

# **CHAPTER 7. MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM**

## **7.1 STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS**

When a Lead Agency makes findings on significant environmental effects identified in an EIR, the agency must also adopt a “reporting or monitoring program for the changes to the project which it has adopted or made a condition of approval in order to mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment” (Public Resources Code Section 21081.6(a) and State California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15091(d) and 15097). The Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) is implemented to ensure that the Mitigation Measures (MMs) and project revisions identified in the EIR are implemented. Therefore, the MMRP must include all changes in the proposed project either adopted by the project proponent or made conditions of approval by the Lead or Responsible Agency.

## **7.2 ADMINISTRATION OF THE MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM**

The City of Atascadero (City) is the Lead Agency responsible for the adoption of the MMRP. The City is also responsible for implementation of the MMRP, in coordination with other identified entities. According to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15097(a), a public agency may delegate reporting or monitoring responsibilities to another public agency or to a private entity that accepts the delegation. However, until mitigation measures have been completed, the Lead Agency remains responsible for ensuring that the implementation of the measure occurs in accordance with the program.

### **7.2.1 Mitigation Measures**

Table 7-1 is structured to enable quick reference to MMs and the associated monitoring program based on the environmental resource. The numbering of MMs correlates with numbering of measures found in the Chapter 4, *Environmental Impacts Analysis* of this EIR.

**Table 7-1. Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program**

Mitigation Measure	Requirements of Measure	Compliance Method	Verification Timing	Responsible Party
<i>Air Quality, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, and Energy</i>				
GHG-1.1	<p>The City shall incorporate the following policy into the 2045 General Plan prior to adoption:</p> <p>Update the City of Atascadero Climate Action Plan to identify ways to reduce GHG emissions and limit climate change impacts on the residents to the extent possible. The Climate Action Plan shall integrate the State’s future GHG-reduction goals, such as the State’s goal of attaining carbon neutrality by 2045.</p>	<p>Incorporate the referenced policy into the 2045 General Plan</p>	<p>Prior to adoption of 2045 General Plan</p>	<p>City of Atascadero Community Development Department (CDD)</p>
GHG/mm-1.2	<p>The City shall incorporate the following policy into the 2045 General Plan prior to adoption:</p> <p>Until the City adopts a qualified Climate Action Plan consistent with Mitigation Measure GHG-1, the City shall incorporate development standards into the Municipal Code for new development projects located along existing or planned public transit routes that require features that promote the use of public transit. Examples include the installation of sidewalks or pathways that facilitate ease of access from onsite locations to nearby transit stops, installation of transit improvements (e.g., benches, bus turnouts) for future planned transit stops located adjacent to the development site.</p>	<p>Incorporate the referenced policy into the 2045 General Plan and update the City Zoning Code accordingly</p>	<p>Prior to adoption of 2045 General Plan</p>	<p>City of Atascadero CDD</p>
GHG-1.3	<p>The City shall incorporate the following policy into the 2045 General Plan prior to adoption:</p> <p>The City shall participate in SLOCOG’s Sustainable Communities Strategy/Regional Blueprint Planning effort to help increase consistency between local development plans and associated population and employment growth and the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy.</p>	<p>Incorporate the referenced policy into the 2045 General Plan</p>	<p>Prior to adoption of 2045 General Plan</p>	<p>City of Atascadero CDD</p>

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<b>Geology and Soils</b>				
GEO-9.1	<p>The City shall incorporate the following Policy and Actions into the Recreation, Open Space, and Natural Resources Element of the 2045 General Plan prior to adoption:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policy REC-6.3: Paleontological Resource Protection. Protect unique paleontological resources from disturbance associated with development. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Action A: Maintain a current GIS-based map of generalized areas of paleontologically sensitive areas and areas that have yielded significant fossils.</li> <li>- Action B: Require preparation of a Paleontological Resource Study for projects that would include proposed development within a geologic unit with high paleontological sensitivity and earthwork would occur in areas that have not previously been developed with urban uses, or when excavation depths would exceed those previously disturbed. The Paleontological Resource Study shall evaluate potential impacts to unique paleontological resources and identify appropriate avoidance/mitigation measures in accordance with professional standards set forth by the Society of Vertebrate Paleontology.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Incorporate the referenced policy into the 2045 General Plan</p>	<p>Prior to adoption of 2045 General Plan</p>	<p>City of Atascadero CDD</p>
<b>Utilities and Services Systems</b>				
USS-3.1	<p>The City shall incorporate the following Action into the 2045 General Plan prior to adoption, under Policy PSI-3.3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action D: Require all proposed new projects and new development requiring wastewater collection and treatment service to be reviewed for adequate wastewater collection and treatment capacity prior to issuance of building permits.</li> </ul>	<p>Incorporate the referenced policy into the 2045 General Plan</p>	<p>Prior to adoption of 2045 General Plan</p>	<p>City of Atascadero CDD</p>

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