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### STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR CITY OF LODI –  
POLICE TRAINING FACILITY PROJECT – DATED FEBRUARY 2020 (STATE  
CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2020029054)

Dear Mr. Junker:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) received an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the City of Lodi – Police Training Facility Project. The City of Lodi is proposing to provide the City of Lodi Police with a police training facility. The purpose of this project is to provide the necessary long-term police training facility required in order to properly train and certify the Department on a long-term, consistent basis, as well as potentially offer some “open to the public” training opportunities, such as scheduled hunter safety courses or local shooting club competition space. The Training Facility proposes to include a classroom training facility, short, medium, and long-range shooting ranges, a defensive driving course, a detonation area and bunker, as well as a mobile restroom, storage containers, parking stalls, an emergency access lane, target berms, improvements to the existing gravel road, lighting, and site fencing. Other improvements include hardscape and landscaping.

DTSC recommends that the following issues be evaluated in the IS/MND Hazards and Hazardous Materials section:

1. The IS/MND should acknowledge historic or future activities on or near the project site that have the potential to result in the release of hazardous wastes/substances on the project site. In instances in which releases have occurred or may occur, further studies should be carried out to delineate the nature and extent of the contamination, and the potential threat to public health and/or the environment should be evaluated. The IS/MND should also identify the mechanism(s) to initiate any required investigation and/or remediation and the government agency who will be responsible for providing appropriate regulatory oversight.

2. If buildings or other structures are to be demolished on any project sites included in the proposed project, surveys should be conducted for the presence of lead-based paints or products, mercury, asbestos containing materials, and polychlorinated biphenyl caulk. Removal, demolition and disposal of any of the above-mentioned chemicals should be conducted in compliance with California environmental regulations and policies. In addition, sampling near current and/or former buildings should be conducted in accordance with DTSC's 2006 *Interim Guidance Evaluation of School Sites with Potential Contamination from Lead Based Paint, Termiticides, and Electrical Transformers* ([https://dtsc.ca.gov/wpcontent/uploads/sites/31/2018/09/Guidance\\_Lead\\_Contamination\\_050118.pdf](https://dtsc.ca.gov/wpcontent/uploads/sites/31/2018/09/Guidance_Lead_Contamination_050118.pdf)).
3. If any projects initiated as part of the proposed project require the importation of soil to backfill any excavated areas, proper sampling should be conducted to ensure that the imported soil is free of contamination. DTSC recommends the imported materials be characterized according to DTSC's 2001 *Information Advisory Clean Imported Fill Material* ([https://dtsc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/31/2018/09/SMP\\_FS\\_Cleanfill-Schools.pdf](https://dtsc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/31/2018/09/SMP_FS_Cleanfill-Schools.pdf)).
4. If any sites included as part of the proposed project have been used for agricultural, weed abatement or related activities, proper investigation for organochlorinated pesticides should be discussed in the IS/MND. DTSC recommends the current and former agricultural lands be evaluated in accordance with DTSC's 2008 *Interim Guidance for Sampling Agricultural Properties (Third Revision)* (<https://dtsc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/31/2018/09/Ag-Guidance-Rev-3-August-7-2008-2.pdf>).

DTSC appreciates the opportunity to review the IS/MND. Should you need any assistance with an environmental investigation, please submit a request for Lead Agency Oversight Application, which can be found at: [https://dtsc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/31/2018/09/VCP\\_App-1460.doc](https://dtsc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/31/2018/09/VCP_App-1460.doc). Additional information regarding voluntary agreements with DTSC can be found at: <https://dtsc.ca.gov/brownfields/>.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 255-3710 or via email at [Gavin.McCreary@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:Gavin.McCreary@dtsc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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