC-2.1 Gateway Entrances CC-2.2 New Development in Corridors CC-2.3 Building Setbacks and Landscape Areas CC-2.4 Architectural Enhancements in Major Corridors | CC-2.5 Landscape Maintenance CC-2.6 Positive Travel Experience CC-2.7 State Route 99 and State Route 104 Beautification |
| Policies and implementation programs designed to protect the historical and authentic qualities of Galt’s Downtown and help to reduce visual impacts include the following: | |
| CC-3.1 Restore Downtown CC-3.2 Historical and Cultural Resources CC-3.3 Incorporating Historical Features in New Development Implementation Program CC-D | |
| Policies and implementation programs designed to maintain and enhance the quality of Galt’s trees and help to reduce visual impacts include the following: | |
| CC-4.1 Tree Canopy CC-4.2 Trees in New Development CC-4.3 Tree and Landscape Maintenance Requirements for Large Development Projects Implementation Program CC-E | |

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measure:

Mitigation Measure 3.2-2a: Adopt General Plan Policy CC-1.11 “Outdoor Lighting” to Address Light and Glare Impacts.

To mitigate light and glare impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new Policy CC-1.11 “Outdoor Lighting” into the Final General Plan:

- **CC-1.11 Outdoor Lighting.** The City shall ensure that future development includes provisions for the design of outdoor light fixtures to be directed/shielded downward and screened to avoid nighttime lighting spillover effects on adjacent land uses and nighttime sky conditions. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 3.2-2b: Adopt General Plan Policy CC-1.12 “Reflective Materials” to Address Light and Glare Impacts.

To mitigate light and glare impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new Policy CC-1.12 “Reflective Materials” into the Final General Plan:

- **CC-1.12 Reflective Materials.** The City shall consider a range of building materials to ensure that future building design reduces the potential impacts of daytime glare. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Special Mitigation Measures: None.

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|--|---|---|
| <p>II. <u>Agriculture and Forest Resources.</u> In determining whether impacts to agriculture resources are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to the California Agriculture Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Model (1997) prepared by the California Dept. of Conservation as an optional model to use in assessing impacts on agriculture and farmland. In determining whether impacts to forest resources, including timberland, are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to information compiled by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection regarding the state’s inventory of forest land, including the Forest and Range Assessment Project and the Forest Legacy Assessment project; and forest carbon measurement methodology provided in Forest Protocols adopted by the California Air Resources Board. Would the project:</p> | | | | | |
| a) Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use? | DEIR Sec. 8.4 Impact 8.4-2 | NO | NO | NO | None Available – Significant and Unavoidable |
| b) Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract? | DEIR Sec. 8.4 Impact 8.4-3 | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| c) Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104(g))? | NA | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| d) Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use? | NA | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| e) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agriculture use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use? | DEIR Sec. 8.4 Impact 8.4-4 | NO | NO | NO | NA |

Discussion: The analysis of impacts to agricultural resources from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 was evaluated in Section 8.4, *Soils and Agricultural Resources*, of the DEIR. Because Impact 8.4-3 and Impact 8.4-4 were found to be less than significant, no mitigation measures were required. Impacts due to the conversion of important farmland to non-agricultural uses were found to be significant and unavoidable, with no feasible mitigation available beyond the policies proposed in the 2030 General Plan. At the time of adoption of the FEIR, and currently, the project area consists of predominantly agricultural-residential uses, open space, limited industrial, and small areas of expanding commercial uses.

As discussed in the DEIR, buildout of the General Plan project area, including the SOI Amendment area, would result in the conversion of important farmlands. Policies included as part of the 2030 General Plan that would minimize this impact are summarized below. While these policies would provide partial mitigation for agricultural conversion, they would not prevent the loss of important farmlands within the General Plan area. The City of Galt has included commitments as part of the project application that would result in the establishment of permanent conservation easements at a ratio of one open space acre converted to urban land uses to one-half open space acre preserved and at a ratio of one agriculture acre converted to urban land uses to one-half agriculture acre preserved. While this would reduce impacts due to agricultural conversion, the City’s commitments still would not prevent the loss of important farmlands within the SOI Amendment area. Therefore, the conversion of important farmland to urban and other uses would be considered significant and unavoidable with no additional feasible mitigation available.

Given the intermixed nature of croplands with urban and rural-residential uses within the SOI Amendment area as shown in Figure 13 above, it is not possible to devise a feasible alternative that simultaneously promotes LAFCo’s policy for “the planned, orderly, efficient development of an area” and avoids conversion of these farmlands. Implementation of the No Project Alternative as set forth in the DEIR (which would result in no modification of the existing City sphere of influence) would result in a similar impact to agricultural resources compared to the proposed SOI Amendment project. This is because Area B to be detached from the SOI represents a similar acreage of Prime, Unique, or Farmland of Statewide Importance as Area A (see analysis in pages 8-19 above), and a similar amount of land designated as Prime, Unique, or Farmland of Statewide Importance would likely be converted to urban uses under the No Project Alternative within the SOI Amendment area compared to the amount of farmland that would be converted to urban uses under the proposed SOI Amendment project. Therefore, since there would be conversion of important farmland to urbanized uses under this alternative, there would still be a significant and unavoidable impact.

According to LAFCo policy, in reviewing proposals that could be expected to convert open space uses to non open space uses, “[d]evelopment or use of land for other than open-space uses shall be guided away from existing prime agricultural lands in open-space use toward areas containing nonprime agricultural lands, unless that action would not promote the planned, orderly, efficient development of an area” (GC §56377(a)). There are similar proportions of Farmland of Statewide Importance in the General Plan Study Area and the SOI Amendment project area (10,210 acres/42 percent vs. 492 acres/47 percent). However, compared to other areas in the General Plan Study Area, the SOI Amendment project area contains proportionately less prime agricultural lands (706 acres/3 percent vs. 1 acre/0.1 percent) (see DEIR Figure 8-9 Important Farmlands and Williamson Act Lands in the Study Area and Table 8.9 FMMP Land Use Designations within the City of Galt’s Study Area). Therefore, the SOI Amendment represents a logical and reasonable extension of the City boundaries.

There has been no major change in important agricultural resources since adoption of the FEIR. Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment would not result in additional agricultural resource effects or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required. Further, there have been no changes in the regulatory framework to protect agricultural resources. No major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR, nor has new information requiring analysis or verification been submitted.

Policy or Implementation Program:

| Land Use Element | Conservation and Open Space Element |
|---|---|
| Policies designed to conserve soils and agricultural resources within the Study Area include the following: | |
| LU-9.1 Greenbelt LU-9.2 Agricultural-Residential Uses | COS-4.1 Prime Agricultural Land Preservation COS-4.4 Open Space Protection |

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measure: None

Special Mitigation Measures: None

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|
| III. <u>Air Quality.</u> Where available, the significance criteria established by the applicable air quality management or air pollution control district may be relied upon to make the following determinations. Would the project: | | | | | |
| a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan? | DEIR Sec. 10.7 Impact 10.7-2 | NO | NO | YES | MM 10.7-1a MM 10.7-1b MM 10.7-1c |
| b) Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation? | DEIR Sec. 10.7 Impact 10.7-1 Impact 10.7-3 | NO | NO | YES | MM 10.7-1a MM 10.7-1b MM 10.7-1c SU |
| c) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is nonattainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)? | DEIR Sec. 10.7 Impact 10.7-1 | NO | NO | YES | MM 10.7-1a MM 10.7-1b MM 10.7-1c SU |
| d) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations? | DEIR Sec. 10.7 Impact 10.7-4 | NO | NO | NO | MM 10.7-1a MM 10.7-1c SU |
| e) Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people? | DEIR Sec. 10.7 Impact 10.7-5 | NO | NO | NO | NA |

Discussion: The analysis of impacts to air quality resources from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 project was evaluated in Section 10.7, *Air Quality and Global Climate Change*, of the DEIR. All mitigation measures identified for significant impacts in the DEIR/FEIR and adopted by the City continue to remain the responsibility of the City as part of implementation of the General Plan. Since the certification and adoption of the 2009 FEIR, the federal and state air quality regulatory environment has changed.

On October 8, 2009, the U.S. EPA Administrator signed the final 24-hour national air quality standards for fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}), which identified a non-attainment designation for Sacramento County. The designation will become effective 30 days after publication in the Federal Register. This designation was based on a revised 24-hour particulate standard of 25 micrograms per cubic meter (µg/m³) in 2006. Because the area does not meet attainment designations, counties include monitors that identify a violation of the standard and the nearby areas that contribute to the violation. The Clean Air Act (CAA) requires state, local, and tribal governments to take steps to control fine particulate pollution in the nonattainment areas. Steps may include stricter controls on industrial facilities and additional

planning requirements for transportation-related sources. Other measures include demonstration of attainment through State Implementation Plans (SIPs), meeting the new standards by 2014, implementing “transportation conformity,” which requires that local transportation and air quality officials coordinate planning, and compliance with new source review if applicable.

As of June 2010, Sacramento County was still in nonattainment for federal and state standards for ozone, PM_{2.5}, and PM₁₀, but in attainment for all other criteria pollutants (see Table 10-4, Sacramento County Attainment Status in the City of Galt General Plan Program DEIR and the updated version of the same information below). The table below includes updated information on the County attainment status. Although the federal attainment status for Sacramento County has changed since certification of the FEIR, the attainment status is not expected to substantially affect the implementation of applicable air quality plans and any ongoing violations of air quality standards.

| Sacramento County Attainment Status | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Pollutant | Designation/Classification | |
| | Federal Standards | State Standards |
| Ozone – 1-hour | No Federal Standard ¹ | Nonattainment |
| Ozone – 8-hour | Severe Nonattainment ² | Nonattainment |
| PM ₁₀ | Nonattainment | Nonattainment |
| PM _{2.5} | Nonattainment ² | Nonattainment |
| CO | Attainment | Attainment |
| Nitrogen Dioxide | Attainment | Attainment |
| Sulfur Dioxide | Attainment | Attainment |
| Lead | Attainment | Attainment |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | No Federal Standard | Unclassified |
| Sulfates | No Federal Standard | Attainment |
| Visibility-Reducing Particles | No Federal Standard | Unclassified |

¹ Federal 1-hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard was revoked on June 15, 2005

² On Wednesday, May 5, 2010, the U.S. EPA published its final rule in the Federal Register designating the Sacramento Metro area as severe non-attainment for the 1997 8-hour ozone national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS). The designation took effect on June 4, 2010.

³ The U.S. EPA Administrator signed the final PM_{2.5} nonattainment designations on October 8, 2009. Designations become effective 30 days after publication in the Federal Register.

Source: CARB 2009. Sacramento County AQMD 2010.

At the time of adoption of the FEIR, and currently, the vicinity of the project is characterized by rural agriculture and rural residential land uses. While additional residential development may have occurred in the project area since certification of the FEIR, all development activity within the SOI Amendment project area would be consistent with existing Sacramento County land use designations. Further, additional commercial development may have been completed along Twin Cities Road between State Highway 99 and McKenzie Road since certification of the FEIR; however, such development is currently within the City of Galt jurisdictional boundary consistent with existing City land use designations and is not part of the proposed SOI Amendment project area.

Conflict with Air Quality Attainment Plans: Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area. Urbanization of the project area would result in air quality impacts such as temporary short-term emissions due to construction activity and operational impacts from local and regional vehicle and area source emissions. The potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and both construction and operation air quality impacts associated with the future urbanization of the SOI Amendment area were included in the environmental analysis, including any potential conflict with Air Quality Attainment Plans (Impact 10.7.2). Within the General Plan, Conservation Element policies were identified to reduce air emissions and ensure coordination with air quality planning agencies, including policy COS-5.6, which required coordination with the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD). In addition, the City of Galt has included commitments as part of the project application that would further minimize air quality impacts by ensuring that the Galt SOI Amendment area meets or exceeds the air pollution control requirements in the federally-mandated State Implementation Plan for the Sacramento Ozone Non-attainment Area (SIP), and would require consultation with the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) regarding the Regional Blueprint and consistency with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan. With these project commitments, any proposed annexation by the City within the SOI Amendment area would be coordinated with air quality attainment planning and impacts to air quality and air quality attainment planning would be the same as those identified in the FEIR with the General Plan policies and implementation programs identified below. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR. Further, the project would be subject to mitigation measures to reduce potential air quality effects as summarized below. Therefore, implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030, including amending the City’s sphere of influence to include Area A, would continue to generate the significant and unavoidable air quality effects as previously analyzed; however, no new significant air quality impacts would occur. Although there have been changes in the regulatory framework to protect air quality resources [including to fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5})], mitigation measures adopted for impacts to air quality would continue to be in effect with the proposed SOI Amendment project.

Therefore, the proposed project would not introduce additional air quality impacts from those previously identified or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR. Except as modified above, no additional mitigation, other than mitigation measures provided in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 EIR (as listed below) would be required.

Policy or Implementation Program:

Policies to reduce potential impacts from air quality impacts identified in Impacts 10.7-1, 10.7-2, 10.7-3, 10.7-4, and 10.7-6

| Conservation Element | |
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| Policies designed to protect and improve air quality in the Galt area with the goal of attaining State and Federal health-based air quality standards include the following: | |
| COS-5.1 Vehicle Emission Reduction Programs COS-5.2 Walkable Design COS-5.3 Infill Development Priority COS-5.4 Mixed-Use Development | COS-5.5 Midday Trip Reduction COS-5.6 SMAQMD Coordination COS-5.9 Air Quality Mitigation Measures COS-5.10 New Development Operational Emission Reductions |
| Policies designed to integrate air quality planning with the land use and transportation planning process include the following: | |
| COS-6.1 Traffic Signal Synchronization COS-6.2 Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities COS-6.3 Employer Programs COS-6.4 City Fleet Vehicles | COS-6.5 Public Transit Bus Fleet COS-6.6 Traffic Calming Measures COS-4.9 Open Space Preservation COS-7.3 Motor Vehicle Trip Reduction |
| Policies designed to encourage energy conservation in new and existing developments include the following: | |
| COS-7.4 Energy Efficient Development COS-7.5 Building Design and Components COS-7.6 Sustainable Design COS-7.7 Energy Efficient Design Techniques in Specific Plans | COS-7.13 Renewable Technology Industries Recruitment COS-7.14 Energy Planner Coordination COS-7.15 New Tree Selection and Location COS-7.16 ESA Energy Star Certified Appliances |

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| COS-7.8 Energy Efficient Manufactured Homes COS-7.9 City Facilities COS-7.10 Renewable Energy Incentive Programs COS-7.11 Solar Photovoltaic System Incentive Programs COS-7.12 Residential Rehabilitations and Improvements | COS-7.17 Developer and Builder Energy Provider Coordination COS-7.18 Energy Workshops COS-7.19 Expedited Review for Installing Photovoltaic Systems COS-7.20 Incentives |
| Policies designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and global climate change include the following: | |
| COS-7.1 Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction COS-7.2 Statewide Global Warming Solutions Support | |

Policies to reduce potential impacts from objectionable odors identified in Impact 10.7-5

| Conservation Element | |
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| Policies designed to protect and improve air quality in the Galt area with the goal of attaining State and Federal health-based air quality standards include the following: | |
| COS-5.1 Vehicle Emission Reduction Programs COS-5.2 Walkable Design COS-5.3 Infill Development Priority COS-5.4 Mixed-Use Development | COS-5.5 Midday Trip Reduction COS-5.6 SMAQMD Coordination COS-5.9 Air Quality Mitigation Measures COS-5.10 New Development Operational Emission Reductions |
| Policies designed to integrate air quality planning with the land use and transportation planning process include the following: | |
| COS-6.1 Traffic Signal Synchronization COS-6.2 Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities COS-6.3 Employer Programs COS-6.4 City Fleet Vehicles | COS-6.5 Public Transit Bus Fleet COS-6.6 Traffic Calming Measures COS-4.9 Open Space Preservation COS-7.3 Motor Vehicle Trip Reduction |

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measures:

Mitigation Measure 10.7-1a: Adopt General Plan Policy COS-5.11 “Construction Mitigation Measures” to Address Air Quality Impacts. To mitigate air quality impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new Policy COS-5.11 “Construction Mitigation Measures,” into the Final General Plan:

- **Policy COS-5.11: Construction Mitigation Measures.** The City shall require developers to implement dust suppression measures as well as the applicable standard construction mitigation measures associated with exhaust NO_x and PM₁₀ reduction in accordance with the current SMAQMD CEQA Guide to Air Quality Assessment. *[New Policy Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 10.7-1b: Adopt General Plan Policy COS-5.12 “Construction Mitigation Fees” to Address Air Quality Impacts. To mitigate air quality impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new Policy COS-5.12 “Construction Mitigation Fees” into the Final General Plan:

- **Policy COS-5.12: Construction Mitigation Fees.** The City shall require developers to comply with the current SCAQMD construction mitigation fee offset program *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*.

Mitigation Measure 10.7-1c: Adopt General Plan Policy COS-5.13 “Air Pollution Control Technology” to Address Air Quality Impacts. To mitigate air quality impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new Policy COS-5.13 “Air Pollution Technology” into the Final General Plan:

- **Policy COS-5.13: Air Pollution Control Technology.** The City shall follow the rules and regulations as adopted by the SMAQMD to maintain healthful air quality and high visibility standards. These measures shall be applied to new development approvals and permit modifications as appropriate. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Special Mitigation Measures: None

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| IV. <u>Biological Resources</u>. Would the project: | | | | | |
| a) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service? | DEIR Sec. 8.3 Impact 8.3-1 | NO | NO | NO | MM 8.3-1a MM 8.3-1b SU |
| b) Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, and regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service? | DEIR Sec. 8.3 Impact 8.3-2 | NO | NO | NO | MM 8.3-1a MM 8.3-1b SU |
| c) Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means? | DEIR Sec. 8.3 Impact 8.3-3 | NO | NO | NO | MM 8.3-1a MM 8.3-1b SU |
| d) Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites? | DEIR Sec. 8.3 Impact 8.3-4 | NO | NO | NO | MM 8.3-1a MM 8.3-1b SU |
| e) Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance? | DEIR Sec. 8.3 Impact 8.3-1 Impact 8.3-2 Impact 8.3-4 | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| f) Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan? | DEIR Sec. 4.2 Impact 4.2-4 | NO | NO | NO | NA |

Discussion: The analysis of impacts to biological resources from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 project was evaluated in Section 8.3, *Biological Resources*, of the DEIR. All mitigation measures identified for significant impacts in the DEIR/FEIR and adopted by the City continue to remain the

responsibility of the City as part of the implementation of the General Plan. At the time of adoption of the FEIR, the vicinity of the project area consisted of agricultural cropland and rural residential land uses. Currently, the project site land uses and environmental setting have remained the same since the adoption of the FEIR. As such, potential changes related to habitat modifications, sensitive natural communities, federally protected wetlands, the movement of migratory wildlife, and/or conflicts with local policies and plans protecting biological resources are not expected. There have not been any major revisions to the project or significant new information available based on a review of applicable biological inventory databases for rare and endangered plants and wildlife likely to occur within the project vicinity (e.g. CNDDDB, CNPS electronic inventory) or applicable plans (e.g. Consumes River Project Lands). A 2009 review of the California Natural Diversity Database (CNDDDB), the USFWS endangered and threatened species database, and the California Native Plants Society (CNPS) electronic inventory indicate no new species are likely to occur within the project area compared to the 2007 inventory data included in the DEIR. The majority of the wildlife habitat within the project area includes cropland, annual grassland, urban areas, and riparian habitat along Skunk Creek (see Existing Conditions Report [ECR] Figure 8-3, *Wildlife Habitat*). None of these habitat areas are expected to have changed since the adoption of the FEIR. The species occurrences within or closest to the proposed SOI Amendment area include six occurrences of Tricolored Blackbird and two occurrences of Swainson's Hawk (see ECR Figure 8-4, *CNDDDB Species*). Since the adoption of the FEIR, no additional species occurrences have been indicated within the project vicinity.

Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area, which would result in increased potential for conversion of habitat and other sensitive wildlife impacts. The SOI Amendment project area includes large open space areas on agricultural lands, and implementation of the project would result in conversion of several vegetation communities and sensitive habitats to urban land uses. However, the potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and any contribution to these impacts associated with the proposed SOI Amendment was included in the environmental analysis. General Plan policies, implementation programs, and mitigation measures listed below would address impacts to biological resources for development in the project area, and no impacts not previously evaluated would be expected. In addition, the City of Galt has included commitments as part of the project application that would further minimize impacts to biological resources by demonstrating participation with the South Sacramento County Habitat Conservation Plan or providing mitigation consistent with the requirements of State and Federal regulatory authorities regarding impacts to special habitats and endangered species. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR.

Therefore, no major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR. Though there may have been changes in the regulatory framework to protect biological resources (e.g. designation of critical habitat for several special status species, designation of species), General Plan policies, implementation programs, and mitigation measures listed below would address impacts to biological resources for development in the project area. The proposed project would not result in additional biological resource effects or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy or Implementation Program:

Policies to reduce potential impacts to biological resources identified in Impacts 8.3-1 and 8.3-2

| Conservation and Open Space Element | Land Use Element |
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| Policies designed to protect and preserve sensitive habitats and address biological resource impacts include the following: | |
| COS-1.10 Ecological Features Retention COS-1.11 Riparian Corridor Protection COS-1.14 Floodplain Dedication COS-2.2 Wetland and Riparian Communities Management COS-2.3 Biologically Sensitive Area Development COS-2.7 Regional Habitat Conservation Efforts Coordination | LU-1.10 South Sacramento Habitat Conservation Plan LU-8.1 Greenbelt |

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| COS-3.1 Riparian Protection COS-3.2 Mature Tree and Woodland Preservation COS-4.2 Natural Floodway Protection COS-4.3 Natural Land Forms COS-4.4 Open Space Protection COS-4.5 Development Design and Construction COS-4.6 Natural Open Space in Parks COS-4.8 Open Space and Natural Area Connectivity COS-4.9 Open Space Preservation | |
| Conservation and Open Space Element | Community Character Element |
| Policies designed to mitigate the impact of development on key biological resources include the following: | |
| COS-1.13 No Net Loss of Wetlands COS-2.1 Sensitive Species Protection COS-2.4 Federal, State, and Local Statutes Compliance COS-2.5 Mitigation Measures Imposition COS-2.6 Biological Surveys | CC-1.6 Open Space Features |

Policies to reduce potential impacts to protected wetlands identified in Impact 8.3-3

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| Conservation and Open Space Element | |
| Policies designed to protect and preserve sensitive habitats (including wetland and vernal pool habitats) include the following: | |
| COS-1.10 Ecological Features Retention COS-1.13 No Net Loss of Wetlands COS-2.1 Sensitive Species Protection COS-2.2 Wetland and Riparian Communities Management COS-2.3 Biologically Sensitive Area Development | COS-2.4 Federal, State, and Local Statutes Compliance COS-2.5 Mitigation Measures Imposition COS-2.6 Biological Surveys COS-4.4 Open Space Protection COS-4.5 Development Design and Construction |

Policies to reduce potential impacts from movement of wildlife within wildlife corridors identified in Impact 8.3-4

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| Conservation and Open Space Element | Land Use, Community Character, and Safety and Seismic Elements |
| Policies designed to protect and preserve sensitive habitats and address biological resource impacts include the following: | |
| COS-1.10 Ecological Features Retention COS-1.11 Riparian Corridor Protection COS-1.13 No Net Loss of Wetlands COS-2.1 Sensitive Species Protection COS-2.2 Wetland and Riparian Communities Management | LU-1.10 South Sacramento Habitat Conservation Plan LU-8.1 Greenbelt CC-1.6 Open Space Features SS-3.1: Floodplain Mapping SS-3.2: Development in 100-year Floodplain |

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| COS-2.3 Biologically Sensitive Area Development COS-2.4 Federal, State, and Local Statutes Compliance COS-2.5 Mitigation Measures Imposition COS-2.6 Biological Surveys COS-3.1 Riparian Protection COS-4.2 Natural Floodway Protection COS-4.3 Natural Land Forms COS-4.4 Open Space Protection COS-4.5 Development Design and Construction COS-4.6 Natural Open Space in Parks COS-4.8 Open Space and Natural Area Connectivity COS-4.9 Open Space Preservation | |
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DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measures:

Mitigation Measure 8.3-1a: Adopt General Plan Policy COS-2.8 “Habitat Conservation Easement Coordination” to Address Biological Resource Impact:

To mitigate biological resource impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new policy COS-2.8 “Habitat Conservation Easement Coordination” into the Final General Plan:

- **COS-2.8 Habitat Conservation Easement Coordination:** The City will initiate contact with private conservation trusts and work to identify trust lands within the SOI and to the extent feasible will inventory known trust lands to address potential conflicts with development in the City’s planning area. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 8.3-1b: Adopt General Plan Policy COS-2.9 “Minimize Lighting Impact” to Address Biological Resource Impacts: To mitigate biological resource impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new policy COS-2.9 “Minimize Lighting Impacts” into the Final General Plan:

- **COS-2.9 Minimize Lighting Impacts.** The City should ensure that lighting associated with new development or facilities (including street lighting, recreational facilities, and parking) shall be designed to prevent artificial lighting from illuminating adjacent natural areas at a level greater than one foot candle above ambient conditions. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Special Mitigation Measures: None

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| V. Cultural Resources. Would the project: | | | | | |
| a) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in Section 15064.5? | DEIR Sec. 9.0 Impact 9.2-1 | NO | NO | NO | MM 9.2-1a MM9.2-1b MM 9.2-1c SU |
| b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to Section 15064.5? | DEIR Sec. 9.0 Impact 9.2-2 | NO | NO | NO | MM 9.2-2a MM 9.2-2b MM 9.2-2c MM 9.2-2d |
| c) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature? | DEIR Sec. 9.0 Impact 9.2-2 | NO | NO | NO | MM 9.2-2a MM 9.2-2b MM 9.2-2c MM 9.2-2d |
| d) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries? | DEIR Sec. 9.0 Impact 9.2-2 | NO | NO | NO | MM 9.2-2a MM 9.2-2b MM 9.2-2c MM 9.2-2d |

Discussion: The analysis of impacts to cultural resources from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 was evaluated in Section 9.0, *Historic Resources*, of the DEIR. All mitigation measures identified for significant impacts in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR and adopted by the City continue to remain the responsibility of the City as part of implementation of the General Plan. The cultural resource setting for the project site and the project area has not changed since adoption of the FEIR. At the time of adoption of the FEIR, the vicinity of the project consisted of agricultural cropland and rural residential land uses. The City of Galt contains two National Register of Historic Resources (NRHP) listed buildings, one State Historic Landmark, two State Historical Points of Interest, and fifty City Historic Landmarks/Sites. While some of these sites may be eligible for listing in the NRHP, none were located within the SOI Amendment area. Further, there have been no changes in the regulatory framework to protect historic or cultural resources in the project area.

Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area, which would result in increased potential for impacts to historic and cultural resources. Because there are no potential historic resources within the SOI Amendment project area and the likelihood of an impact to occur was analyzed in the DEIR, the project would not result in any new impact not disclosed within the adopted Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR. The archaeological archives and research for the project area indicated that most prehistoric settlement within the area was focused along the major waterways, particularly within 1,000 feet of the Cosumnes River and along the Dry Creek corridor. Prehistoric sites, such as areas with grinding stones and mortars, may be found in any location within the project area and therefore could be damaged during ground-disturbing activities. However, the potential future

urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and any contribution to these impacts associated with the proposed SOI Amendment was included in the environmental analysis. General Plan policies, implementation programs, and mitigation measures listed below would address impacts to historic and cultural resources from development in the project area, and no impacts not previously evaluated would be expected. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR.

Therefore, no major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR, nor has new information requiring analysis or verification been submitted. The proposed project would not result in additional historic or cultural resource effects or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy or Implementation Program:

Policies to reduce potential impacts historical resources identified in Impact 9.2-1

| Historic Resources Element |
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| Policies designed to preserve and maintain City historic resources include the following: |
| HRE-1.1 Historic Preservation HRE-1.2 Preservation of Architectural Styles HRE-1.3 Downtown Design Coordination HRE-1.4 Renovations HRE-1.5 Historic Resources Inventory HRE-1.6 Property Owner Consultation HRE-1.7 Environmental Review of Historic Resources HRE-1.8 Railroad Property HRE-1.9 Downtown Revitalization and Historic Preservation Specific Plan Area HRE-1.10 Adaptive Reuse HRE-1.11 Historic Preservation Plan HRE-2.1 Economic Incentives HRE-2.2 Federal and State Grants HRE-3.1 Awareness Ceremonies HRE-3.2 Coordination with other Agencies and Organizations |

Policies to reduce potential impacts to archaeological resources or human remains identified in Impact 9.2-2

| Historic Resources Element |
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| Policies designed to preserve and maintain archaeological resources include the following: |
| HRE-1.11 Historic Preservation Plan |

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measures:

Mitigation Measure 9.2-1a: Adopt Revised General Plan Policy HRE-1.2 “Preservation of Architectural Styles” to Address Historic Resource Impacts.

To mitigate historic resource impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following revisions to Policy HRE-1.2 “Preservation of Architectural Styles” into the Final General Plan:

- Policy HRE-1.2: Preservation of Architectural Styles.** The City should encourage the preservation of varied architectural styles that reflect Galt’s cultural, social, economic, political, and architectural past. *For structures listed on the City’s cultural resources list or on the NRHP or CRHR, preservation efforts shall conform to the*

current Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties and Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Building. [Galt Area Historical Society – Draft EIR Analysis]

Mitigation Measure 9.2-1b: Adopt Revised General Plan Policy HRE-1.4: “Renovations” to Address Historic Resource Impacts.

To mitigate historic resource impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following to Policy HRE-1.4 “Renovations” into the Final General Plan:

- **Policy HRE-1.4: Renovations.** The City shall continue to assist in financing and accomplishing renovation efforts in the Downtown area, including façade enhancements, as funding allows. *For designated historic structures, renovation efforts shall conform to the current Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties and Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Building. [City: D-2 – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 9.2-1c: Adopt Revised General Plan Policy HRE-1.9 “Downtown Revitalization and Historic Preservation Specific Plan Area” to Address Historic Resource Impact.

To mitigate historic resource impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following revisions to Policy HRE-1.9 “Downtown Revitalization and Historic Preservation Specific Plan Area” into the General Plan:

- **Policy HRE-1.9: Downtown Revitalization and Historic Preservation Specific Plan Area.** The City should continue to implement the Downtown Revitalization and Historic Preservation Specific Plan, including the design guidelines to ensure that new construction, renovations, and additions are compatible with existing adjacent structures. *For designated historic structures, renovation efforts shall conform to the current Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties and Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings. [M&A – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 9.2-2a: Adopt General Plan Policy HRE-4.1 “Archaeological Resource Surveys” to Address Cultural Resource Impacts.

To mitigate cultural resource impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new Policy HRE-4.1 “Archaeological Resource Surveys” into the Final General Plan:

- **HRE-4.1 Archaeological Resource Surveys.** For future development projects on previously un-surveyed lands, the City shall require a project applicant to have a qualified archeologist conduct the following activities: (1) conduct a record search at the North Central Information Center located at California State University, Sacramento and other appropriate historical repositories, (2) conduct field surveys where appropriate, and (3) prepare technical reports, where appropriate, meeting California Office of Historic Preservation Standards (Archeological Resource Management Reports). These requirements shall be completed prior to the approval of the specific project. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 9.2-2b: Adopt General Plan Policy HRE-4.2 “Native American Resources” to Address Cultural Resource Impacts.

To mitigate cultural resource impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new Policy HRE-4.2 “Native American Resources” into the Final General Plan:

- **HRE-4.2 Native American Resources.** The City shall consult with Native American representatives regarding cultural resources to identify locations of importance to Native Americans, including archeological sites and traditional cultural properties. Consistent with State requirements, consultation shall occur at the onset of an amendment to the City’s General Plan or a specific plan. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 9.2-2c: Adopt General Plan Policy HRE-4.3 “Discovery of Archaeological Resources” to Address Cultural Resource Impacts.

To mitigate cultural resource impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new Policy HRE-4.3 “Discovery of Archaeological Resources” into the Final General Plan:

- **HRE-4.3 Discovery of Archaeological Resources.** In the event that archaeological/paleontological resources are discovered during site excavation, the City shall require that grading and construction work on the project site be suspended until the significance of the features can be determined by a qualified archaeologist/paleontologist. The City will require that a qualified archeologist/paleontologist make recommendations for measures necessary to protect a site or to undertake data recovery, excavation, analysis, and curation of archaeological/paleontological materials. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 9.2-2d: Adopt General Plan Policy HRE-4.4 “Discovery of Human Remains” to Address Cultural Resource Impacts.

To mitigate cultural resource impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new Policy HRE-4.4 “Discovery of Human Remains” into the Final General Plan:

- **HRE-4.4 Discovery of Human Remains.** Consistent with CEQA Guidelines (Section 15064.5), if human remains of Native American origin are discovered during development project construction, it is necessary to comply with state laws relating to the disposition of Native American burials, which fall within the jurisdiction of the Native American Heritage Commission (Public Resources Code Sec. 5097). If any human remains are discovered or recognized in any location on the project site, there shall be no further excavation or disturbance of the site or any nearby area reasonably suspected to overlie adjacent human remains until:
 - a. *The Sacramento County Coroner/ Sheriff has been informed and has determined that no investigation of the cause of death is required; and*
 - b. *If the remains are of Native American origin,*
 1. *The descendants of the deceased Native Americans have made a timely recommendation to the landowner or the person responsible for the excavation work, for means of treating or disposing of, with appropriate dignity, the human remains and any associated grave goods as provided in Public Resources Code Section 5097.98, or*
 2. *The Native American Heritage Commission was unable to identify a descendant or the descendant failed to make a recommendation within 24 hours after being notified by the commission. [New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Special Mitigation Measures: None

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| VI. <u>Geology and Soils.</u> Would the project: | | | | | |
| a) Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i) Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42. ii) Strong seismic ground shaking? iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction? iv) Landslides? | DEIR Sec. 10.3 Impact 10.3-1 | NO | NO | NO | MM 10.3-1 |
| b) Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil? | DEIR Sec. 8.4 Impact 8.4-1 | NO | NO | NO | NA |

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| c) Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse? | DEIR Sec. 10.3 Impact 10.3-2 | NO | NO | NO | MM 10.3-1 |
| d) Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property? | DEIR Sec. 10.3 Impact 10.3-3 | NO | NO | NO | MM 10.3-1 |
| e) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water? | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |

Discussion: The analysis of geology and soil impacts from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 was evaluated in Section 8.4, *Soils and Agricultural Resources*, and Section 10.3, *Geology and Seismic Hazards*, of the DEIR. All mitigation measures identified for significant impacts in the DEIR/FEIR and adopted by the City continue to remain the responsibility of the City as part of implementation of the General Plan. There have been no major changes to geology and seismic hazards in the project area since adoption of the FEIR. Though there may have been changes in the regulatory framework to protect soil and geologic resources and to protect against geologic hazards (e.g., new construction NPDES requirements), General Plan policies and implementation programs, in addition to Mitigation Measure 10.3-1, which requires compliance with the California Building Standard Code, would address seismic hazard impacts for development in the project area, and no impacts not previously evaluated would be expected.

Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area, with increased buildings and population subject to soil and seismic hazards. However, the potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and geology and seismic hazard impacts associated with the future urbanization of the SOI Amendment area were included in the environmental analysis. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR.

No major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR, nor has new information requiring analysis or verification been submitted. The proposed project would not result in additional geologic hazard effects or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy or Implementation Program:

Policies to reduce potential impacts from soil erosion identified in Impact 8.4-1

| Public Facilities and Services Element | Conservation and Open Space & Safety and Seismic Elements |
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| Policies designed to minimize soils-related impacts associated with a variety of factors (including both human and naturally occurring effects) include the following: | |
| PFS-4.4 Project Design PFS-4.5 Grading During the Rainy Season PFS-4.6 Erosion Control Plan | COS-1.12 Best Management Practices SS-2.1 Geologic and Soils Information SS-2.3 Grading/Erosion Control |

Policies to reduce potential impacts from seismic hazards identified in Impact 10.3-1

| Safety and Seismic Element | Land Use Element |
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| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize geologic hazard impacts to people and structures in the Study Area include the following: | |
| SS-1.1: City Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) SS-1.2: Inter-Agency Coordination SS-1.3: Rehabilitation Loans for Seismic Retrofitting SS-1.4: Structural Improvements Grants/Loans SS-2.1: Geologic and Soils Information SS-2.2: Seismically-Engineered Public Structures SS-2.3: Grading/Erosion Control SS-B Unreinforced Masonry Structures Inventory | LU-1.9: Growth in Hazard-Prone Areas |

Policies to reduce potential impacts from soil liquefaction or subsidence identified in Impact 10.3-2

| Safety and Seismic Element | Land Use Element |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Policies designed to minimize geologic hazard impacts to people and structures in the Study Area include the following: | |
| SS-2.1: Geologic and Soils Information SS-2.2: Seismically-Engineered Public Structures SS-2.3: Grading/Erosion Control | LU-1.9: Growth in Hazard-Prone Areas |

Policies to reduce potential impacts from risks due to expansive soil identified in Impact 10.3-3

| Safety and Seismic Element | Land Use Element |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| Policies designed to minimize geologic hazard impacts to people and structures in the Study Area include the following: | |
| SS-2.1: Geologic and Soils Information SS-2.3: Grading/Erosion Control | LU-1.9 Growth in Hazard-Prone Areas |

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measures:

Mitigation Measure 10.3-1: Adopt General Plan Policy SS-1.7 “California Building Standard Code” to Address Seismic Hazard Impacts:

To mitigate potential seismic hazard impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new policy SS-1.7 “California Building Standard Code” into the Final General Plan:

- **Policy SS-1.7: California Building Standard Code.** The City shall continue to require that alterations to existing buildings and all new buildings be built according to the seismic requirements of the California Building Standard Code. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Special Mitigation Measures: None

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| VII. Greenhouse Gas Emissions. Would the project: | | | | | |
| a) Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment? | DEIR Sec. 10.7 Impact 10.7-6 | NO | NO | NO | MM 10.7-6 SU |
| b) Conflict with any applicable plan, policy or regulation of an agency adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases? | DEIR Sec. 10.7 Impact 10.7-6 | NO | NO | YES | MM 10.7-6 SU |

Discussion: The analysis of impacts to greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and global climate change from the implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 was evaluated in Section 10.7, *Air Quality and Global Climate Change*, of the DEIR. All mitigation measures identified for significant impacts in the DEIR/FEIR and adopted by the City continue to remain the responsibility of the City as part of implementation of the General Plan. There has been no major change in the GHG setting in the project area since adoption of the FEIR.

The regulatory setting for global climate change and GHG emissions is rapidly evolving and has changed since adoption of the FEIR. On May 21, 2009, the Energy and Commerce Committee approved H.R. 2454, “The American Clean Energy and Security Act.” Also known as the Waxman-Markley comprehensive energy bill, this legislation amends the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA) to establish a combined efficiency and renewable electricity standard that requires utilities to supply an increasing percentage of their demand from a combination of energy efficiency savings and renewable energy (6 percent in 2012, 9.5 percent in 2014, 13 percent in 2016, 16.5 percent in 2018, and 20 percent in 2021-2039). H.R. 2425 includes a cap-and-trade global warming reduction plan designed to reduce economy-wide GHG emissions 17 percent by 2020.

On April 24, 2009, the EPA released a Proposed “Endangerment Finding”: current concentrations of GHG emissions in the atmosphere endanger public health and welfare and that new motor vehicles (and engines) contribute to this endangerment (Endangerment and Cause or Contribute Findings for Greenhouse Gases Under Section 202(a) of the Clean Air Act; Proposed Rule (Federal Register Vol 74, No 78, Part III, Environmental Protection Agency, 40 CFR Chapter 1). As an endangerment to public health, GHGs would be subject to regulation by EPA under Section 202(a) of the Clean Air Act.

On December 29, 2009, the EPA’s Final Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gas Rule became effective, which requires large emitters and suppliers of GHGs to begin collecting data starting January 1, 2010 under a new reporting system. Under this new rule, suppliers of fossil fuels or industrial GHGs, manufacturers of vehicles or engines, and facilities that emit 25,000 tonnes or more per year of GHGs are now required to submit annual reports to EPA.

On March 18, 2010 proposed amendments to the state CEQA Guidelines for GHG emissions, as required by Senate Bill 97 (Chapter 185, 2007), were made effective. These CEQA Guideline amendments provide guidance to public agencies regarding the analysis and mitigation of the effects of GHG emissions in draft CEQA documents.

On May 13, 2010, the EPA issued a Final Rule on “Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Title V Greenhouse Gas Tailoring Rule.” This final rule sets thresholds for greenhouse gas emissions that define when permits under the New Source Review Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) and title V Operating Permit programs are required for new and existing industrial facilities. Step 1 of this final rule will take effect on January 2, 2011.

Although the regulatory environment has changed since certification of the FEIR, impacts from GHG emissions would continue to be significant and unavoidable, and no new impacts or environmental conclusions would result.

The proposed SOI Amendment area would involve the urbanization of existing land uses, which would result in an incremental increase in traffic or on-road vehicle CO₂ emissions, which are considered the primary contributors to operational GHG emissions. Because the proposed SOI Amendment area would contribute to an incremental increase in GHG emissions, the proposed project would conflict with state AB 32 goals related to reducing emissions, making the project's contribution a significant impact. However, the potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of the buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and any incremental increase in GHG emission impacts associated with the future urbanization of the SOI Amendment area was included in the environmental analysis. In addition, the City of Galt has included commitments as part of the project application that would further minimize impacts from GHG emissions by demonstrating compliance with Policy COS 7-1 of the City's 2030 General Plan as set forth below, which requires coordination with the SMAQMD and the California Air Resources Board in developing a Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Plan that identifies greenhouse gas emissions within the City as well as ways to reduce those emissions. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR. Even with implementation of the policies and implementation programs and Mitigation Measure 10.7-6 listed below, the impact to the generation of GHG emissions was considered significant and unavoidable with no additional feasible mitigation available.

No major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR. Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment would not result in additional GHG emission effects or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy or Implementation Programs:

| Conservation Element | |
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| Policies designed to protect and improve air quality in the Galt area with the goal of attaining State and Federal health-based air quality standards include the following: | |
| COS-5.1 Vehicle Emission Reduction Programs COS-5.2 Walkable Design COS-5.3 Infill Development Priority COS-5.4 Mixed-Use Development | COS-5.5 Midday Trip Reduction COS-5.6 SMAQMD Coordination COS-5.9 Air Quality Mitigation Measures COS-5.10 New Development Operational Emission Reductions |
| Policies designed to integrate air quality planning with the land use and transportation planning process include the following: | |
| COS-6.1 Traffic Signal Synchronization COS-6.2 Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities COS-6.3 Employer Programs COS-6.4 City Fleet Vehicles | COS-6.5 Public Transit Bus Fleet COS-6.6 Traffic Calming Measures COS-4.9 Open Space Preservation COS-7.3 Motor Vehicle Trip Reduction |
| Policies designed to encourage energy conservation in new and existing developments include the following: | |
| COS-7.4 Energy Efficient Development COS-7.5 Building Design and Components COS-7.6 Sustainable Design COS-7.7 Energy Efficient Design Techniques in Specific Plans COS-7.8 Energy Efficient Manufactured Homes COS-7.9 City Facilities COS-7.10 Renewable Energy Incentive Programs COS-7.11 Solar Photovoltaic System Incentive Programs COS-7.12 Residential Rehabilitations and Improvements | COS-7.13 Renewable Technology Industries Recruitment COS-7.14 Energy Planner Coordination COS-7.15 New Tree Selection and Location COS-7.16 ESA Energy Star Certified Appliances COS-7.17 Developer and Builder Energy Provider Coordination COS-7.18 Energy Workshops COS-7.19 Expedited Review for Installing Photovoltaic Systems COS-7.20 Incentives |
| Policies designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and global climate change include the following: | |
| COS-7.1 Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction COS-7.2 Statewide Global Warming Solutions Support | |

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measures:

Mitigation Measure 10.7-6: Adopt Revised General Plan Policy COS-7.1 “Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction” to Address Climate Change Impacts:

To mitigate potential climate change impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following revised policy COS-7.1 “Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction” into the Final General Plan:

- **Policy COS-7.1: Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction.** The City should reduce greenhouse gas emissions from City operations as well as from private development in compliance with the California Global Warming Act of 2006 and any applicable State regulations. *To accomplish this, the City will coordinate with the SMAQMD and the California Air Resources Board in developing a Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Plan (Plan) that identifies greenhouse gas emissions within the City as well as ways to reduce those emissions. The plan will parallel the requirements adopted by the California Air Resources Board specific to this issue. Specifically, the City will work with the SMAQMD to include the following key items in the Plan:*
 - *Inventory all known, or reasonably discoverable, sources of greenhouse gases in the City,*
 - *Inventory the greenhouse gas emissions level in 1990, the current level, and that projected for the year 2030, and*
 - *Set a target for the reduction of emissions attributable to the City’s discretionary land use decisions and its own internal government operations. [Revised Policy –Draft EIR Analysis]*

Special Mitigation Measures: None

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| VIII. Hazards and Hazardous Materials. Would the project: | | | | | |
| a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials? | DEIR Sec. 10.6 Impact 10.6-1 | NO | NO | NO | MM 10.6-1a thru MM 10.6-1h |
| b) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment? | DEIR Sec. 10.6 Impact 10.6-1 | NO | NO | NO | MM 10.6-1a thru MM 10.6-1h |
| c) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school? | DEIR Sec. 10.6 Impact 10.6-2 | NO | NO | NO | MM 10.6-1a thru MM 10.6-1h |
| d) Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment? | DEIR Sec. 10.6 Impact 10.6-3 | NO | NO | NO | MM 10.6-1a thru MM 10.6-1h |

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| e) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area? | DEIR Sec. 10.6 Impact 10.6-4 | NO | NO | NO | MM 4.2-3 |
| f) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area? | DEIR Sec. 10.6 Impact 10.6-4 | NO | NO | NO | MM 4.2-3 |
| g) Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan? | DEIR Sec. 10.6 Impact 10.6-5 | NO | NO | NO | None Available SU |
| h) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands? | DEIR Sec. 10.5 Impact 10.5-1 | NO | NO | NO | MM 6.9-1 SU |

Discussion: The analysis of impacts due to hazards and hazardous materials from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 was evaluated in Section 10.6, *Human-Made Hazards*, of the DEIR. All mitigation measures identified for significant impacts in the DEIR/FEIR and adopted by the City continue to remain the responsibility of the City as part of implementation of the General Plan. While the status of some of the identified contaminated sites may have changed, there has been no major change to public health and environmental risk conditions in the City since adoption of the FEIR. There have been no changes in the regulatory framework to minimize safety hazards in the project area.

Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area, which would result in increased potential for human-made hazards, increased traffic that would deteriorate roadway traffic conditions and could interfere with emergency response, and increased development adjacent to areas of potential wildland fires. However, the potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and any contribution to these impacts associated with the proposed SOI Amendment was included in the environmental analysis. General Plan policies, implementation programs, and mitigation measures listed below would address impacts due to safety hazards for development in the project area, and no impacts not previously evaluated would be expected. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR.

No major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR, nor has new information requiring analysis or verification been submitted. The proposed project would not result in additional safety hazard effects or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy or Implementation Program:

Policies to reduce potential impacts from transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials identified in Impact 10.6-1

| Safety and Seismic Element | Public Facilities and Services & Land Use Elements |
|---|--|
| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize the risk of City residents and property associated with the transport, distribution, use, and storage of hazardous materials include the following: | |
| SS-1.1: City Emergency Operations Plan SS-1.2: Inter-Agency Coordination SS-5.1: Fuel and Chemical Storage Tank Construction SS-5.2: Hazardous Waste Facility Location SS-5.3: New Development SS-5.4: Rancho Seco Nuclear Generating Station SS-C: Sacramento County Hazardous Waste Management Plan | PFS-7.1: Fire Protection PFS-7.3: Fire Code PFS-7.4: Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Facilities LU-1.9: Growth in Hazard-Prone Areas LU-7.1: Industrial Designation LU-7.2: Industrial Park |

Policies to reduce potential impacts from hazardous emissions on nearby schools identified in Impact 10.6-2

| Safety and Seismic Element | Land Use Element |
|---|---|
| Policies designed to minimize the risk of City residents and property associated with the transport, distribution, use, and storage of hazardous materials include the following: | |
| SS-1.1: City Emergency Operations Plan SS-1.2: Inter-Agency Coordination SS-5.1: Fuel and Chemical Storage Tank Construction SS-5.2: Hazardous Waste Facility Location SS-5.3: New Development SS-5.4: Rancho Seco Nuclear Generating Station SS-C: Sacramento County Hazardous Waste Management Plan | LU-1.9: Growth in Hazard-Prone Areas LU-7.1: Industrial Designation LU-7.2: Industrial Park |

Policies to reduce potential impacts from hazardous sites identified in Impact 10.6-3

| Safety and Seismic Element | Public Facilities and Services & Land Use Elements |
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| Policies designed to minimize the risk of City residents and property associated with their placement on or near a contaminated site include the following: | |
| SS-1.1: City Emergency Operations Plan SS-1.2: Inter-Agency Coordination SS-5.1: Fuel and Chemical Storage Tank Construction SS-5.2: Hazardous Waste Facility Location SS-5.3: New Development SS-5.4: Rancho Seco Nuclear Generating Station SS-C: Sacramento County Hazardous Waste Management Plan | PFS-7.1: Fire Protection PFS-7.3: Fire Code PFS-7.4: Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Facilities LU-1.9: Growth in Hazard-Prone Areas LU-7.1: Industrial Designation LU-7.2: Industrial Park |

Policies to reduce potential impacts from safety hazards due to aircraft overflight identified in Impact 10.6-4

| Safety and Seismic Element | Land Use Element |
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| Policies designed to minimize the risk of airport related hazards to City residents and property include the following: | |
| SS-1.2 Interagency Coordination | LU-1.9 Growth in Hazard-Prone Areas |
| Circulation Element | Noise Element |
| C-7.1 Airport Improvements C-7.2 Inter-Agency Coordination | N-1.2 Noise Mitigation N-1.6 Noise-Sensitive Land Separation N-1.11 Land Use Compatibility |

Policies to reduce potential impacts from interference with an emergency response plan identified in Impact 10.6-5

| Safety and Seismic & Circulation Elements | Public Facilities and Services Element |
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| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize the risk of airport related hazards to City residents and property include the following: | |
| SS-1.1 City Emergency Response Plan SS-1.2 Inter-Agency Coordination SS-5.4 Rancho Seco Nuclear Generating Station C-1.3 Level of Service C-1.9 Traffic Impact Analysis and Funding C-1.10 Traffic Fees C-3.2 New Developments C-A Capital Improvements Financing Plan and Development Fees | PFS-6.2 Police Protection PFS-6.3 Maintaining Service Standards PFS-7.1 Fire Protection PFS-7.3 Fire Code PFS-7.4 Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Facilities PFS-7.5 Traffic Control and Calming Measures |

Policies to reduce potential impacts from wildland fire hazards identified in Impact 10.5-1

| Safety and Seismic & Land Use Elements | Public Facilities and Services Element |
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| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize this impact through the continued provision of fire protection services and emergency response planning include the following: | |
| SS-4.1: Building Inspections SS-4.2: Fire Protection for Public Buildings SS-4.3: Variance Approval for Fire Vehicle Access SS-4.4: Water Supply for New Developments SS-4.5: Fire Fighting Resources in Development Plans SS-4.6: Fire Sprinklers LU-1.9: Growth in Hazard-Prone Areas LU-1.11: Fair Share Capital Costs on New Development LU-4.3: Infrastructure Improvements LU-4.4: Nuisance and Fire Safety Enforcement | PFS-1.1: General Financing PFS-1.7: Public Facility Financing PFS-1.8: Ultimate Capacity Needs PFS-1.9: Fair Share Costs on New Developments PFS-2.12: Fire Protection PFS-7.1: Fire Protection PFS-7.2: Local Access to Fire Services PFS-7.4: Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Facilities PFS-J: New Fire Substations |
| Policies designed to ensure a coordinated approach to emergency response and evacuation planning include the following: | |
| SS-1.1: City Emergency Operations Plan SS-1.2: Inter-Agency Coordination | PFS-7.3: Fire Code |

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measures:

Mitigation Measure 10.6-1a: Adopt Revised General Plan Policy SS-1.2 “Inter-Agency Coordination” to Address Public Safety Impacts:

To mitigate potential public safety impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following revised policy SS-1.2 “Inter-Agency Coordination” into the Final General Plan:

- Policy SS-1.2: Inter-Agency Coordination.** The City shall cooperate with the Cosumnes Community Services District Fire Department, the Red Cross, the County and State Offices of Emergency Services, *Sacramento County Environmental Management Department*, and the Federal Office of Emergency Preparedness in their efforts to do emergency planning, evacuation planning, and public disaster education. *[Revised Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 10.6-1b: Adopt Revised General Plan Policy SS-5.4 “Rancho Seco Nuclear Generating Station” to Address Public Safety Impacts:

To mitigate potential public safety impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following revised policy SS-5.4 “Rancho Seco Nuclear Generating Station” into the Final General Plan:

- Policy SS-5.4: Rancho Seco Nuclear Generating Station.** The City should coordinate efforts with Sacramento County to plan emergency evacuation routes in the event that the Rancho Seco Nuclear Generation Station becomes an active nuclear facility in the future *and to be prepared for accidental release of radioactive wastes that are currently stored at the facility.* *[Revised Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 10.6-1c: Adopt General Plan Policy SS-5.5 “Hazardous Materials Management” to Address Public Safety Impacts:

To mitigate potential public safety impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new policy SS-5.5 “Hazardous Materials Management” into the Final General Plan:

- **Policy SS-5.5: Hazardous Materials Management.** The City shall continue to cooperate with the County and the CCSF Fire Department in the identification of hazardous material users (both large and small scale) and in the development of an inspection process and hazardous materials management plan. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 10.6-1d: Adopt General Plan Policy SS-5.6 “Hazardous Materials Inventory” to Address Public Safety Impacts:

To mitigate potential public safety impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new policy SS-5.6 “Hazardous Materials Inventory” into the Final General Plan:

- **Policy SS-5.6: Hazardous Materials Inventory.** The City shall require, as appropriate and as a component of the environmental review process or business license review/building permit review a hazardous materials inventory for project sites, including an assessment of materials and operations for any development applications. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 10.6-1e: Adopt General Plan Policy SS-5.7 “Household Hazardous Waste Collection” to Address Public Safety Impacts:

To mitigate potential public safety impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new policy SS-5.7 “Household Hazardous Waste Collection” into the Final General Plan:

- **Policy SS-5.7: Household Hazardous Waste Collection.** The City should continue to provide opportunities for residents to conveniently dispose of household hazardous waste. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 10.6-1f: Adopt General Plan Policy SS-5.8 “Increase Public Awareness” to Address Public Safety Impacts:

To mitigate potential public safety impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new policy SS-5.8 “Increase Public Awareness” into the Final General Plan:

- **Policy SS-5.8: Increase Public Awareness.** The City shall continue to work with the appropriate waste disposal service provider to educate the public as to the types of household hazardous wastes and the proper methods of disposal. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 10.6-1g: Adopt General Plan Policy SS-5.9 “Hazardous Materials Studies” to Address Public Safety Impacts:

To mitigate potential public safety impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new policy SS-5.9 “Hazardous Materials Studies” into the Final General Plan:

- **Policy SS-5.9: Hazardous Materials Studies.** The City shall ensure that the proponents of applicable new development projects address hazardous materials concerns through the preparation of Phase I or Phase II hazardous materials studies for each identified site as part of the design phase for each project. Recommendations required to satisfy federal or State cleanup standards outlined in the studies will be implemented as part of the construction phase for each project. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 10.6-1h: Adopt General Plan Implementation Program SS-D to Address Public Safety Impacts:

To mitigate potential public safety impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new implementation program into the Final General Plan:

- **Implementation Program: SS-D: Use, Production, or Transport of Hazardous Materials and Wastes.** The City should develop siting and enforcement criteria for businesses that use, produce, or transport hazardous materials and wastes. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 4.2-3: Adopt General Plan Policy LU-1.15 “Caltrans Handbook Reference” to Address Airport Land Use Compatibility Impacts.

To mitigate airport land use compatibility impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new Policy LU-1.15 “Caltrans Handbook Reference” into the Final General Plan:

- **LU-1.15 Caltrans Handbook Reference:** When reviewing proposed projects within a one mile radius of an airport (such as Mustang Airport, if approved for public use), the City shall refer to the Caltrans Airport Land Use Planning Handbook (2002) in order to identify any potential safety compatibility concerns between the airport and the proposed land use. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 6.9-1: Adopt Revised General Plan Policy PFS-7.4 “Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Facilities” to Address Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Facilities Impacts:

To mitigate potential fire protection and emergency medical response impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following revised policy PFS-7.4 “Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Facilities” into the Final General Plan:

- PFS-7.4: Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Facilities: The City shall cooperate with CCSD in the development of a new master plan for fire and emergency medical facilities and services, which includes the City of Galt, and shall periodically review the city fire protection impact fee, based upon an updated Government Code 66000 (AB 1600) study to be completed by CCSD. In conjunction with the district, the City will review the City’s public safety special tax applicable to new development. *[Revised Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Special Mitigation Measures: None

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| IX. Hydrology and Water Quality. Would the project: | | | | | |
| a) Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements? | DEIR Sec. 8.2 Impact 8.2-2 | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| b) Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)? | DEIR Sec. 8.2 Impact 8.2-1 | NO | NO | NO | MM 8.2-1 SU |
| c) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site? | DEIR Sec. 6.4 Impact 6.4-1 | NO | NO | NO | MM 6.4-1a MM 6.4-1b |
| d) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site? | DEIR Sec. 6.4 Impact 6.4-1 | NO | NO | NO | MM 6.4-1a MM 6.4-1b |

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| e) Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff? | DEIR Sec. 6.4 Impact 6.4-2 Impact 6.4-5 | NO | NO | NO | MM 6.4-1a MM 6.4-1b |
| g) Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map? | DEIR Sec. 6.4 Impact 6.4-3 | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| h) Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows? | DEIR Sec. 6.4 Impact 6.4-3 | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| i) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam? | DEIR Sec. 6.4 Impact 6.4-4 | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| j) Inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow? | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |

Discussion: The analysis of hydrology and water quality impacts from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 was evaluated in Section 6.4, *Storm Drainage*, and Section 8.2, *Hydrology*, of the DEIR. As stated in DEIR Section 10.4, *Flooding*, flood impacts were addressed as part of the stormwater discussion in Section 6.4, *Storm Drainage*. All mitigation measures identified for significant impacts in the DEIR/FEIR and adopted by the City continue to remain the responsibility of the City as part of implementation of the General Plan. There has been no major hydrogeologic change in the project area since adoption of the FEIR. While there have been changes in the regulatory framework to protect water resources (NPDES requirements), these changes have acted to strengthen the protection of surface- and groundwater resources.

Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area, which would result in an increased demand on groundwater supplies for urban and rural uses within the City; increased potential for water contamination; an increase in impervious surfaces and thereby the amount and speed of runoff; and increased potential damage from flooding. However, the potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and any contribution to these impacts associated with the proposed SOI Amendment was included in the environmental analysis. General Plan policies, implementation programs, and mitigation measures listed below would address impacts to water quality and storm drainage for development in the project area, and no impacts not previously evaluated would be expected. In addition, the City of Galt has included commitments as part of the project application that would further minimize impacts from development in floodplain areas by compliance with the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP) (as adopted), and with the regulations of all other applicable federal, state, and local agencies. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR.

No major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR, nor has new information requiring analysis or verification been submitted. The proposed project would not result in additional water quality or stormwater effects or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy or Implementation Program:

Policies to reduce potential impacts to groundwater resources identified in Impact 8.2-1

| Public Facilities and Services Element |
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| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize groundwater impacts through the early identification of required infrastructure and the orderly construction and rehabilitation of the facilities needed to serve existing and planned urban areas include the following: |
| PFS-2.2 Groundwater Protection PFS-2.3 Ground Water Protection Response Plan Implementation Program PFS-D Water Supply Alternatives Implementation Program PFS-F Ground Water Protection Response Plan |
| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize this impact through the provision and conservation of water resources and service include the following: |
| PFS-2.8 Water Conservation PFS-2.9 Inter-Agency Water Conservation Implementation Program PFS-E Water Management Plan |

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to degradation of water quality identified in Impact 8.2-2

| Public Facilities and Services Element | Conservation and Open Space Element |
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| Policies designed to minimize water quality impacts associated with stormwater, water, and wastewater utility infrastructure needed to serve existing and planned urban areas include the following: | |
| PFS-3.1 Treatment Facilities Safety PFS-3.5 Sewer Enhancements PFS-3.6 Sewage Sludge PFS-3.7 Compliance with Clean Water Act PFS-4.2 Conservation/Stormwater PFS-4.3 Stormwater Quality PFS-4.4 Project Design PFS-4.5 Grading During the Rainy Season PFS-4.6 Erosion Control Plan PFS-4.7 Mitigating Stormwater Runoff | COS-1.5 Water Quality Control Board Regulations Compliance COS-1.6 Underground Storage Tank Law Compliance COS-1.7 Stormwater Quality Protection COS-1.12 Best Management Practices |

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to erosion and runoff identified in Impact 6.4-1, 6.4-2, and 6.4-5

| Public Facilities and Services Element |
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| Policies designed to minimize this water quality impact through adherence to appropriate best management practices designed to address soil erosion include the following: |
| PFS-4.3 Stormwater Quality PFS-4.4 Project Design PFS-4.5 Grading During the Rainy Season PFS-4.6 Erosion Control Plan PFS-4.7 Mitigating Stormwater Runoff |
| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize this impact through management of downstream channel capacities, and allow for development of the City's storm drainage system to prevent flooding include the following: |
| PFS-1.5 Public Facilities Master Plans PFS-1.6 Capital Improvement Program PFS-1.7 Public Facility Financing PFS-1.8 Ultimate Capacity Needs |

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| PFS-4.8 Joint Use of Detention Facilities PFS-4.9 Detention Requirements PFS-A Infrastructure Master Plans PFS-B Capital Improvement Program PFS-C Development Fee Schedule PFS-G Stormwater Management Plan PFS-H Stormwater and Flood Protection Ordinance |
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Policies to reduce potential impacts due to 100-year flood hazards identified in Impact 6.4-3

| Safety and Seismic & Land Use Elements | Conservation and Open Space Element |
|---|--|
| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize this impact through the preservation of floodplain areas and the management of new development in hazardous areas include the following: | |
| SS-3.1 Floodplain Mapping SS-3.2 Development in the 100-Year Floodplain SS-3.3 Natural Drainageways Enhancements LU-1.9 Growth in Hazard-Prone Areas | COS-1.1 Flood Control COS-1.2 Flood Protection Ordinance COS-1.4 Storm Flow Impacts COS-1.14 Floodplain Dedication COS-1.17 Floodplain Visual Accessibility COS-4.2 Natural Floodway Protection COS-4.4 Open Space Protection COS-A Flood Protection Ordinance |
| Policies designed to minimize this impact through the continued coordination with emergency response plans and service providers include the following: | |
| SS-1.1 City Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) SS-1.2 Inter-Agency Coordination | COS-1.3 Inter-Agency Coordination |
| Public Facilities and Services Element | |
| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize this impact through adherence to appropriate levels of stormwater infrastructure planning, financing and construction include the following: | |
| PFS-1.4 Financing from New Development PFS-1.5 Public Facility Master Plans PFS-1.6 Capital Improvement Program PFS-1.7 Public Facility Financing PFS-1.8 Ultimate Capacity Needs PFS-1.9 Fair Share Costs on New Developments PFS-1.10 Broad-Based Funding Sources PFS-1.11 Fiscal Impact Analysis for Specific Plans and Significant General Plan Amendments | PFS-4.1 Storm Drain Enhancements PFS-4.2 Conservation/Stormwater PFS-4.4 Project Design PFS-4.7 Mitigating Stormwater Runoff PFS-4.8 Joint Use of Detention Facilities PFS-4.9 Detention Requirements PFS-A Infrastructure Master Plans PFS-G Stormwater Management Plan PFS-H Stormwater and Flood Protection Ordinance |

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam identified in Impact 6.4-4

| Safety and Seismic & Land Use Elements | Conservation and Open Space Element |
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| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize this impact through the preservation of floodplain areas and the management of new development in hazardous areas include the following: | |
| SS-3.1 Floodplain Mapping SS-3.2 Development in the 100-Year Floodplain SS-3.3 Natural Drainageways Enhancements LU-1.9 Growth in Hazard-Prone Areas | COS-1.1 Flood Control COS-1.2 Flood Protection Ordinance COS-1.4 Storm Flow Impacts COS-1.14 Floodplain Dedication COS-1.17 Floodplain Visual Accessibility COS-4.2 Natural Floodway Protection COS-4.4 Open Space Protection COS-A Flood Protection Ordinance |

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| Policies designed to minimize this impact through the continued coordination with emergency response plans and service providers include the following: | |
| SS-1.1 City Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) | COS-1.3 Inter-Agency Coordination |
| SS-1.2 Inter-Agency Coordination | |
| Public Facilities and Services Element | |
| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize this impact through adherence to appropriate levels of stormwater infrastructure planning, financing and construction include the following: | |
| PFS-1.4 Financing from New Development PFS-1.5 Public Facility Master Plans PFS-1.6 Capital Improvement Program PFS-1.7 Public Facility Financing PFS-1.8 Ultimate Capacity Needs PFS-1.9 Fair Share Costs on New Developments PFS-1.10 Broad-Based Funding Sources PFS-1.11 Fiscal Impact Analysis for Specific Plans and Significant General Plan Amendments | PFS-4.1 Storm Drain Enhancements PFS-4.2 Conservation/Stormwater PFS-4.4 Project Design PFS-4.7 Mitigating Stormwater Runoff PFS-4.8 Joint Use of Detention Facilities PFS-4.9 Detention Requirements PFS-A Infrastructure Master Plans PFS-G Stormwater Management Plan PFS-H Stormwater and Flood Protection Ordinance |

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measure:

Mitigation Measure 8.2-1: Adopt General Plan Policy PFS-2.14 “Water Meter Retrofit Program” to Address Water Supply Impacts:

To mitigate water resource impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new policy PFS-2.14 “Water Meter Retrofit Program” into the Final General Plan:

- **Policy PFS-2.14 “Water Meter Retrofit Program”.** At the direction of the City Council, the City shall prepare and implement a water meter retrofit program (consistent with State requirements as indicated in AB 2572) whereby all existing non-metered connections would be retrofitted with a water meter to improve water conservation. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 6.4-1a: Adopt Revised General Plan Policy PFS-4.3 “Stormwater Quality” to Address Storm Drainage System Impacts:

To mitigate storm drainage system impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following revisions to Policy PFS-4.3 “Stormwater Quality” into the Final General Plan.

- **Policy PFS-4.3: Stormwater Quality.** The City shall ensure compliance with Federal and State clean water standards by *continuing to monitor and enforce provisions to control non-point source, and point source water pollution contained in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency NPDES program. (M&A)*

Mitigation Measure 6.4-1b: Adopt Revised General Plan Implementation Program PFS-G to Address Storm Drainage System Impacts:

To mitigate storm drainage system impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following revisions to Implementation Program PFS-G into the Final General Plan.

- **Implementation Program PFS-G: Stormwater Management Plan.** The City shall prepare, ~~and~~ periodically update, *and implement on an ongoing basis, its Stormwater Management Plan, in coordination with other member agencies. (M&A)*

Special Mitigation Measures: None

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| X. Land Use and Planning. Would the project: | | | | | |
| a) Physically divide an established community? | DEIR Sec. 4.2 Impact 4.2-1 | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| b) Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, Conditional Use Permit, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect? | DEIR Sec. 4.2 Impact 4.2-2 | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| c) Result in land uses that are not compatible with any applicable airport land use compatibility plan? | DEIR Sec. 4.2 Impact 4.2-3 | NO | NO | NO | MM 4.2-3 |
| d) Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan? | DEIR Sec. 4.2 Impact 4.2-4 | NO | NO | NO | NA |

Discussion: The analysis of impacts to land use from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 was evaluated in Section 4.2, *Land Use*, of the DEIR. All mitigation measures identified for significant impacts in the DEIR/FEIR and adopted by the City continue to remain the responsibility of the City as part of implementation of the General Plan. At the time of adoption of the FEIR (April 2009), the project area consisted of predominantly agricultural-residential uses, open space, limited industrial, and small areas of expanding commercial uses. These general uses have not changed since adoption of the FEIR. Sacramento County is currently in the process of updating its General Plan, last adopted in 1993. The General Plan Update will address growth in the next planning cycle (2005-2030). The update process is currently ongoing, with the Draft EIR for the 2030 General Plan released in May 2009. The April 13, 2009 General Plan Land Use Diagram shows the same land use designations in the Galt SOI Amendment project area as those depicted in Figure 4. A series of preliminary adoption hearings were held at the County Planning Commission to review and receive comments on the General Plan. With the conclusion of hearings before the Sacramento County Planning Commission on February 17, 2010, preparation of the Final EIR began and the Draft 2030 General Plan was forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for final adoption hearings. However, until the 2030 General Plan is adopted, no changes in County land use regulations would occur. Therefore, there have been no changes in the regulatory framework in regard to land use in the project area.

Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area, which could result in the potential division of an established community or conflicts with other adopted plans. However, the potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and any contribution to these impacts associated with the proposed SOI Amendment was included in the environmental analysis. General Plan policies, implementation programs, and mitigation measures listed below would address impacts to land use for development in the project area, and no impacts not previously evaluated would be expected. In addition, the City of Galt has included commitments as part of the project application that requires demonstrating participation with the South Sacramento County Habitat Conservation Plan or providing mitigation consistent with the requirements of State and Federal regulatory authorities regarding impacts to special habitats and endangered species, and consultation with the Sacramento Area

Council of Governments (SACOG) regarding the Regional Blueprint. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR.

No major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR, nor has new information requiring analysis or verification been submitted. The proposed project would not result in additional land use effects or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy or Implementation Program:

Policies to reduce potential impacts from physically dividing an established community identified in Impact 4.2-1

| Land Use Element | Community Character Element |
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| Policies designed to minimize any potential impact of dividing the physical arrangement of an established community by ensuring that growth occurs in an organized manner including the following: | |
| LU-1.1 Phased Development LU-1.2 Proposed Development Consistency LU-1.6 Orderly Growth LU-1.8 Infrastructure LU-1.12 Zoning Consistency LU-1.13 Smart Growth Principles LU-1.15 Innovative Design for Planned Unit Development and Specific Plans | CC-1.2 Neighborhood Integrity |
| Land Use Element | Circulation Element |
| Policies designed to integrate needed infrastructure with future proposed land uses to help minimize land use impacts include the following: | |
| LU-1.3 Annexation Areas LU-1.4 Annexation Requirements LU-1.5 Sphere of Influence (SOI) Boundaries LU-1.9 Growth in Hazard-Prone Areas | C-1.1 Consistency with Land Use Element C-1.4 Connectivity C-1.6 Specific Gateway Enhancements C-3.1 Through Traffic |

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to conflicts with adopted land use plans identified in Impact 4.2-2

| Land Use Element | Conservation and Open Space Element |
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| Policies designed to minimize this impact through the continued coordination with federal, State, and other local agencies (regulatory and non-regulatory) responsible for addressing regional environmental issues include the following: | |
| LU-1.10 South Sacramento County Habitat Conservation Plan LU-8.1 Greenbelt | COS-1.5 Water Quality Control Board Regulations Compliance COS-5.6 SMAQMD Coordination COS-1.9 Streambed Alteration Watershed Regulations Compliance COS-7.2: Statewide Global Warming Solutions Support |
| Land Use Element | Circulation Element |
| Policies designed to minimize any potential impact of dividing the physical arrangement of an established community by ensuring that growth occurs in an organized manner include the following: | |
| LU-1.1 Phased Development LU-1.2 Proposed Development Consistency LU-1.6 Orderly Growth LU-1.8 Infrastructure | C-2.1 State Route 99 Widening C-2.2 Access to Employment Centers C.7-2 Inter-Agency Coordination |

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| LU-1.12 Zoning Consistency LU-1.13 Smart Growth Principals LU-1.15 Innovative Design for Planned Unit Development and Specific Plans | |
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Policies to reduce potential impacts due to conflicts with an airport land use compatibility plan identified in Impact 4.2-3

| Land Use and Circulation Elements | Safety and Seismic Element |
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| Policies designed to minimize this impact through the continued coordination with federal, State, and other local agencies (regulatory and non-regulatory) responsible for addressing regional environmental issues include the following: | |
| LU-1.9 Growth in Hazard-Prone Areas C-7.2 Inter-Agency Coordination | SS-1.2 Inter-Agency Coordination |

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to conflicts with an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan or Natural Community Conservation Plan identified in Impact 4.2-4

| Conservation and Open Space Element |
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| Policies designed to minimize this impact through the continued coordination with federal, State, and other local agencies (regulatory and non-regulatory) responsible for addressing regional environmental issues include the following: |
| COS-2.4 Federal, State, and Local Statutes Compliance COS-2.5 Mitigation Measures Imposition COS-2.7 Regional Habitat Conservation Efforts Coordination |

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measures:

Mitigation Measure 4.2-3: Adopt General Plan Policy LU-1.15 “Caltrans Handbook Reference” to Address Airport Land Use Compatibility Impacts.

To mitigate airport land use compatibility impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new Policy LU-1.15 “Caltrans Handbook Reference” into the Final General Plan.

- **LU-1.15 Caltrans Handbook Reference:** When reviewing proposed projects within a one mile radius of an airport (Mustang Airport, if approved for public use), the City shall refer to the Caltrans Airport Land Use Planning Handbook (2002) in order to identify any potential safety compatibility concerns between the airport and the proposed land use. *[New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Special Mitigation Measures: None

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| XI. Mineral Resources/Energy. Would the project | | | | | |
| a) Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state? | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| b) Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, Conditional Use Permit or other land use plan? | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| c) Result in a wasteful or inefficient use of energy? | DEIR Sect. 6.6 Impact 6.6-1 | NO | NO | NO | NA |

Discussion: A discussion of geology and soil impacts from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 was evaluated in Section 8.4, *Soils and Agricultural Resources*, and Section 10.3, *Geology and Seismic Hazards*, of the DEIR. No explicit discussion of mineral resources was included, since there are none identified in the City. No impacts to mineral resources were identified in the DEIR/FEIR, and no mitigation measures were identified or adopted by the City. No changes in the project or its circumstances with respect to mineral resources have occurred since certification of the FEIR, nor has new information regarding mineral resources requiring analysis or verification been submitted. No additional mitigation would be required.

Impacts due to the inefficient use of energy from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 were evaluated in Section 6.6, *Gas and Electric*, of the DEIR. Impacts due to the wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy by residential, commercial, industrial, or public uses were found to be less than significant in the DEIR/FEIR, and no mitigation measures were identified or adopted by the City. There have been no major changes to energy use in the project area since adoption of the FEIR, nor have there been changes in the regulatory framework.

Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area, which could result in an increase in the City's population and an increase in the demand for additional energy. However, the potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and any contribution to these impacts associated with the proposed SOI Amendment was included in the environmental analysis. General Plan policies and implementation programs listed below would address impacts due to the inefficient or wasteful use of energy for development in the project area, and no impacts not previously evaluated would be expected. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR.

No major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR, nor has new information requiring analysis or verification been submitted. The proposed project would not result in additional impacts due to the inefficient or wasteful use of energy or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy or Implementation Programs:

| Conservation and Open Space Element | |
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| Policies designed to minimize this impact through the continued provision of solid waste services and recycling activities include the following: | |
| COS-7.4 Energy Efficient Development COS-7.5 Building Design and Components COS-7.6 Sustainable Design COS-7.7 Energy Efficient Design Techniques in Specific Plans COS-7.8 Energy Efficient Manufactured Homes COS-7.9 City Facilities | COS-7.13 Renewable Technology Industries Recruitment COS-7.14 Energy Planner Coordination COS-7.15 New Tree Selection and Location COS-7.16 EPA Energy Star Certified Appliances COS-7.17 Developer and Builder Energy Provider Coordination |

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| COS-7.10 Renewable Energy Incentive Programs COS-7.11 Solar Photovoltaic System Incentive Programs COS-7.12 Residential Rehabilitations and Improvements | COS-7-18 Energy Workshops COS-7.19 Expedited Review for Installing Photovoltaic Systems COS-7.20 Incentives |
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DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measures: None

Special Mitigation Measures: None

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| XII. Noise. Would the project result in: | | | | | |
| a) Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies? | DEIR Sec. 10.2 Impact 10.2-1 | NO | NO | NO | None Available – SU |
| b) Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels? | DEIR Sec. 10.2 Impact 10.2-2 | NO | NO | NO | None Available – SU |
| c) A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project? | DEIR Sec. 10.2 Impact 10.2-1 | NO | NO | NO | None Available – SU |
| d) A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project? | DEIR Sec. 10.2 Impact 10.2-1 | NO | NO | NO | None Available – SU |
| e) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels? | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| f) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels? | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |

Discussion: The analysis of noise impacts from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 project was evaluated in Section 10.2, *Noise*, of the DEIR. Because the General Plan study area is located six miles east of Franklin Field and one and a half miles south of Mustang Airport, airport related noise impacts were not considered in the DEIR. (Safety hazards in airport land use areas, are addressed in Section VIII, *Hazards and Hazardous Materials*.) Impacts due to noise from all other sources were found to be significant and unavoidable, with no feasible mitigation available beyond the policies proposed in the 2030 General Plan. There has been no major change in the noise setting in the project area since adoption of the FEIR. Further, there have been no changes in the regulatory framework for noise in the project area.

Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area. Urbanization of the project area would result in noise impacts such as temporary short-term construction noise and operational impacts from on-road mobile vehicles travelling along local roadways, siting residential land uses near railroad operations, and the siting of new industrial uses that can result in increased heavy truck and rail traffic and the use of noise-generating equipment. Buildout of the SOI Amendment area may expose more people to groundborne vibration. The project area may also locate commercial, office, and high density residential land uses within less than one mile of Mustang Airport, a private use airport that has applied for public airport status. However, the potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and noise impacts associated with the future urbanization of the SOI Amendment area were included in the environmental analysis. General Plan policies, implementation programs, and the mitigation measures listed below would address impacts due to noise for development in the project area, and no impacts not previously evaluated would be expected. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR.

No major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR, nor has new information requiring analysis or verification been submitted. The proposed project would not result in additional noise effects or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy and Implementation Programs:

Policies to reduce potential impacts from noise identified in Impacts 10.2-1 and 10.2-2

| Noise Element | |
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| Policies designed to provide guidance on the analysis, mitigation and monitoring of a variety of noise-related impacts that could occur within the Study Area include the following: | |
| N-1.1: Noise-Generating Uses N-1.2: Noise Mitigation N-1.3: Neighborhood Noise Protection N-1.4: Noise Level Performance Standards N-1.5: "Noise-Impacted" Designation N-1.6: Noise-Sensitive Land Separation | N-1.7: EIR Acoustical Analyses N-1.9: Sound Attenuation Features N-1.11: Land Use Compatibility N-1.12: City Equipment/Noise Element Compliance N-1.15: Noise Compatibility Guidelines N-1.17: Zoning Ordinance Consistency |
| Policies designed to minimize construction-related noise impacts in the Study Area include the following: | |
| N-13: Construction Noise N-14: Limiting Construction Activities | |
| Policies designed to minimize mobile or transportation-related noise impacts in the Study Area include the following: | |
| N-1.8: Coordination with Caltrans N-1.10: Noise Buffering N-1.16: Muffler Enforcement | |

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measure: None available

Special Mitigation Measures: None

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| XIII. Population and Housing. Would the project: | | | | | |
| a) Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)? | DEIR Sec. 12.1 | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| b) Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere? | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| c) Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere? | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |

Discussion: As stated in Chapter 7.0, Housing, of the DEIR, the City's 2008 Housing Element is being updated separately and will undergo its own CEQA compliance phase upon completion of the element. An Administrative Draft of the 2008 Housing Element is expected by the end of the year; until adoption of the 2008 Housing Element, the City will continue to operate under the 2002 Housing Element. Growth inducing effects from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 were evaluated in Section 12.1, *Growth Inducing Effects of the Proposed Project*, of the DEIR. The project area is currently under the land use jurisdiction of Sacramento County. As described in Section X, *Land Use and Planning*, above, Sacramento County is currently in the process of updating its General Plan to address growth in the next planning cycle (2005-2030). The April 13, 2009 General Plan Land Use Diagram shows the same land use designations in the Galt SOI Amendment project area as those depicted in Figure 4. However, until the 2030 General Plan is adopted, no changes in County land use regulations would occur. The Galt General Plan Update: 2030 is specifically intended to plan for the orderly growth of Galt and its sphere of influence, define the limits of that growth, and act as a mechanism to accommodate future managed growth. While the General Plan would result in an increase of growth locally, the policies included as part of the General Plan would reduce the potential for negative impacts associated with directly induced growth. Overall, implementation of the General Plan would potentially encourage growth, given the regional pressures for housing and Galt's desire to increase its tax base with new commercial uses. There have been no major changes to growth trends in the project area since adoption of the FEIR, nor have there been changes in the regulatory framework. Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area, which represents direct growth north of the City. However, the potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and any contribution to these impacts associated with the proposed SOI Amendment was included in the environmental analysis. General Plan policies would similarly help guide orderly growth and development, and no impacts not previously evaluated would be expected. In addition, the City of Galt has included commitments as part of the project application that would require confirmation that any development planned for the area to be annexed is consistent with the adopted Galt 2030 General Plan Housing Element. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR.

No major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR, nor has new information requiring analysis or verification been submitted. The proposed project would not result in additional impacts due to growth inducement or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy or Implementation Programs: None specified

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measures: None

Special Mitigation Measures: None

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| XIV. Public Services. Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services: | | | | | |
| a. Fire protection? | DEIR Sec. 6.9 Impact 6.9-1 | NO | NO | YES | MM 6.9-1 SU |
| b. Police protection? | DEIR Sec. 6.8 Impact 6.8-1 | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| c. Schools? | DEIR Sec. 6.11 Impact 6.11-1 | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| d. Parks? | DEIR Sec. 6.12 Impact 6.12-1 | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| e. Other public facilities? | DEIR Sec. 6.10 Impact 6.10-1 | NO | NO | NO | NA |

Discussion: Impacts to public services from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 were evaluated in Section 6.8, *Law Enforcement*, Section 6.9, *Fire Protection*, Section 6.10, *Community Facilities*, Section 6.11, *Public Schools*, and Section 6.12, *Parks*, of the DEIR. All mitigation measures identified for significant impacts in the DEIR/FEIR and adopted by the City continue to remain the responsibility of the City as part of implementation of the General Plan. There have been no major changes to public services in the project area since adoption of the FEIR, nor have there been changes in the regulatory framework.

Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area, which would result in increased demand for public services. However, the potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and any contribution to these impacts associated with the proposed SOI Amendment was included in the environmental analysis. General Plan policies, implementation programs, and mitigation measures listed below would address impacts to public services for development in the project area, and no impacts not previously evaluated would be expected. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR.

The Cosumnes Community Services District Fire Department (CCSDFD) identified a variety of staffing, facility improvements (including new stations), and equipment needs that would be required to address the provision of adequate levels of service based on anticipated growth resulting from implementation of the General Plan. Since staffing and facility needs identified by the CCSDFD would also require cooperation and funding from a variety of entities outside of the City (including the City

of Elk Grove, County of Sacramento, CCSD), implementation of these improvements could not be guaranteed solely through the City's actions. Therefore, at the time of DEIR preparation it was determined that implementation of the General Plan including the adoption of the revised policy provided in Mitigation Measure 6.9-1 (listed below) would still result in a significant and unavoidable impact. Sacramento County LAFCo Policies, Standards, and Procedures require that proposed annexations be consistent with applicable service elements of the Sphere of Influence of the City and that adequate services be provided within the time frame needed for the inhabitants of the annexation area (Section I, Standard Number 4). As identified in the City's Municipal Services Review (MSR), the CCSD has a current Strategic Plan (2009-2014) that helps guide mid- and long-term planning efforts for facility siting and operations. As requested by the CCSD, the City of Galt identified areas for future fire stations that would service the proposed SOI Amendment area in the 2030 Galt General Plan. Construction of necessary fire protection facilities would occur concurrent with future development of the SOI Amendment area as outlined by the policies addressing station distribution and concentration in the CCSD Strategic Plan. These policies were put in place to ensure that there are, and would continue to be, adequate fire and rescue services in the Cosumnes Fire service area. Therefore, any proposed annexation by the City within the SOI Amendment area would result in the provision of adequate fire protection services consistent with LAFCo provisions. Because the underlying status of fire protection services has changed since certification of the FEIR, the impact to fire protection services would be less than significant with General Plan policies and implementation programs in addition to required mitigation included below.

No major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR. Since certification of the FEIR, the City's MSR shows that adequate fire protection services can be provided to the SOI Amendment project area, and impacts due to adverse effects to the provision fire protection services have been reduced from significant and unavoidable to less than significant levels. The proposed project would not result in additional public service effects or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy or Implementation Program:

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to increased need or use of law enforcement facilities identified in Impact 6.8-1

| Public Facilities and Services Element | |
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| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize this impact through the continued provision of police services include the following: | |
| PFS-1.1 General Financing PFS-1.2 Availability of Facilities and Services PFS-1.3 Capital Improvements Programs (CIP) PFS-1.4 Financing from New Development PFS-1.5 Public Facility Master Plans PFS-1.6 Capital Improvement Program PFS-1.7 Public Facility Financing PFS-1.8 Ultimate Capacity Needs PFS-1.9 Fair Share Costs on New Developments PFS-1.10 Broad-Based Funding Sources PFS-1.11 Fiscal Impact Analysis for Specific Plans and Significant General Plan Amendments | PFS-6.1 Neighborhood Security PFS-6.2 Police Protection PFS-6.3 Maintaining Service Standards PFS-6.4 Reducing Crime through Site Design PFS-6.5 Police Facility Funding PFS-7.1 Fire Protection PFS-7.1 Local Access to Fire Services PFS-7.3 Fire Code PFS-7.4 Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Facilities PFS-I Public Safety Services Master Plan |

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to increased need or use of fire protection facilities identified in Impact 6.9-1

| Public Facilities and Services Element |
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| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize this impact through the continued provision of fire protection services and emergency response planning include the following: |
| PFS-7.1 Fire Protection PFS-7.2 Local Access to Fire Services PFS-7.3 Fire Code |

PFS-7.4 Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Facilities
 PFS-7.5 Traffic Control and Calming Measures
 PFS-J New Fire Substations

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to increased need or use of existing community facilities identified in Impact 6.10-1

| Public Facilities and Services Element | |
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| Policies and Implementation Programs designed to minimize this impact through the continued provision of community facilities include the following: | |
| PFS-1.1 General Financing PFS-1.2 Availability of Facilities and Services PFS-1.3 Capital Improvements Programs (CIP) PFS-1.4 Financing from New Development PFS-1.5 Public Facility Master Plans PFS-1.6 Capital Improvement Program PFS-1.7 Public Facility Financing | PFS-1.8 Ultimate Capacity Needs PFS-1.9 Fair Share Costs on New Developments PFS-1.10 Broad-Based Funding Sources PFS-1.11 Fiscal Impact Analysis for Specific Plans and Significant General Plan Amendments Policy PFS-8.13 Performing Arts Center Implementation Program PFS-B: Capital Improvement Program Implementation Program PFS-C: Development Fee Schedule |

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to increased need or use of existing school facilities identified in Impact 6.11-1

| Public Facilities and Services Element |
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| Policies designed to minimize this impact through the continued provision of school services include the following: |
| PFS-9.1 Development Coordination PFS-9.2 School Locations PFS-9.3 Accessibility to Residential Uses PFS-9.4 Coordination with Land Use Planning PFS-9.5 Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety and Access PFS-9.6 School Off-Street Parking and Pick-Up/Drop-Off Areas |

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to increased need or use of existing school facilities identified in Impact 6.12-1

| Public Facilities and Services Element | |
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| Policies and Implementation Programs designed to minimize this impact through the continued provision of park services include the following: | |
| PFS-1.1 General Financing PFS-1.2 Availability of Facilities and Services PFS-1.3 Capital Improvements Programs (CIP) PFS-1.4 Financing from New Development PFS-1.5 Public Facility Master Plans PFS-1.6 Capital Improvement Program PFS-1.7 Public Facility Financing PFS-1.8 Ultimate Capacity Needs PFS-1.9 Fair Share Costs on New Developments PFS-1.10 Broad-Based Funding Sources PFS-1.11 Fiscal Impact Analysis for Specific Plans and Significant General Plan Amendments Policy PFS-8.1 Parks/Resident Ratio | PFS-8.2 Dry Creek and Deadman Gulch Recreation Areas PFS-8.3 Park/Recreation Master Plan PFS-8.4 Joint Use of Parks PFS-8.5 Parks/Recreation Funding PFS-8.6 Galt Market Revenue PFS-8.7 Park Design Factors PFS-8.8 Service Clubs PFS-8.9 Park Siting PFS-8.10 Crime Prevention PFS-8.11 Park Linkages PFS-8.13 Performing Arts Center Implementation Program PFS-K |

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measures:

Mitigation Measure 6.9-1: Adopt Revised General Plan Policy PFS-7.4 “Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Facilities” to Address Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Facilities Impacts:

To mitigate potential fire protection and emergency medical response impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following revised policy PFS-7.4 “Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Facilities” into the Final General Plan:

- **PFS-7.4: Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Facilities:** The City shall cooperate with CCSD in the development of a new master plan for fire and emergency medical facilities and services, which includes the City of Galt, and shall periodically review the city fire protection impact fee, based upon an updated Government Code 66000 (AB 1600) study to be completed by CCSD. In conjunction with the district, the City will review the City’s public safety special tax applicable to new development. *[Revised Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Special Mitigation Measures: None

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| XV. Recreation. | | | | | |
| a) Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated? | DEIR Sec. 6.12 Impact 6.12-1 | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| b) Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment? | Multiple DEIR Sections | NO | NO | NO | NA |

Discussion: Impacts to recreation from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 were evaluated in Section 6.12, *Parks*, of the DEIR. Impacts to the environment from the construction of recreational facilities are evaluated in many sections the DEIR and considered in the DEIR’s analysis of the overall urbanization of the General Plan area. Impacts to recreation resources were found to be less than significant in the DEIR/FEIR, and no mitigation measures were identified or adopted by the City. There have been no major changes to parks and recreation services in the project area since adoption of the FEIR, nor have there been changes in the regulatory framework.

Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area, which would result in increased demand for parks and recreation resources. However, the potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and any contribution to these impacts associated with the proposed SOI Amendment was included in the environmental analysis. General Plan policies and implementation programs listed below would address impacts to parks and recreation for development in the project area, and no impacts not previously evaluated would be expected. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR.

No major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR, nor has new information requiring analysis or verification been submitted. The proposed project would not result in additional park and recreation effects or represent a substantial increase in

the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy or Implementation Programs:

| Public Facilities and Services Element | |
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| Policies and Implementation Programs designed to minimize this impact through the continued provision of park services include the following: | |
| PFS-1.1 General Financing PFS-1.2 Availability of Facilities and Services PFS-1.3 Capital Improvements Programs (CIP) PFS-1.4 Financing from New Development PFS-1.5 Public Facility Master Plans PFS-1.6 Capital Improvement Program PFS-1.7 Public Facility Financing PFS-1.8 Ultimate Capacity Needs PFS-1.9 Fair Share Costs on New Developments PFS-1.10 Broad-Based Funding Sources PFS-1.11 Fiscal Impact Analysis for Specific Plans and Significant General Plan Amendments Policy PFS-8.1 Parks/Resident Ratio | PFS-8.2 Dry Creek and Deadman Gulch Recreation Areas PFS-8.3 Park/Recreation Master Plan PFS-8.4 Joint Use of Parks PFS-8.5 Parks/Recreation Funding PFS-8.6 Galt Market Revenue PFS-8.7 Park Design Factors PFS-8.8 Service Clubs PFS-8.9 Park Siting PFS-8.10 Crime Prevention PFS-8.11 Park Linkages PFS-8.13 Performing Arts Center Implementation Program PFS-K |

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measures: None

Special Mitigation Measures: None

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| XVI. Transportation/Traffic. Would the project: | | | | | |
| a) Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit? | DEIR Sec. 5.0 Impact 5.2-1 | NO | NO | NO | None Available – SU |

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| b) Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including, but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways? | DEIR Sec. 5.0 Impact 5.2-2 Impact 5.2-3 | NO | NO | NO | None Available – SU |
| c) Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks? | NA | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| d) Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)? | NA | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| e) Result in inadequate emergency access? | NA | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| f) Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities? | DEIR Sec. 5.0 Impact 5.2-4 Impact 5.2-5 | NO | NO | NO | NA |

Discussion: The analysis of transportation and circulation impacts from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 project was evaluated in Section 5.2, *Circulation and Transportation*, of the DEIR. Because Impact 5.2-2, Impact 5.2-4, and Impact 5.2-5 were found to be less than significant, no mitigation measures were required. Impacts due to increases in traffic that are substantial in relation to the existing traffic load and capacity of the street system, and impacts due to increases in traffic that would exceed the level of service established by the City on facilities that connect with regional facilities were found to be significant and unavoidable, with no feasible mitigation available beyond the policies proposed in the 2030 General Plan. Even though there may have been minor changes in the regulatory framework related to transportation and circulation since adoption of the FEIR, 2030 General Plan policies would still apply, and transportation and circulation impacts would not be affected.

Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area. Urbanization of the project area would result in circulation and transportation impacts at some intersections and roadway facilities where it is not possible to achieve the City's desired level of service (DEIR Section 5.2, Tables 5-6 and 5-7 identify impacted intersections, including regional interchanges). Urbanization of the project area may also require that additional parking be provided for new development to ensure adequate parking is available and alternative transportation modes to support adopted policies and programs for transportation alternatives. The potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and transportation and circulation impacts associated with the future urbanization of the SOI Amendment area were included in the environmental analysis. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR. Further, the project would be subject to several policies to reduce potential transportation effects as summarized below. In addition, the City of Galt has included commitments as part of the project application that could reduce traffic related impacts by requiring consultation with the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) regarding the Regional Blueprint and consistency with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan.

No major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR, nor has new information requiring analysis or verification been submitted. The proposed project would not introduce additional transportation and circulation impacts from those previously identified or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy and Implementation Programs:

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to increase in traffic identified in Impact 5.2-1

| Circulation Element | |
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| Policies designed to minimize circulation and transportation impacts through the establishment of design and LOS standards for a variety of circulation and transportation modes include the following: | |
| C-1.2 Street Planning, Design, and Regulations C-1.3 Level of Services C-1.8 Roadway Enhancements C-1.9 Traffic Impact Analysis and Funding | C-6.6 On-Street Bicycle Paths C-6.8 Pedestrian Ways - Citywide C-6.9 Pedestrian Ways – New Development C-6.10 Crosswalks and Pedestrian Safety Measures |
| Policies designed to support a variety of roadway improvements to help reduce local and regional traffic congestion include the following: | |
| C-2.1 State Route 99 Widening C-2.3 Central Galt Interchange C-2.4 Amador Avenue – Simmerhorn Road Interchange | C-2.5 Walnut Avenue Interchange C-2.6 Carillion Boulevard Extension C-2.7 Industrial Drive Extension |
| Land Use Element | Circulation Element |
| Policies designed to integrate land use and circulation concepts during the early planning and design phases of Citywide development to minimize land use conflicts include the following: | |
| LU-1.1 Phased Development LU-1.3 Annexation Areas LU-1.4 Annexation Requirements LU-1.6 Orderly Growth LU-1.8 Infrastructure LU-2.3 Smart Growth Principles | C-1.1 Consistency with Land Use Element C-1.4 Connectivity C-5.1 Bus Transit C-5.5 Rail Transit C-6.1 Bike and Pedestrian Path System C-6.2 Regional Bikeway Connections C-6.3 Integrated Bike System C-6.7 Pedestrian Trail Systems |
| Conservation and Open Space Element | |
| Policies designed to reduce the use of single-occupancy vehicles to help reduce air quality and circulation impacts include the following: | |
| COS-6.2 Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities COS-6.3 Employer Programs | COS-6.6 Traffic Calming Measures |
| Public Facilities and Services Element | |
| Policies designed to minimize this impact through adherence to appropriate levels of infrastructure planning, financing, and construction include the following: | |
| PFS-1.1 General Financing PFS-1.2 Availability of Facilities and Services PFS-1.3: Capital Improvements Programs (CIP) PFS-1.4: Financing from New Development PFS-1.5: Public Facility Master Plans PFS-1.6: Capital Improvement Program | PFS-1.7: Public Facility Financing PFS-1.8: Ultimate Capacity Needs PFS-1.9: Fair Share Costs on New Developments PFS-1.10: Broad-Based Funding Sources PFS-1.11: Fiscal Impact Analysis for Specific Plans and Significant General Plan Amendments |

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to traffic levels exceeding level of service standards on facilities that do not connect with regional facilities identified in Impact 5.2-2

| Circulation Element | |
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| Policies designed to minimize circulation and transportation impacts through the establishment of design and LOS standards for a variety of circulation and transportation modes include the following: | |
| C-1.2 Street Planning, Design, and Regulations C-1.3 Level of Services C-1.8 Roadway Enhancements C-1.9 Traffic Impact Analysis and Funding | C-6.6 On-Street Bicycle Paths C-6.8 Pedestrian Ways - Citywide C-6.9 Pedestrian Ways – New Development C-6.10 Crosswalks and Pedestrian Safety Measures |
| Policies designed to support a variety of roadway improvements to help reduce local and regional traffic congestion include the following: | |
| C-2.1 State Route 99 Widening C-2.3 Central Galt Interchange C-2.4 Amador Avenue – Simmerhorn Road Interchange | C-2.5 Walnut Avenue Interchange C-2.6 Carillion Boulevard Extension C-2.7 Industrial Drive Extension |
| Land Use Element | Circulation Element |
| Policies designed to integrate land use and circulation concepts during the early planning and design phases of Citywide development to minimize land use conflicts include the following: | |
| LU-1.1 Phased Development LU-1.3 Annexation Areas LU-1.4 Annexation Requirements LU-1.6 Orderly Growth LU-1.8 Infrastructure LU-2.3 Smart Growth Principles | C-1.1 Consistency with Land Use Element C-1.4 Connectivity C-5.1 Bus Transit C-5.5 Rail Transit C-6.1 Bike and Pedestrian Path System C-6.2 Regional Bikeway Connections C-6.3 Integrated Bike System C-6.7 Pedestrian Trail Systems |
| Conservation and Open Space Element | |
| Policies designed to reduce the use of single-occupancy vehicles to help reduce air quality and circulation impacts include the following: | |
| COS-6.2 Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities COS-6.3 Employer Programs | COS-6.6 Traffic Calming Measures |

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to traffic levels exceeding level of service standards on facilities that connect with regional facilities identified in Impact 5.2-3

| Circulation Element | |
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| Policies designed to minimize circulation and transportation impacts through the establishment of design and LOS standards for a variety of circulation and transportation modes include the following: | |
| C-1.2 Street Planning, Design, and Regulations C-1.3 Level of Services C-1.8 Roadway Enhancements C-1.9 Traffic Impact Analysis and Funding | C-6.6 On-Street Bicycle Paths C-6.8 Pedestrian Ways - Citywide C-6.9 Pedestrian Ways – New Development C-6.10 Crosswalks and Pedestrian Safety Measures |
| Policies designed to support a variety of roadway improvements to help reduce local and regional traffic congestion include the following: | |
| C-2.1 State Route 99 Widening C-2.3 Central Galt Interchange C-2.4 Amador Avenue – Simmerhorn Road Interchange | C-2.5 Walnut Avenue Interchange C-2.6 Carillion Boulevard Extension C-2.7 Industrial Drive Extension |

| Land Use Element | Circulation Element |
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| Policies designed to integrate land use and circulation concepts during the early planning and design phases of Citywide development to minimize land use conflicts include the following: | |
| LU-1.1 Phased Development LU-1.3 Annexation Areas LU-1.4 Annexation Requirements LU-1.6 Orderly Growth LU-1.8 Infrastructure LU-2.3 Smart Growth Principles | C-1.1 Consistency with Land Use Element C-1.4 Connectivity C-5.1 Bus Transit C-5.5 Rail Transit C-6.1 Bike and Pedestrian Path System C-6.2 Regional Bikeway Connections C-6.3 Integrated Bike System C-6.7 Pedestrian Trail Systems |
| Conservation and Open Space Element | |
| Policies designed to reduce the use of single-occupancy vehicles to help reduce air quality and circulation impacts include the following: | |
| COS-6.2 Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities COS-6.3 Employer Programs | COS-6.6 Traffic Calming Measures |
| Public Facilities and Services Element | |
| Policies designed to minimize this impact through adherence to appropriate levels of infrastructure planning, financing, and construction include the following: | |
| PFS-1.1 General Financing PFS-1.2 Availability of Facilities and Services PFS-1.3: Capital Improvements Programs (CIP) PFS-1.4: Financing from New Development PFS-1.5: Public Facility Master Plans PFS-1.6: Capital Improvement Program | PFS-1.7: Public Facility Financing PFS-1.8: Ultimate Capacity Needs PFS-1.9: Fair Share Costs on New Developments PFS-1.10: Broad-Based Funding Sources PFS-1.11: Fiscal Impact Analysis for Specific Plans and Significant General Plan Amendments |
| Policies to reduce potential impacts due to inadequate parking capacity identified in Impact 5.2-4 | |
| Circulation Element | |
| Policies designed to minimize parking impacts through the implementation of adequate parking standards include the following: | |
| C-4.1 Adequate Parking C-4.2 Parking Standards – General C-4.3 Pedestrian Safety | C-4.5 Visual Impacts C-4.6 Shared Parking C-4.7 Over-Sized Parking Lots |
| Policies to reduce potential impacts due to conflicts with adopted policies supporting alternative transportation identified in Impact 5.2-5 | |
| Circulation Element | |
| Policies designed to minimize circulation and transportation impacts through the establishment of design and LOS standards for a variety of circulation and transportation modes include the following: | |
| C-1.2 Street Planning, Design, and Regulations C-1.3 Level of Services C-1.8 Roadway Enhancements C-1.9 Traffic Impact Analysis and Funding | C-6.6 On-Street Bicycle Paths C-6.8 Pedestrian Ways - Citywide C-6.9 Pedestrian Ways – New Development C-6.10 Crosswalks and Pedestrian Safety Measures |
| Land Use Element | Circulation Element |
| Policies designed to integrate land use and circulation concepts during the early planning and design phases of Citywide development to minimize land use conflicts include the following: | |
| LU-1.1 Phased Development LU-1.3 Annexation Areas | C-1.1 Consistency with Land Use Element C-1.4 Connectivity |

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| LU-1.4 Annexation Requirements LU-1.6 Orderly Growth LU-1.8 Infrastructure LU-2.3 Smart Growth Principles | C-4.3 Pedestrian Safety C-5.1 Bus Transit C-5.2 Bus Turnouts, Stops, and Shelter C-5.3 ADA Compliance C-5.4 Family Transit Needs C-5.5 Rail Transit C-5.6 Park-n-Ride Facilities C-5.7 Transit Plan C-6.1 Bike and Pedestrian Path System C-6.2 Regional Bikeway Connections C-6.3 Integrated Bike System C-6.4 Bikeway Linkages to Attractions Outside of Galt C-6.5 Bicycle Parking C-6.7 Pedestrian Trail Systems C-6.11 Bike and Pedestrian Railroad Crossings C-8.1 Attractive Streets C-8.2 Bikeways along Major Streets C-8.3 Street, Pedestrian, and Bicycle Facilities C-8.4 Pedestrian and Bike Convenience at Intersections C-8.5 Intersection Speed Reduction C-8.6 Bikeway and Pedestrian Trail Funding Mechanisms C-8.7 Bike Safety Outreach Program C-8.8 Transit Access in New Developments |
| Conservation and Open Space Elements | |
| Policies designed to reduce the use of single-occupancy vehicles to help reduce air quality and circulation impacts include the following: | |
| COS-6.2 Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities COS-6.3 Employer Programs | COS-6.6 Traffic Calming Measures |

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measures: None available

Special Mitigation Measures: None

| Environmental Issue Area | Where Impact was Analyzed in the DEIR | Do Proposed Changes Involve New Impacts? | Any New Circumstances Involving New Impacts? | Any New Information Requiring New Analysis or Verification? | FEIR Mitigations Implemented or Address Impacts |
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| XVII. Utilities and Service Systems. Would the project: | | | | | |
| a) Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board? | DEIR Sec. 6.3 Impact 6.3-1 | NO | NO | YES Modified Mitigation | MM 6.3-1a MM 6.3-1b MM 8.2-1 SU |

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| b) Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects? | Multiple DEIR Sections | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| d) Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed? | DEIR Sec. 6.2 Impact 6.2-1 | NO | NO | NO | NA |
| e) Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments? | DEIR Sec. 6.3 Impact 6.3-1 | NO | NO | YES Modified Mitigation | MM 6.3-1a MM 6.3-1b MM 8.2-1 SU |
| f) Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs? | DEIR Sec. 6.5 Impact 6.5-1 | NO | NO | YES Modified Mitigation | None Available – SU |
| g) Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste? | DEIR Sec. 6.5 Impact 6.5-2 | NO | NO | NO | NA |

Discussion: Impacts to utilities and service systems from implementation of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 were evaluated in Section 6.2, *Water Supply*, Section 6.3, *Wastewater Systems*, and Section 6.5, *Solid Waste*, of the DEIR. Impacts to the environment from the construction of new water facilities are evaluated in many sections the DEIR and considered in the overall urbanization of the General Plan area. All mitigation measures identified for significant impacts in the DEIR/FEIR and adopted by the City continue to remain the responsibility of the City as part of implementation of the General Plan. There have been no major changes to utilities and service systems in the project area since adoption of the FEIR, nor have there been changes in the regulatory framework.

Implementation of the proposed SOI Amendment project would result in the potential future urbanization of the project area, which would result in increased demand for utilities and service systems. However, the potential future urbanization of the SOI Amendment project area was considered as part of buildout in the General Plan Update: 2030 Program EIR, and any contribution to these impacts associated with the proposed SOI Amendment was included in the environmental analysis. General Plan policies, implementation programs, and mitigation measures listed below would address impacts to utilities and service systems for development in the project area, and no impacts not previously evaluated would be expected. In addition, the City of Galt has included commitments as part of the project application that would further minimize impacts due to adequate water supplies by providing a Plan for Services that demonstrates compliance with Federal Clean Drinking Water Act standards; and that demonstrates sufficient, sustainable potable water supplies adequate for projected needs are available to accommodate the buildout of the annexation territory, with no adverse impact to existing ratepayers. Therefore, the proposed project would involve neither new impacts nor environmental conclusions of greater significance than those that were identified in the 2009 FEIR.

Wastewater Services: The DEIR identified a significant and unavoidable impact to wastewater services since General Plan buildout would exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) and would require additional capacity to serve the project's projected demand in

addition to existing commitments. At the time of EIR preparation, the City was working toward compliance, but since a definitive time frame to achieve compliance with the requirements of the RWQCB and to increase the capacity of the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) could not be assumed at that time, the impact would remain significant after mitigation. As stated in the City's MSR, the SOI Amendment area is currently served by individual private septic systems on private property. Upon annexation, the SOI Amendment area would be served by the City of Galt Public Works Wastewater Division. The MSR identifies a number of wastewater treatment facility improvements that would be constructed over the next seven years that would improve treatment and increase capacity sufficient to serve the SOI Amendment area. Sacramento County LAFCo Policies, Standards, and Procedures require that proposed annexations be consistent with applicable service elements of the Sphere of Influence of the City and that adequate services be provided within the time frame needed for the inhabitants of the annexation area (Section I, Standard Number 4). The City of Galt has included commitments as part of the project application to ensure adequate provision of wastewater services, and at the time of submittal of any application to annex territory within the SOI Amendment area, the City of Galt will submit a Plan for Services that demonstrates that sufficient capacity improvements at its WWTP have been constructed, or will be constructed commensurate with demand, to accommodate the buildout of the annexation area with no adverse impact to existing ratepayers. With these project commitments, any proposed annexation by the City within the SOI Amendment area would require the provision of adequate wastewater services consistent with LAFCo standards, and impacts to wastewater services would be less than significant with General Plan policies and implementation programs included below.

Solid Waste Disposal: The DEIR found that buildout of the General Plan would produce substantive amounts of solid waste that could exceed the permitted capacity of a landfill serving the area. To accommodate future solid waste needs resulting from additional growth associated with buildout of the General Plan, additional landfill capacity or waste disposal locations may be required for the City. Because the City employs a private company to provide waste management services (including residential recycling and composting pickup services), it is assumed that this company would continue to maximize the use of existing disposal options and plan for future waste disposal opportunities once existing disposal options reach their capacity, although future waste disposal opportunities may require greater handling costs depending on their location and method of transfer. Consequently, because of the uncertain availability of where and what these future waste disposal options may be by 2030, the DEIR found this impact significant and unavoidable. Sacramento County LAFCo Policies, Standards, and Procedures require that proposed annexations be consistent with applicable service elements of the Sphere of Influence of the City and that adequate services be provided within the time frame needed for the inhabitants of the annexation area (Section I, Standard Number 4). The City of Galt has included commitments as part of the project application to ensure adequate provision of solid waste services, and at the time of submittal of any application to annex territory within the SOI Amendment area, the City of Galt will identify services to be extended, the level and range of services, timing of services, improvements of facility upgrades associated with the services, and how the services will be financed to accommodate the buildout of the annexation area. With these project commitments, any proposed annexation by the City within the SOI Amendment area would require the provision of adequate solid waste services consistent with LAFCo standards, and impacts to solid waste would be less than significant with General Plan policies and implementation programs included below.

No major changes in the project or its circumstances have occurred since certification of the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 DEIR/FEIR. To ensure adequate services to the proposed SOI Amendment area upon annexation, LAFCo has imposed modified mitigation in addition to the measures included in the DEIR/FEIR. With implementation of the modified measures, impacts to wastewater and solid waste services would be reduced from significant and unavoidable to less than significant levels. Therefore, the proposed project would not result in additional utilities and service system effects or represent a substantial increase in the severity of environmental effects previously identified in the Galt General Plan Update: 2030 Program DEIR/FEIR, and no additional mitigation would be required.

Policy or Implementation Program:

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to wastewater treatment and capacity identified in Impact 6.3-1

| Public Facilities and Services Element |
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| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize this impact through ensuring that adequate infrastructure financing mechanisms are in place to provide needed capital wastewater system improvements to accommodate planned growth include the following: |
| PFS-1.2 Availability of Facilities and Services PFS-1.4 Financing from New Development |

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| PFS-1.6 Capital Improvement Program PFS-1.7 Public Facility Financing PFS-1.9 Fair Share Costs on New Developments PFS-1.10 Broad-Based Funding Sources PFS-1.11 Fiscal Impact Analysis for Specific Plans and Significant General Plan Amendments PFS-B Capitol Improvement Program PFS-C Development Fee Schedule |
| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize this impact through the early identification of required infrastructure and the orderly construction and rehabilitation of the facilities needed to serve existing and planned urban areas include the following: |
| PFS-1.2 Availability of Facilities and Services PFS-1.5 Public Facility Master Plans PFS-1.6 Capital Improvement Program PFS-1.8 Ultimate Capacity Needs PFS-A Infrastructure Master Plans |
| Policies and implementation programs designed to minimize this impact through achieving compliance with the Central Valley RWQCB requirements include the following: |
| PFS-2.7 Water Quality Monitoring PFS-3.1 Treatment Facilities Safety PFS-3.5 Sewer Enhancements PFS-3.6 Sewage Sludge PFS-3.7 Compliance with the Clean Water Act |
| Additional policies designed to minimize this impact through the provision and conservation of water resources and service include the following: |
| PFS-2.3 Ground Water Protection Response Plan PFS-2.8 Water Conservation PFS-2.9 Inter-Agency Water Conservation |

Policies to reduce potential impacts from solid waste exceeding landfill capacity identified in Impact 6.5-1

| Public Facilities and Services and Land Use Elements | |
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| Policies designed to minimize this impact through the continued provision of solid waste services and recycling activities include the following: | |
| PFS-5.1 Waste Collection PFS-5.2 Waste Reduction PFS-5.3 Solid Waste Facilities PFS-5.4 Solid Waste Recycling | PFS-5.5 Recycled Materials Use PFS-5.6 Hazardous Materials Disposal PFS-5.7 Construction Debris Recycling LU-8.5 Refuse Transfer Station |

Policies to reduce potential impacts due to conflicts with federal, State, and Local Statutes and Regulations related to solid waste identified in Impact 6.5-2

| Public Facilities and Services Element | |
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| Policies designed to minimize this impact through the continued provision of solid waste services and recycling activities include the following: | |
| PFS-5.1 Waste Collection PFS-5.2 Waste Reduction PFS-5.3 Solid Waste Facilities PFS-5.4 Solid Waste Recycling | PFS-5.5 Recycled Materials Use PFS-5.6 Hazardous Materials Disposal PFS-5.7 Construction Debris Recycling |

DEIR/FEIR Mitigation Measures:

Mitigation Measure 6.3-1a: Adopt General Plan Policy PFS-3.9 “Expand Use of Reclaimed Water” to Address Wastewater System Impacts:

To mitigate wastewater system impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new policy PFS-3.9 “Expand Use of Reclaimed Water” into the Final General Plan.

- **Policy PFS-3.9: “Expand Use of Reclaimed Water”.** *The City shall encourage the use of tertiary treated wastewater for irrigation of agricultural lands, large landscaped areas, and recreation/ open space areas within close proximity to the City’s WWTP to help ensure ongoing compliance with RWQCB requirements. [New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 6.3-1b: Adopt General Plan Policy PFS-3.10 “Point Source Control” to Address Wastewater System Impacts:

To mitigate wastewater system impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new policy PFS-3.10 “Point Source Control” into the Final General Plan.

- **Policy PFS-3.10: “Point Source Control”.** *The City shall work with the RWQCB to ensure that all point source pollutants are adequately mitigated (as part of the CEQA review and project approval process) and monitored to ensure long-term compliance. [New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Mitigation Measure 8.2-1: Adopt General Plan Policy PFS-2.14 “Water Meter Retrofit Program” to Address Water Supply Impacts:

To mitigate water resource impacts resulting from implementation of the Proposed Project, the City shall incorporate the following new policy PFS-2.14 “Water Meter Retrofit Program” into the Final General Plan.

- **Policy PFS-2.14 “Water Meter Retrofit Program”.** *At the direction of the City Council, the City shall prepare and implement a water meter retrofit program (consistent with State requirements as indicated in AB 2572) whereby all existing non-metered connections would be retrofitted with a water meter to improve water conservation. [New Policy – Draft EIR Analysis]*

Research has indicated that the installation of water meters, and the billing of customers based upon volumetric usage has resulted in a 15% to 30% decrease in water usage as compared to a flat rate structure. This is an indication that the installation of water meters could also realize benefits in terms of decreased wastewater flows.

Special Mitigation Measures: None

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| XVIII. Mandatory Findings of Significance. | | | | | |
| a) Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory? | 2009 FEIR and Findings; 2008 DEIR | NO | NO | NO | YES |

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| b) Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? (Cumulatively considerable means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)? | “ | NO | NO | NO | YES |
| c) Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly? | “ | NO | NO | NO | YES |

DISCUSSION: BASED ON THE INFORMATION IN THIS COMPARATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST, FOR IMPACTS THAT MAY BE REDUCED BELOW A LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE, THE MITIGATIONS FROM THE CERTIFIED DEIR AND THE FEIR REMAIN ADEQUATE IN ADDRESSING IMPACTS FROM THE CITY OF GALT SOI AMENDMENT PROJECT. ALL MITIGATION MEASURES IDENTIFIED FOR SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS IN THE DEIR/FEIR AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY CONTINUE TO REMAIN THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CITY AS PART OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GENERAL PLAN. THOUGH CHANGES IN THE PROJECT OR ITS CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE OCCURRED SINCE CERTIFICATION OF THE FEIR, MITIGATION MEASURES ADOPTED FOR IMPACTS TO THE RESOURCES SHOWN ABOVE WOULD CONTINUE TO BE IN EFFECT WITH THE PROPOSED PROJECT, AND NO IMPACTS NOT PREVIOUSLY EVALUATED WOULD BE EXPECTED. FURTHER, THE CITY HAS INCLUDED SEVERAL PROJECT ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENTS TO ENSURE THE PROVISION OF ADEQUATE SERVICES. WITH THESE PROJECT COMMITMENTS, IMPACTS DUE TO ADVERSE EFFECTS TO WASTEWATER AND SOLID WASTE SERVICES HAVE BEEN REDUCED FROM SIGNIFICANT AND UNAVOIDABLE TO LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT LEVELS. NONE OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 15162 (A) (1), (2) AND (3) OF THE CEQA GUIDELINES EXIST AND THEREFORE NO ADDITIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION IS REQUIRED.

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