

DS8

Property Specific Request: Change land use designation from VR2 to VR4.3	
Requested by: Ken Decenza (Wright Family)	
Community Recommendation	Unknown
Opposition Expected ¹	No
Spot Designation/Zone Yes	
EIR Recirculation Needed	Yes
Change to GPU Objectives Needed No	
Level of Change	Moderate

Property Description

Property Owner:

Sonora Desert Palms LLC

Size:

33.8 acres

1 parcel

Location/Description:

Borrego Spring Subregional Group Area 0.7 miles north of Palm Canyon Drive, via Di Giorgio Road;

Outside County Water Authority boundary

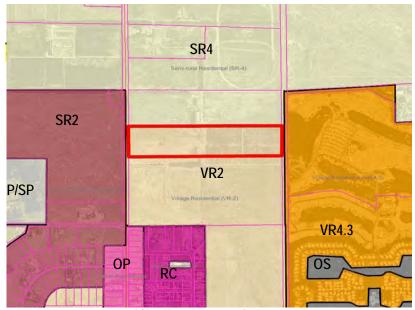
Prevalence of Constraints (See following page):

- → high; → partially; - none
- Steep slope (greater than 25%)
- Floodplain
- 0 Wetlands
- 0 Habitat Value
- Agricultural Lands
- Fire Hazard Severity Zone

Land Use		
General Plan		
Scenario	Designation	
Existing General Plan	4.3 du/ acre	
PC / Staff Recommendation	VR2	
Referral	VR4.3	
Hybrid	VR2	
Draft Land Use	SR4	
Environmentally Superior	SR10	
Zoning		
Existing — RS4; 6,000-sq. ft. minimum lot size		
Proposed — Same as existing		



Aerial



PC/Staff Recommendation

Discussion

Subject parcel is surrounded by proposed designations SR2, SR4, VR4.3 and VR2; however, changing this parcel to a VR4.3 designation would create an island of VR2 designated land to the south. To resolve this island of spot designation would require also designating this area as VR4.3, resulting in approximately 390 additional units. This would most likely require recirculation of the EIR.

Note:
1- Based on staff's experience

DS8 (cont.)



Floodplain (100-year)

Prime Agricultural Lands



Fire Hazard Severity Zones

DS11 [#159a Green]

Property Specific Request: Change land use designation from RL40 to RL20	
Requested by: None [2004 Referral]	
Community Recommendation	N/A
Opposition Expected ¹	Yes
Spot Designation/Zone	Yes
EIR Recirculation Needed	Yes
Change to GPU Objectives Needed Yes	
Level of Change	Major

Note:

Property Description

Property Owner:

Green Dallas M & Roberta H

Size:

150.2 acres

3 parcels

Location/Description:

In the Shelter Valley, a community in the Desert Subregion, along the Great Southern Overland Stage Route of 1849.

Outside County Water Authority boundary

Prevalence of Constraints (See following page):

− high; − partially; − none

- Steep slope (greater than 25%)
- Floodplain
- Wetlands
- Habitat Value
- Agricultural Lands
- Fire Hazard Severity Zone

Land Use		
General Plan		
Scenario	Designation	
Existing General Plan	1 du/4,8,20 ac	
PC / Staff Recommendation	RL40	
Referral	RL20	
Hybrid	RL40	
Draft Land Use	KL40	
Environmentally Superior	RL80	
Zoning		
Existing — S92; 4-acre minimum lot size		
Proposed — Same as existing		



Aerial



PC/Staff Recommendation

Discussion

This property is a 2004 Residential Referral where the property owner requested a SR4 designation; however, the Board of Supervisors directed staff to apply a RL20 designation to the property. This property did not come up in testimony during the 2010 Board hearings. The Referral is in the remote Shelter Valley desert community, where significant growth would not be supported by the Community Development Model or project objectives, such as Guiding Principle #9 since the higher density is not in an area near existing infrastructure and jobs. The property is likely also in an alluvial floodplain due to the mapped wetland on the property. The requested designation would result in a spot designation that would require increasing the density of an additional 250 acres. This would most likely require recirculation of the EIR.

¹⁻ Based on staff's experience

DS8 (cont.)





Wetlands

Fire Hazard Severity Zones

DS12

Property Specific Request: Change land use designation from RL40 to SR4	
Requested by: Ronald Richardson	
Community Recommendation	N/A
Opposition Expected ¹	Yes
Spot Designation/Zone	Yes
EIR Recirculation Needed	Yes
Change to GPU Objectives Needed	Yes
Level of Change Major	

Note

1 – Based on staff's experience

Property Description

Property Owner:

Ronald Richardson

Size

179.6 acres (160 and 19.6 acres)

2 parcels

Location/Description:

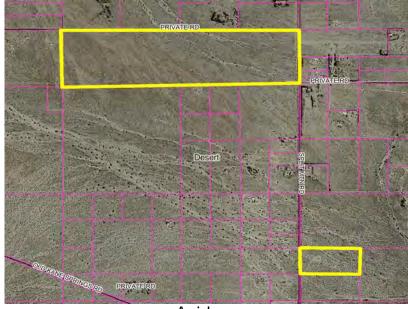
South of Ocotillo Wells, approximately one mile south of SR-78 via Split Mountain Road (larger parcel);

Outside CWA boundary

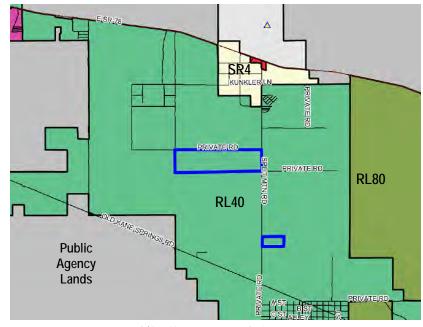
Prevalence of Constraints (See following page):

- Steep slope (greater than 25%)
- Floodplain
- Wetlands
- O Habitat Value
- Agricultural Lands
- Fire Hazard Severity Zone

Land Use		
General Plan		
Scenario	Designation	
Existing General Plan	1 du/4,8,20 ac	
PC / Staff Recommendation	RL40	
Referral		
Hybrid	RL40	
Draft Land Use		
Environmentally Superior	RL80	
Zoning		
Existing — S92; 4- / 8-acre minimum lot size		
Proposed — same as existing		



Aerial

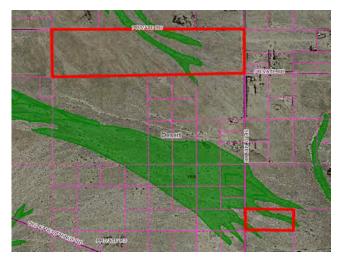


PC/Staff Recommendation

Discussion

Subject area comprises two non-adjacent parcels is remote eastern area of the unincorporated county near the Imperial County line. This area is parcelized into lots ranging in size from 20 to 160 acres. Requested Semi-Rural designation would be a significant spot designation and to resolve the spot designation would require applying Semi-Rural designations to an area that is approximately two square miles in size. This would require changing the GPU project objectives, particularly Guiding Principle #9 since it would add development in an area without sufficient infrastructure and services. Additionally, due to the small amount of rainfall (3 – 6 inches) experienced in this area, the existing minimum lot size required by the Groundwater Ordinance is 20 acres.

DS12 (cont.)





Wetlands

Fire Hazard Severity Zones

DS19

Property Specific Request:

Change land use designation from Rural Commercial to Village Residential 10.9 Change Zoning from C42: Visitor Serving Commercial to RC: Residential – Commercial

Requested by: Alexis Gevorgian

Community Recommendation	Unknown
Opposition Expected ¹	No
Spot Designation/Zone	Yes
EIR Recirculation Needed	No
Change to GPU Objectives Needed	No
Level of Change	Minor

Note

Property Description

Property Owner:

Affordable Housing Land Consultants LLC

Size:

8.96 acres

3 parcels

Location/Description:

Borrego Springs Subregional Group Area Palm Canyon Drive, nearly one mile west of Christmas Circle:

Outside County Water Authority boundary

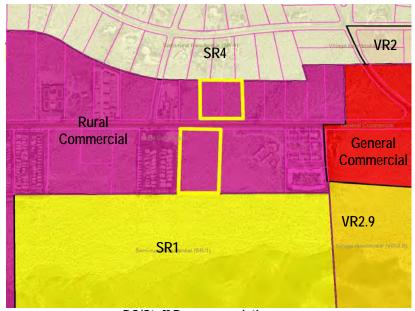
Prevalence of Constraints (See following page):

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- Steep slope (greater than 25%)
- Floodplain
- Wetlands
- O Habitat Value
- Agricultural Lands
- Fire Hazard Severity Zone

Land Use		
General Plan		
Scenario	Designation	
Existing General Plan	10.9 du/acre	
PC / Staff Recommendation	Rural	
	Commercial	
Referral		
Hybrid	Rural	
Draft Land Use	Commercial	
Environmentally Superior		
Zoning		
Existing — RC; 6,000 sq. ft. minimum lot size		
Proposed — C42; 6,000 sq. ft. minimum lot size		



Aerial



PC/Staff Recommendation

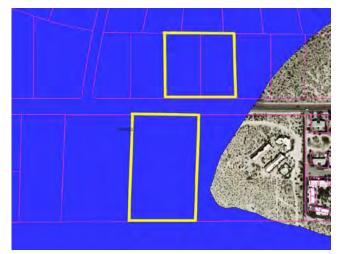
Discussion

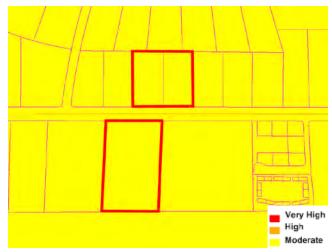
Tentative Map 5512 is currently in process for 122 apartments for seniors on the three parcels, with the existing residential density 10.9 dwelling units per acre. Family Residential, or attached dwelling units, are not allowed, except as a secondary use, under the proposed C42 Visitor Serving, to a primary commercial use. The property owner is requesting both a change in land use designation to Village Residential 10.9 and a Zoning changing to RC: Residential – Commercial. The RC: Residential-Commercial Use Regulation allows for the "Family Residential" or attached residential units by-right. While the request is a spot designation, it would be adjacent to other residential development.

See next page for another alternative to address the property owner's request.

¹⁻ Based on staff's experience

DS19 (cont.)





Floodplain (100-year)

Fire Hazard Severity Zones

Discussion (cont.)

An alternative to the property owner's request that would achieve the same objective would be to retain the Rural Commercial land use designation proposed by the PC / Staff Recommendation, but to change the zoning to C34: Commercial-Residential zone with a density of 10.9 dwelling units per acre. This zone is allowed with a Rural Commercial land use designation and allows for residential-only development such as the proposed senior apartments.

DS20

Property Specific Request: Change land use designation from VR2 to VR4.31	
Requested by: Alexis Gevorgian	
Community Recommendation	Unknown
Opposition Expected ²	No
Spot Designation/Zone	No
EIR Recirculation Needed	Yes
Change to GPU Objectives Needed	No
Level of Change Moderate	
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- 1 AMG Associates letter dated October 19, 2010
- 2 Based on staff's experience

Property Description Property Owner: Inland Development LLC Size:

144.3 acres

2 parcels

Location/Description:

Borrego Springs Subregional Group Area; Adjacent to Palm Canyon Road and Borrego Valley Road;

Outside County Water Authority boundary

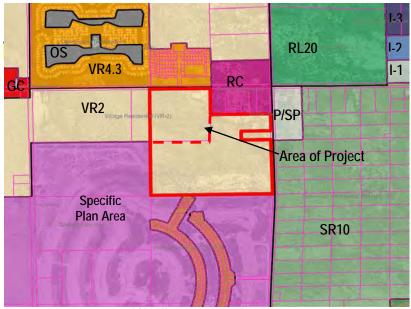
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 - none
- Steep slope (greater than 25%)
- Floodplain
- Wetlands
- 0 Habitat Value
- Agricultural Lands
- Fire Hazard Severity Zone

Land Use		
General Plan		
Scenario	Designation	
Eviating Canaral Dian	4.3 du/ acre	
Existing General Plan	2 du/acre	
PC / Staff Recommendation	VR2	
Referral		
Draft Land Use	VR2	
Hybrid		
Environmentally Superior	SR10	
Zoning		
Existing — RS2/ RS4		
6,000 sq. ft./0.5-acre minimum lot size		
Proposed — RS: same as existing		



Aerial

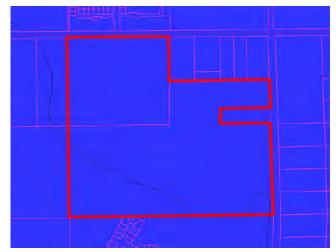


PC/Staff Recommendation

Discussion

The discussion on this property centers around the designation of the 40 acre parcel, which is currently designated at a density of 4.3 dwelling units per acre, and the PC / Staff Recommendation proposes VR2 or two dwelling units per acre. The remaining 104-acre property is staying at VR2, which is equivalent of the existing General Plan and consistent with the applicant's request. Tentative Map (TM) 5528, currently in process on the property, proposes 287 units, which would be allowed under the VR2 designation; however, the project's original submittal of 331 units would not be allowed with the VR2 designation. This parcel has consistently been designated as VR2 since 2003. Changing to the higher density would likely require a recirculation of the EIR.

DS20 (cont.)



Floodplain (100-year)



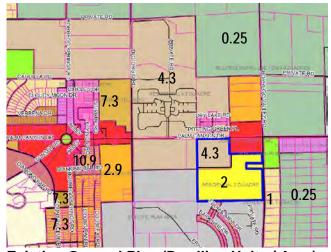
Wetlands



Prime Agricultural Lands



Fire Hazard Severity Zones



Existing General Plan (Dwelling Units / Acre)

DS22 [See also TM5373]

Property Specific Request: Change land use designation from SR10/RL80 to Specific Plan Area	
Requested by: Doug Wilson	
Community Recommendation	Unknown
Opposition Expected ¹	No
Spot Designation/Zone	No
EIR Recirculation Needed	No
Change to GPU Objectives Needed	No
Level of Change	Minor

Property Description

Property Owner:

Basara LLC/ Plote Raymond E Living Trust

Size:

287.5 acres

10 parcels

Location/Description:

Borrego Springs Subregional Group Area;

Approximately 1.5 miles south of Palm Canyon

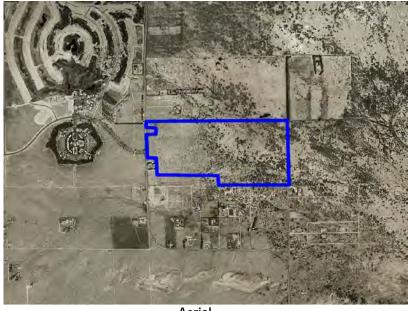
Drive via Borrego Valley Road;

Outside County Water Authority boundary

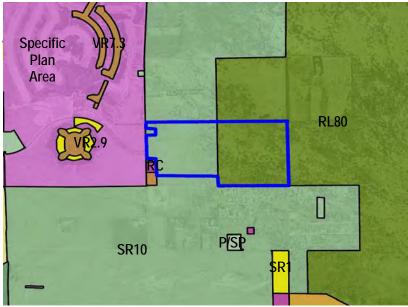
Prevalence of Constraints (See following page):

- O Steep slope (greater than 25%)
- Floodplain
- Wetlands
- Habitat Value
- Agricultural Lands
- Fire Hazard Severity Zone

Land Use		
General Plan		
Scenario	Designation	
Existing General Plan	Specific Plan	
	Area	
PC / Staff Recommendation	SR10 / RL80	
Referral	SR10 / RL80	
Draft Land Use	SR10 / RL80	
Hybrid	SKIU/ KLOU	
Environmentally Superior	RL20 / RL80	
Zoning		
Existing — S88; 1,500 sq. ft. minimum lot size		
RS1; 1-acre minimum lot size		
Proposed — S88; 1,500 sq. ft. minimum lot size		
RS1; 1-acre minimum lot size		
S92; 1-acre minimum lot size		



Aerial



PC/Staff Recommendation

Discussion

This property has an approved Mesquite Trails: TM5373 and an adopted Specific Plan with the (21) Specific Plan Area designation that is applied under the existing General Plan. The Tentative Map for the property has been extended to September 2014 with the automatic time extensions by the State of California, and it would be consistent with the Goals and Policies in the General Plan Update to retain this as a Specific Plan Area.

Note: 1- Based on staff's experience

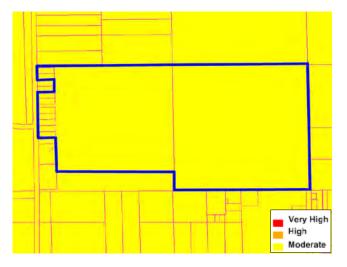
DS22(cont.)





Wetlands

Floodplain (100-year)



Fire Hazard Severity Zones

DS23

Property Specific Request: Change Zoning from C36 / RS to C34: General Commercial / Residential and RV: Variable Family Residential Requested by: Jim Engelke Community Recommendation Unknown Opposition Expected¹ No Spot Designation/Zone No EIR Recirculation Needed

Notes

1 – Based on staff's experience

Level of Change

2 – Assuming the Village Core Mixed Use intensity of development is generally consistent with the PC/Staff Recommendation

No

Minor

Property Description
Property Owner:

Dennis G. & Sharon L. Nourse

Change to GPU Objectives Needed

Size:

54.4 acres; 1 parcel <u>Location/Description</u>:

Borrego Springs Subregional Group Area South side of Palm Canyon Drive, approximately one-half mile west of Christmas Circle Outside County Water Authority boundary

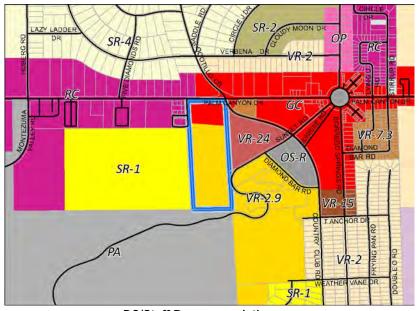
Prevalence of Constraints (See following page):

- → high;
 → partially;
 - none
- Steep slope (greater than 25%)
- Floodplain
- Wetlands
- O Habitat Value
- Agricultural Lands
- Fire Hazard Severity Zone

Land Use		
General Plan		
Scenario	Designation	
	General Comm.	
Existing General Plan	1 du/1,2,4, ac.	
	1 du/4,8,20 ac.	
PC / Staff Recommendation	GC/VR2.9	
Referral		
Hybrid	GC/VR2.9	
Draft Land Use		
Environmentally Superior	GC/SR10	
Zoning		
Existing — C36, RR, S87		
1-acre, 2.5-acre minimum lot size		
Proposed — C36, RS		
15,000 sq. ft. minimum lot size		



Aerial

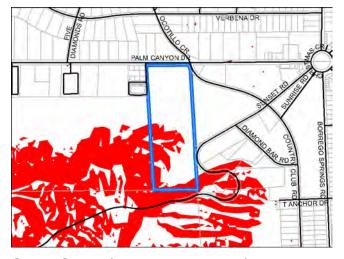


PC/Staff Recommendation

Discussion

Proposed General Commercial/VR2.9 split designation for subject property would allow approximately 120 dwelling units with 11.5 acres of Commercial; however, this zone would not allow for multi-family residential housing and would typically result in single family development. During the initial project consultation with Department of Planning and Land Use, the applicant requested a mixed use development that would require a C34: General Commercial / Residential Zone along with an associated building type that allows for attached units. Since the applicant is not trying to construct more units than would be allowed by a VR2.9 density recirculation of the EIR is not anticipated to be necessary.

DS23 (cont.)



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BORRESO SPRINGS RD

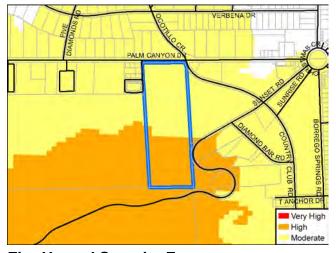
BORRESO SPRINGS RD

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Steep Slope (Greater than 25%)

Floodplain (100-year)



Fire Hazard Severity Zones

Discussion

Proposed General Commercial/VR2.9 split designation for subject property would allow approximately 120 dwelling units with 11.5 acres of Commercial. The applicant has requested an initial consultation with Project Planning staff, and through that process has requested a mixed use development that would only be accommodated with a C34: General Commercial / Residential Zone instead of C36: General Commercial and the RV: Variable Family Residential and an associated building type that allows for attached units. The Land Use designation is one that would typically result in single family development, so a multi family density is not required. The back portion of the property is constrained by steep slopes. Additionally, the requestor contends that there are inconsistencies with the Draft Borrego Spring Community Plan and the land use designations applied, which is based on a misunderstanding of the Special Study Area proposed for the Town Center.

DS24

Property Specific Request: Change land use designation from SR10 to SR1		
Requested by: Chris Brown		
Community Recommendation	Unknown	
Opposition Expected ¹	No	
Spot Designation/Zone	No	
EIR Recirculation Needed	Yes	
Change to GPU Objectives Needed	No	
Level of Change	Moderate	

Note: 1 – Based on staff's experience

Property Description

Property Owner:

Borrego Country Club Estates LLC

Size:

62.7 acres

1 parcel

Location/Description:

Borrego Springs Subregion

North of County Club Road, approximately two

miles south of Christmas Circle

Outside CWA boundary

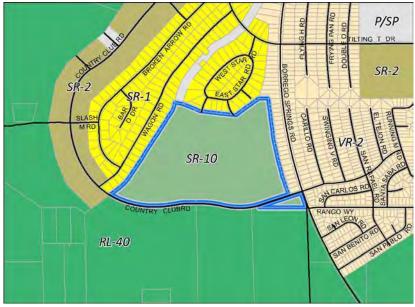
Prevalence of Constraints (See following page):

- O Steep slope (greater than 25%)
- Floodplain
- Wetlands 0
- Habitat Value
- Agricultural Lands
- Fire Hazard Severity Zone

Land Use			
General Plan			
Scenario	Designation		
Existing General Plan	1 du / ac		
PC / Staff Recommendation	SR10		
Referral			
Draft Land Use	SR10		
Hybrid			
Environmentally Superior	RL20		
Zoning			
Existing —RS1; 1-acre minimum lot size			
Proposed — S92; 1-acre minimum lot size			



Aerial

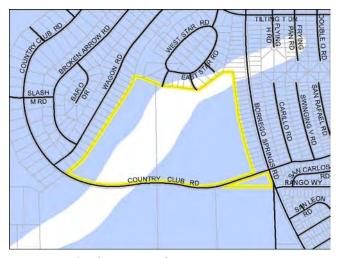


PC/Staff Recommendation

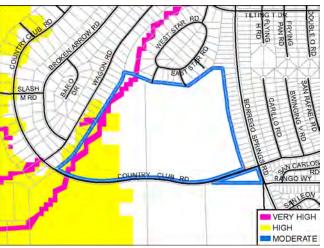
Discussion

While the subject property request would be consistent with the project objectives, it would allow ten times the number of dwelling units of the Draft EIR Proposed Project; therefore, a recirculation of the EIR would likely be required.

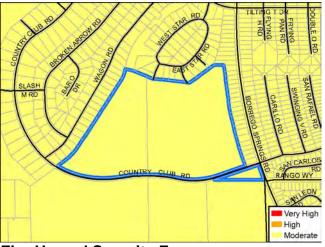
DS24 (cont.)



Floodplain (100-year)



Habitat Evaluation Model



Fire Hazard Severity Zones

DS25

Property Specific Request: Change land use designation from RL40 to SR4	
Requested by: Larry Clement	
Community Recommendation	Unknown
Opposition Expected ¹	No
Spot Designation/Zone	Yes
EIR Recirculation Needed	Yes
Change to GPU Objectives Needed	Yes
Level of Change	Major

Notes:

¹⁻ Based on staff's experience

Property Description
Property Owner: Larry Clement
<u>Size</u> : 288.25 acres 1 parcel
Location/Description: 0.4 miles to the north of Palm Canyon Drive Outside CWA boundary

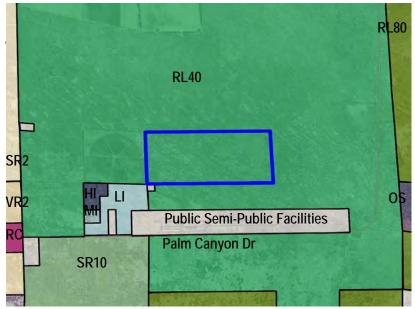
Prevalence of Constraints (See following page):

- − high; − partially; - none
- O Steep slope (greater than 25%)
- Floodplain
- Wetlands
- Habitat Value
- Agricultural Lands
- O Fire Hazard Severity Zones

Land Use			
General Plan			
Scenario	Designation		
Existing General Plan	1 du/4,8,20 ac		
PC / Staff Recommendation	RL40		
Referral	DI 40		
Hybrid	RL40		
Draft Land Use	DI 00		
Environmentally Superior	RL80		
Zoning			
Existing — S92, 4-acre minimum lot size			
Proposed — Same as existing			



Aerial

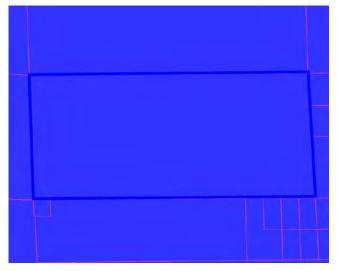


PC/Staff Recommendation

Discussion

The property owner's request is significantly higher than the draft General Plan alternatives and would require changes to project objectives and recirculation of the EIR. The request conflicts with the guiding principles 2, 5 and 9. Additionally, a Major Use Permit 09-012 for a Solar Farm, Eurus Energy Borrego LLC was approved by the County Board of Supervisors (Item #1) on January 12, 2011.

DS25 (cont.)



Floodplains



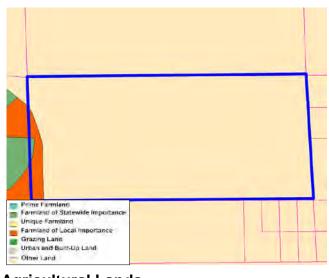
Prime Agricultural Lands



Fire Hazard Severity Zones



Wetlands



Agricultural Lands

DESERT

DS26

Property Specific Request: Change land use designation from RL40 to SR4	
Requested by: Mara Penick	
Community Recommendation	Unknown
Opposition Expected ¹	No
Spot Designation/Zone	Yes
EIR Recirculation Needed	Yes
Change to GPU Objectives Needed	Yes
Level of Change	Major

Notes:

Property Description Property Owner: Mara Penick Size: 10 acres 1 parcel Location/Description:

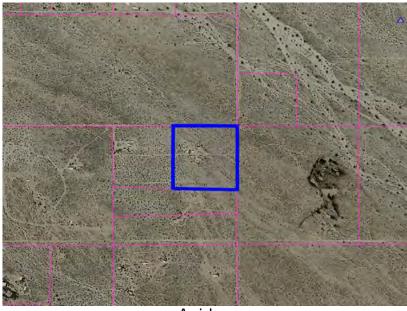
1 mile west of Split Mountain Road via a private road

Outside CWA boundary

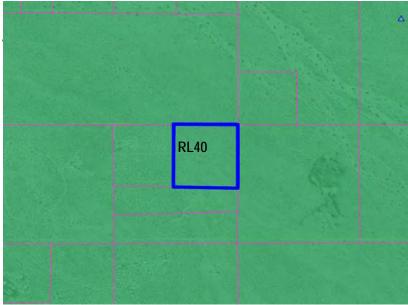
Prevalence of Constraints (See following page):

- Steep slope (greater than 25%)
- Floodplain
- Wetlands
- O Habitat Value
- Agricultural Lands
- Fire Hazard Severity Zones

Land Use			
General Plan			
Scenario	Designation		
Existing General Plan	1 du/4,8,20 ac		
PC / Staff Recommendation	RL40		
Referral	RL80		
Hybrid	RL40		
Draft Land Use	RL80		
Environmentally Superior			
Zoning			
Existing — S92, 8-acre minimum lot size			
Proposed — Same as existing			



Aerial



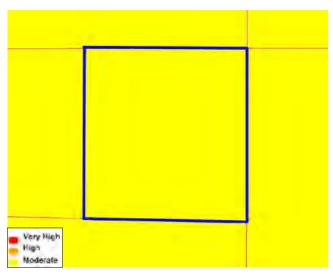
PC/Staff Recommendation

Discussion

This 10 acre property would not be able to subdivide further under the existing General Plan designation, since it currently has a minimum lot size of 8 acres, as well as the groundwater ordinance that currently requires a minimum parcel size of 20 acres in this area. The application of Semi-Rural 4 in this area would be a spot zone that is inconsistent with Guiding Principle 5, and would require recirculation of the EIR.

¹⁻ Based on staff's experience

DS26 (cont.)



Fire Hazard Severity Zones

Desert