

**Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal**

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**SCH # 2001021056**

**Project Title:** Amendment to the University Community Plan and the Virginia Smith Trust Specific Plan Project

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 City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: 95340 County: Merced

**Project Location:** County: Merced City/Nearest Community: City of Merced

Cross Streets: Lake Road/Cardella Road Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): \_\_\_\_\_° \_\_\_\_\_' \_\_\_\_\_" N / \_\_\_\_\_° \_\_\_\_\_' \_\_\_\_\_" W Total Acres: 1,841

Assessor's Parcel No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Twp.: \_\_\_\_\_ Range: \_\_\_\_\_ Base: \_\_\_\_\_

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: \_\_\_\_\_ Waterways: \_\_\_\_\_

Airports: \_\_\_\_\_ Railways: \_\_\_\_\_ Schools: \_\_\_\_\_

**Document Type:**

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| CEQA: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOP | <input type="checkbox"/> Draft EIR                            | NEPA: <input type="checkbox"/> NOI | Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Joint Document |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Cons           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supplement/Subsequent EIR | <input type="checkbox"/> EA        | <input type="checkbox"/> Final Document        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neg Dec              | (Prior SCH No.) _____   | <input type="checkbox"/> Draft EIS | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____          |
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**Local Action Type:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Update               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific Plan | <input type="checkbox"/> Rezone                            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annexation |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Plan Amendment | <input type="checkbox"/> Master Plan              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prezone                | <input type="checkbox"/> Redevelopment         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Element              | <input type="checkbox"/> Planned Unit Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Use Permit                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Permit        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Plan         | <input type="checkbox"/> Site Plan                | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____          |

**Development Type:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential: Units <u>9,680</u> Acres _____                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation: Type _____            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Office: Sq.ft. <u>415,000</u> Acres <u>19.6</u> Employees _____     | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining: Mineral _____                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial: Sq.ft. <u>831,150</u> Acres <u>49.4</u> Employees _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Power: Type _____ MW _____            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational: <u>94.4</u> acres                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous Waste: Type _____           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recreational: <u>247.7</u> acres parks/open space/canal             | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____   |  |

**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aesthetic/Visual                | <input type="checkbox"/> Fiscal                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation/Parks                | <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetation                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Land               | <input type="checkbox"/> Flood Plain/Flooding                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Schools/Universities            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Quality            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air Quality          | <input type="checkbox"/> Forest Land/Fire Hazard               | <input type="checkbox"/> Septic Systems                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Supply/Groundwater |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Archeological/Historical        | <input type="checkbox"/> Geologic/Seismic                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sewer Capacity       | <input type="checkbox"/> Wetland/Riparian                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biological Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Minerals                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading | <input type="checkbox"/> Growth Inducement                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Zone                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Noise                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solid Waste          | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Use                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage/Absorption             | <input type="checkbox"/> Population/Housing Balance            | <input type="checkbox"/> Toxic/Hazardous                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cumulative Effects       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic/Jobs                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Services/Facilities | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic/Circulation  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                        |

**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

Land use: agriculture/Zoning: Agriculture/General Plan Designation: Multiple Use Urban Development and Agricultural

**Project Description:** (please use a separate page if necessary)

Proposed update to the 2004 University Community Plan (Adopted UCP) located south of the University of California (UC), Merced campus. The proposed plan update would remove a portion of the UCP area owned by UC Merced from the County's UCP, expand the UCP area east to align with current land ownership, and update the land uses proposed within the 654-acre Virginia Smith Trust (VST) Specific Plan that would comprise the northern portion of the revised UCP.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air Resources Board                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Historic Preservation                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boating & Waterways, Department of             | <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Public School Construction                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> California Emergency Management Agency         | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation, Department of                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # 6               | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Division of Aeronautics               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regional WQCB # 5                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Planning                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Resources Agency                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Central Valley Flood Protection Board          | <input type="checkbox"/> Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy             | <input type="checkbox"/> S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Commission                             | <input type="checkbox"/> San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colorado River Board                           | <input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin River Conservancy                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation, Department of                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corrections, Department of                     | <input type="checkbox"/> State Lands Commission                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Delta Protection Commission                    | <input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Clean Water Grants                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education, Department of                       | <input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Quality                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy Commission                              | <input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Rights                                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fish & Game Region # 4              | <input type="checkbox"/> Tahoe Regional Planning Agency                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food & Agriculture, Department of              | <input type="checkbox"/> Toxic Substances Control, Department of             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Resources, Department of           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Services, Department of                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services, Department of                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing & Community Development     |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Native American Heritage Commission |  |

**Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)**

Starting Date January 14, 2022 Ending Date February 14, 2022

**Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):**

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Contact: <u>Mike Parker</u>	Phone: _____
Phone: <u>916-444-7301</u>	

Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 1/10/2021

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.