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Proposed Community Plan Land Use Designations

General Plan Land Use Designations
Adopted August 2011
- Village Residential (VR-30)
- Village Residential (VR-24)
- Village Residential (VR-20)
- Village Residential (VR-15)
- Village Residential (VR-10.9)
- Village Residential (VR-7.8)
- Village Residential (VR-4.3)
- Village Residential (VR-2.9)
- Village Residential (VR-2)
- Semi-Rural Residential (SR-5)
- Semi-Rural Residential (SR-1)
- Semi-Rural Residential (SR-2)
- Semi-Rural Residential (SR-4)
- Semi-Rural Residential (SR-10)
- Rural Lands (Rs-20)
- Rural Lands (Rs-40)
- Rural Lands (Rs-60)
- Specific Plan Area (residential densities in italics)
- Office Professional
- Neighborhood Commercial
- General Commercial
- Retail Commercial
- Limited Impact Industrial
- Medium Impact Industrial
- High Impact Industrial
- Village Core Mixed Use
- Public/Semi-Public Facilities
- Buffer/Semi-Public Lands
- Public Agency Lands
- Tribal Lands
- Open Space (Recreation)
- Open Space (Conservation)
- County Water Authority Boundary
- Twin Oaks Subregional Group Area Boundary
- Project Site
- Community Plan Boundary

FIGURE 8
FIGURE 9
Proposed Zoning

Project Site

Project Proposed Zoning
- Open Space (S80)
- Residential-Single
- General Commercial/Residential Use (C34)
- Agriculture (A70)

Zoning Codes
- A70 - Limited Agriculture
- A72 - General Agriculture
- C30 - Office-Professional
- C35 - General Commercial/Limited Residential
- C36 - General Commercial
- C42 - Visitor Service Commercial
- RMH - Mobilehome Residential
- RR - Rural Residential
- RS - Single Family Residential
- RV - Variable Family Residential
- S80 - Extractive Use
- S86 - Parking
- S88 - Specific Plan
- S90 - Holding Area
- S92 - General Rural

SOURCE: Newland Sierra LLC 2015

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FIGURE 10
Existing North County Metropolitan I-15 Design Corridor

SOURCE: Bing Maps 2014; Fusco 2016

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Wildlife Species
- Coastal California gnatcatcher
- Nuttall's woodpecker
- Oak titmouse
- Red-shouldered hawk
- Sharp-shinned hawk
- Yellow warbler
- Desert woodrat (midden)
- Blainville's horned lizard
- Blainville's horned lizard (scat)

Plant Species
- Engelmann oak
- Munz's sage
- Ramona horkelia
- Summer holly
- Ashy spike-moss
- Chaparral rein orchid

Vegetation Communities
- CLOW, Coast live oak woodland
- CSS, Diegan coastal sage scrub
- CSS-CHP, Coastal sage - chaparral transition
- CSSB, Coastal sage scrub - Baccharis dominated
- DEV, Urban/developed
- OH, Disturbed habitat
- EUC, Eucalyptus woodland
- FWM, Freshwater marsh
- IA, Intensive agriculture
- MFS, Mulefat scrub

SOURCE: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2016

FIGURE 11
Biological Resources
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FIGURE 12
Project Viewshed

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FIGURE 13
Landscape Units

Twin Oaks Valley Landscape Unit
I-15 Corridor Landscape Unit
Project Site

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Key View 1 - Deer Springs Road at I-15 NB On-Ramps

Visual Resources Technical Report for the Newland Sierra Project
Key View 1: Existing

Key View 1: Proposed (with newly installed landscaping)

FIGURE 15a

Key View 1 - Deer Springs Road at I-15 NB On-Ramps

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FIGURE 16
Key View 2 - Mountain Meadow Road
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Key View 2: Existing

Key View 2: Proposed
Key View 3: Existing

Key View 3: Proposed

FIGURE 17
Key View 3 - North Centre City Parkway/I-15 NB

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Key View 4: Existing

Key View 4: Proposed

FIGURE 18
Key View 4 - SB I-15

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Key View 5 (Option A): Existing

Key View 5 (Option A): Proposed
Key View 5 (Option B): Existing

Key View 5 (Option B): Proposed

FIGURE 19b

Key View 5 - Deer Springs Road near Mesa Rock Road (Option B)

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Key View 6 - Deer Springs Road near Deer Springs Place (Option A)

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Key View 6 (Option B): Existing

Key View 6 (Option B): Proposed
Key View 7: Existing

Key View 7: Proposed
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APPENDIX A

Viewshed Analysis
FIGURE 1

Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 1

SOURCE: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014

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FIGURE 2
Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 2

SOURCE: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014
FIGURE 3
Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 3

SOURCE: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014

Newland Sierra Visual Resources Technical Report - Appendix A
Figure 4: Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 4

Source: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014

- Viewsed Analysis Point - Public
- Visible Areas - Project Development
- Visible Areas - Open Space
- Project Site

Proposed Project:
- Fuel Modification Zone 1
- Fuel Modification Zone 2
- FMZ Special management Area
- Development/Access Roads

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FIGURE 5
Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 5

SOURCE: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014

Newland Sierra Visual Resources Technical Report - Appendix A
FIGURE 6
Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 6

SOURCE: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014

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FIGURE 7

Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 7

SOURCE: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014
FIGURE 10
Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 10

Viewshed Analysis Point - Public
Visible Areas - Project Development
Visible Areas - Open Space
Project Site

Proposed Project
Fuel Modification Zone 1
Fuel Modification Zone 2
FMZ Special Management Area
Development/Access Roads

SOURCE: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014

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FIGURE 11

Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 11

SOURCE: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014

Newland Sierra Visual Resources Technical Report - Appendix A
FIGURE 12

Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 12

SOURCE: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014

Viewshed Analysis Point - Public
Visible Areas - Project Development
Visible Areas - Open Space
Project Site

Proposed Project
- Fuel Modification Zone 1
- Fuel Modification Zone 2
- FMZ Special management Area
- Development/Access Roads

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FIGURE 13
Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 13

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FIGURE 14

Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 14

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FIGURE 15

Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 15

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FIGURE 16
Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 16

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FIGURE 17

Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 17

SOURCE: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014

Project Site

Proposed Project
- Fuel Modification Zone 1
- Fuel Modification Zone 2
- FMZ Special management Area
- Development/Access Roads

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FIGURE 18

Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 18

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FIGURE 19
Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 19

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FIGURE 20

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FIGURE 22
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FIGURE 23
Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 23

SOURCE: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014

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Figure 24: Viewshed Analysis - Public Point 24

Visible Areas - Project Development
Visible Areas - Open Space
Project Site

Proposed Project
Fuel Modification Zone 1
Fuel Modification Zone 2
FMZ Special Management Area
Development/Access Roads

Source: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014

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FIGURE 25

Viewshed Analysis - Non-Public Point 1

SOURCE: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014
FIGURE 27
Viewshed Analysis - Non-Public Point 3

SOURCE: Bing 2014; Fuscoe 2014

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APPENDIX B
Visual Resource Consistency Table

Table 1
Consistency with Applicable North County Metro Subregional Plan Visual Resources Policies

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<td>While the North County Metro Subregional Plan does not contain specific goals or policies for visual resources, it does identify specific areas requiring special attention “in order to conserve resources in a manner best satisfying public and private objectives” (County of San Diego 2011b). Resource Conservation Areas (RCAs) in the subregional plan area include scenic landforms including the Merriam Mountains. According to the North County subregional plan, within RCAs “County departments and other public agencies shall give careful consideration and special environmental analysis to all projects that they intend to carry out, propose, or approve.”</td>
<td>This appendix to the Visual Resources Report comprises one of many components associated with the environmental analysis of the Proposed Project. By virtue of preparing this visual resources report and the Environmental Impact Report, the Proposed Project is consistent with the visual resource policies of the North County Metro Subregional Plan and considers the identification of the Merriam Mountains as an RCA. It should be noted that the Project is composed of 1,985 acres and project design incorporates blocks of open space that would contribute to the preservation of large populations of target species (including rare plant) already detected on site. Furthermore, by concentrating development to the central and southern portions of the Project site and within lower elevation terrain, ridgeline development would be avoided and the natural characteristics of unaltered portions of the project site would be maintained.</td>
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Table 2
Consistency with Applicable I-15 Corridor Scenic Preservation Guidelines

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<td>Site Design, Site Planning Standards, Policy 1: Individual projects shall reinforce the character of the sites, the attributes of adjacent properties and preserve the viewsheds, natural topographic features and natural watercourses.</td>
<td>Consistent. The project would reinforce the character of the Site, the attributes of adjacent properties and preserve the viewsheds, natural topographic features and natural watercourses found on-Site. The project would preserve nearly three quarters of the Site’s existing natural topography, including natural watercourses, rock outcroppings, ridgelines, and peaks, and create a 1,209-acre habitat preserve. An additional 250 acres of the Site’s native habitat would remain but be subject to thinning and weed abatement to protect against wildland fires. The project would focus development between and away from ridgelines and the Site’s more prominent topographic features. The project’s network of streets was designed to largely parallel topography and was guided by the project’s system of drainages. Existing landforms and ridges north of Deer Springs Road would provide a buffer to minimize the proposed project’s visibility from Deer Springs Road and from properties immediately adjacent. Additionally, existing landforms and ridges along the east side of the project Site would provide a buffer to minimize the project’s visibility from I-15 and residential properties to</td>
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<td>the east. The project’s neighborhoods were designed such that the homes would sit below ridgelines to avoid the “silhouette” of homes against the ridgeline. The project would include many single story homes and would draw from the more rustic and equestrian elements of the surrounding communities to guide its architectural styles.</td>
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<td>In summary, the combination of the project’s proposed conservation of nearly three quarters of the natural topography, a development approach that focuses homes and streets between and away from ridgelines and peaks, and a project that avoids the silhouetting of homes against ridgelines along with architectural styles that pull from the surrounding communities would reinforce the character of the Site, the attributes of adjacent properties and preserve the viewsheds, natural topographic features and natural watercourses found onsite.</td>
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<td>Site Design, Site Planning Standards, Policy 4: Building orientation shall take maximum advantage of existing views and create view corridors.</td>
<td>Consistent. The project’s proposed neighborhoods have been planned in such a way that building orientation on individual home sites and building pads for multifamily buildings would take advantage of the predominant views to the north and east of the Site. The Knolls and Valley neighborhoods sit in the southeastern portions of the project Site and views from these two neighborhoods would of the Site’s ridgelines and hillsides surrounding the Valley planning area and to the south of the project Site looking toward Twin Oaks and San Marcos. In this way, the project’s various building sites would create new view corridors. Finally, the project includes a network of pedestrian pathways and trails with 36 acres of parks dispersed across the project Site and multiple locations where pedestrians, hikers, horseback riders, residents, and guests can enjoy scenic vistas of the surrounding area’s dramatic landscape.</td>
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<td>Site Design, Site Planning Standards, Policy 5: Ridge story projects can be highly sensitive and are generally discouraged; (a) Ridge projects shall maintain a low profile appearance and the natural physical character of the ridgeline shall be substantially maintained; (b) Ridgeline projects shall be limited to one story; (c) Ridgelines that have been graded or disturbed shall be supplemented with a sufficient amount of trees, shrubs, and ground cover to minimize visual impacts resulting from such disturbances.</td>
<td>Not Applicable. While the project Site contains several prominent ridgelines, the project itself does not propose development on top of its ridgelines and is, therefore, not a ridgeline project. Instead, the project would preserve the Site’s primary and secondary ridgelines and set its home sites and building pads below ridgelines. The project would also avoid grading impacts to nearly three quarters of the Site’s natural topography. Finally, the project includes a landscape concept plan that includes tree-lined streets and 36 acres of community and neighborhood parks helping to further minimize visual impacts.</td>
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<td><strong>Parking and Circulation Design Standards, Policy 2:</strong> Project entries shall provide for safe and efficient circulation; (a) Project entries and the transition from major circulation routes into the project interior shall be accomplished through the use of landforms, open space, landscape plantings, and architectural elements (i.e., wall, signs); (b) The number of driveway entrances into parking areas from public streets shall be minimized. Use of common easements for parking and circulation systems integrated between properties shall be encouraged; (c) Safety lighting shall be provided at all street intersections and on project drives, entries, walkways and parking areas.</td>
<td>Consistent. Project entries would provide for safe and efficient circulation. Project entries and the transition from major circulation routes into the project interior would be accomplished through the use of landforms, open space, landscaped medians and parkways, and architectural elements. The number of driveway entrances into parking areas from public streets would be minimized. The project would include safety lighting at all street intersections and on project drives, entries, walkways, and parking areas. For example, the project Site would have two primary access roads along Deer Springs Road at Mesa Rock Road and Sarver Lane, with an additional access point at Camino Mayor off of Twin Oaks Valley Road to the north. The primary access road at Mesa Rock Road would be a four-lane entry road with a median that transitions into a four-lane undivided road farther into the project Site. On-site roadways would be constructed within and between the different planning areas where development would occur. These roadways would primarily consist of main roads with a pavement width of 34 feet that mostly run between the developed planning areas, and residential streets approximately 32 to 40 feet wide that generally traverse within a planning area. Further, site lighting would provide a critical safety function. Lighting would provide minimum illumination for safety while minimizing ambient light spill. Pedestrian lighting would be provided for entry areas, courtyards, and other public gathering spaces. Parks would have minimum security lighting. Low-level lighting would be provided along trails, roads, and throughout each neighborhood.</td>
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<td><strong>Site Lighting Standards, Policy 1:</strong> Site lighting shall minimize emission of light rays into both the night sky and neighboring properties, especially as it pertains to Mt. Palomar Observatory; (a) Site lighting shall be limited to that necessary for security, safety and identification and shall be integrated with project landscape design.</td>
<td>Consistent. The project's lighting would minimize emission of light rays into both the night sky and neighboring properties and be limited to that necessary for security, safety and identification, and would be integrated with project landscape design. For example, all Class I, II, and III lighting installed throughout the project as well as street lighting along offsite road improvements would comply with the applicable requirements of the County of San Diego Light Pollution Code Section 59.101 et seq. Further, site lighting would provide security, safety, and identification. Lighting would provide minimum illumination for safety while minimizing ambient light spill. Pedestrian lighting would be provided for entry areas, courtyards, and other public gathering spaces. Parks would have minimum security lighting.</td>
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<td><strong>Site Lighting Standards, Policy 2:</strong> Site lighting plans that conflict with the character of the community shall be discouraged.</td>
<td><strong>Consistent.</strong> Refer to the above consistency analysis for Site Lighting Standards, Policy 1.</td>
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<td><strong>Landscape Design Standards, Policy 2:</strong> Project boundary landscaping shall compliment adjacent landforms and plant materials.</td>
<td><strong>Consistent.</strong> Project boundary landscaping shall compliment adjacent landforms and plant materials. For instance, the proposed project’s landscape character would be informed by the natural terrain. The overall landscape theme would embody a native low-water use/drought-tolerant landscape character and include preservation and re-use of natural site boulders paired with oak trees and other native plants, allowing for a visual blend between the site’s developed areas and the surrounding native habitat. The project’s perimeter would be protected with a Fuel Modification Zone 2 area, a 150-foot-wide area of native vegetation thinned and kept free of weeds but retaining its native plant species.</td>
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<td><strong>Landscape Design Standards, Policy 3:</strong> Landscape plans shall utilize native and drought tolerant plants, where possible, per the plant list provided by County staff.</td>
<td><strong>Consistent.</strong> In accordance with the County’s native plant list, the project’s landscape plan would utilize native and drought tolerant plants, where possible and where not in conflict with fuel modification and wildland/urban interface requirements applicable to the project. Please see the response to Site Lighting Standards, Policy 2 above.</td>
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<td><strong>Landscape Design Standards, Policy 4:</strong> Trees and plantings adjacent to pedestrian paths and within parking areas shall be selected to enhance the human scale; (a) Tree canopies shall be encouraged to soften the visual impact of vehicular circulation and parking areas, and relieve them from heat build-up. Trees shall be placed away from entrances to buildings, parking lots, and street intersections for visibility and safety, where possible; (b) Low-scale plantings shall be located adjacent to driveway entrances and street corners, where possible, and shall not obscure drive visibility; (c) Parking areas shall be visually screened with peripheral landscaping, wherever feasible. Exposed vehicular use areas shall include a minimum of 10% of the paved areas in landscaping dispersed throughout the parking area.</td>
<td><strong>Consistent.</strong> The project’s trees and plantings adjacent to pedestrian paths and within parking areas would be selected to enhance the human scale. Tree canopies would be installed to soften the visual impact or vehicular circulation and parking areas, and would relieve heat build-up. Trees would be placed away from entrances to buildings, parking lots, and street intersections for visibility and safety, where possible. Low-scale plantings would be located adjacent to driveway entrances and street corners, where possible, and would not obscure drive visibility. Parking areas would be visually screened with peripheral landscaping, wherever feasible. Exposed vehicular use would include a minimum of 10% of the paved areas in landscaping dispersed throughout the parking area.</td>
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<td><strong>Development Standards for Steep Topography and Natural Features, Policy 1:</strong> Extensive grading of slope areas within viewsheds will be minimized; (a) Revegetation and erosion control shall be provided in all newly graded areas.</td>
<td><strong>Consistent.</strong> The proposed project would minimize extensive grading of slope areas within viewsheds, and would provide revegetation and erosion control in newly graded areas. For example, the project would preserve nearly three quarters of the Site’s natural topography and drainages, particularly those areas of the Site visible from the I-15 corridor. In addition, where possible the project would use grade changes within individual neighborhoods as opposed to more conventional mass grading techniques to create separation between different land uses and to step up and down the Site. Consistent with the County’s grading</td>
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### Table 2

**Consistency with Applicable I-15 Corridor Scenic Preservation Guidelines**

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<td><strong>Development Standards for Steep Topography and Natural Features, Policy 2:</strong> Hillside development shall be integrated with existing topography and landforms. Areas of steep topography, tree stands, hillside agricultural activity, and rock outcroppings shall be respected and preserved.</td>
<td>Consistent. The proposed project integrates hillside development with existing topography and landforms. No agricultural activities exist within the project Site boundaries, however much of the Site’s steep topography, tree stands, and rock outcroppings would be respected and preserved. Please see the response to Site Design, Site Planning Standards, Policy 1 and Development Standards for Steep Topography and Natural Features, Policy 1 above.</td>
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<td><strong>Development Standards for Steep Topography and Natural Features, Policy 3:</strong> Variety in the development of hillsides shall be encouraged through the use of appropriate site preparation techniques, grading techniques, and in the configuration, size, and placement of lots.</td>
<td>Consistent. The project would include a variety of housing types on a range of lot sizes, including multifamily building sites and grade adaptive home sites, and implement a site design approach that maximizes conformance to and integration of the Site’s existing natural topography to locate and grade the project’s seven distinct neighborhoods. Please see the response to Site Design, Site Planning Standards, Policy 1 and Development Standards for Steep Topography and Natural Features, Policy 1 and Policy 2 above.</td>
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<td><strong>Development Standards for Steep Topography and Natural Features, Policy 6:</strong> The visual quality shall be maximized and the erosion potential shall be minimized by planting native and naturalized plants, especially in disturbed areas adjacent to upgraded hillsides and watercourses.</td>
<td>Consistent. The project Site’s visual quality would be maximized and the erosion potential minimized by planting native and naturalized plants. Please see the response to Landscape Design Standards, Policy 2 and Policy 3, and Development Standards for Steep Topography and Natural Features, Policy 1 above.</td>
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<td><strong>Development Standards for Steep Topography and Natural Features, Policy 8:</strong> Any grading above 25% slope will blend with the surrounding area, and be landscaped appropriately to look natural.</td>
<td>Consistent. All of the project’s manufactured slopes would be landscaped with a plant palette that includes a variety of Southern California native and California-friendly low-water use plants and trees to blend with the surrounding area.</td>
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<td><strong>Architectural Design, Policy 1:</strong> Building forms, materials, and colors shall complement adjacent topography, landscape, and buildings in the area; (1) Architectural harmony with the surrounding community shall be achieved through the use of natural appearing materials and complementary styles; (2) Colors for primary building forms shall be coordinated with landscaping materials. Earthtones and muted pastels are preferred for large areas, with primary colors limited to accent points and trim; (4) Where a site is visible from higher elevations, roof forms shall be considered integral design elements with consideration given to colors and pattern of roofing materials and (5) The use of mirrored glass, which can cause the sun to glare into</td>
<td>Consistent. The specific materials and styles of proposed commercial and residential uses have yet to be designed, but the project would ensure consistency with adjacent topography and landscape. Site planning for the proposed project took into account existing landforms and topography by concentrating development between and away from ridgelines. Earthtones and muted pastels would be preferred during the selection of project building colors, accents, and trims. Due to the Site’s proximity to I-15, the use of mirrored glass is prohibited and thus would not be utilized in project construction.</td>
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<td>drivers’ eyes and, is therefore, a potential safety hazard, shall be prohibited on buildings visible from I-15.</td>
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<td><strong>Architectural Design, Policy B:</strong> Building forms shall be of appropriate scale, provide visual interest, avoid block-like configurations, and, where feasible, be integrated into the existing topography; (3) Building forms shall be scaled to step up and away from primary circulation routes and from each other; parallel and continuous building facades and paved surfaces shall be avoided, where possible.</td>
<td>Consistent. Please refer to the response to Architectural Design, Policy 1 above.</td>
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<td><strong>Architectural Design, Policy C:</strong> Signage shall not adversely impact the environmental and visual quality of the area; (1) All signs shall be limited to the minimum size and height necessary to adequately identify a business location; (2) All signs shall be kept as low to the ground as possible; (3) Signs shall be used for identification, not advertisement; (4) Signage design shall be carefully integrated with the site and building design concepts to create a unified appearance for the total development; (5) Signs shall be predominately constructed of natural materials, non-moving, and externally illuminated; and (6) Off-premise signs shall be prohibited, except for temporary real estate directional, community identification, and directional signs, as specified in Section 6207 of the County Zoning Ordinance.</td>
<td>Consistent. All signage installed on the project Site would be limited to the minimum size and height necessary to adequately identify neighborhoods and business locations. Signs would be installed and kept as low to the ground as possible. A detailed signage program has not yet been developed, but signs would incorporate natural materials and would not feature moving components or externally illuminated lighting. The use of off-premise signs would be consistent with Section 6207 of the County Zoning Ordinance.</td>
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### Table 3
Consistency with Applicable Bonsall Community Plan Visual Resources Policies

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<td><strong>Policy LU-1.1.3:</strong> Require development to be sensitive to the topography, physical context, and community character of Bonsall.</td>
<td>Consistent. See response to San Diego County General Plan Policy CCS-11.3, above. Site planning for the proposed project considers existing landforms and topography and concentrates development between and away from prominent ridgelines. Neighborhoods are designed to be compact and clustered, and as a result, the impact of development on open space and prominent landforms is reduced. Where possible, streets are designed to parallel topography.</td>
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According to the Bonsall Community Plan, the area “consists primarily of low-density estate residential agricultural and equestrian uses. Houses are generally located far apart and randomly, on hillsides and hilltops, as well as in valleys.”
## Table 3
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<td>Surrounding the house are large open spaces composed of fallow fields, undisturbed native vegetation and agriculture.</td>
<td>While the project proposes residential density atypical from that of the low-density estate type residential common in the Bonsall Community Plan Area (CPA), residential and commercial development on the project site would be physically and visually separated from the majority of existing development within the CPA. Of the approximate 1,985 acres comprising the project site, 97 acres are located within the Bonsall CPA and these lands would not be developed by the project applicant. Rather, the entirety of the project site located in the Bonsall CPA (and northern half of the project site located in the North County Metro Subregional CPA) would be designated Open Space (Conservation). In addition, the northernmost residential development on the project site in the North County Metro Subregional CPA would be located nearly 0.5-mile south of Bonsall CPA boundary and would be separated by designated open space consisting of dense chaparral, steep ridgelines, and boulder outcrops. Proposed development would be located primarily in the lower, less visually prominent valley areas on the project site. Because the portion of the project site located in the Bonsall CPA would be designated Open Space (Conservation) and would not be developed and because proposed development on the project site would be visually buffered from rural residential and agricultural uses to the north in the Bonsall CPA, the proposed project would be consistent with this policy.</td>
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<td><strong>Policy LU-1.2.1:</strong> Require development that is designed to be consistent with the rural character of the Bonsall community.</td>
<td><strong>Consistent.</strong> See consistency analysis for Policy LU-1.1-3, above.</td>
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<td><strong>Policy LU-3.1.2:</strong> Require subdivision design to minimize adverse impacts to community character, or to the environment, and to mitigate any impacts from other constraints on the land that could not be avoided. Require mitigation actions to remain within the CPA.</td>
<td><strong>Consistent.</strong> See consistency analysis for Bonsall CPA Policy LU-1.1.3, above.</td>
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<td><strong>Policy LU-3.1.5:</strong> Preserve ridgelines by siting buildings below ridges or set back with sufficient distance to minimize visual impacts. Encourage screening to visually shield all structures, including the use of vegetation, as well as appropriate and varied building materials.</td>
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## Table 3
Consistency with Applicable Bonsall Community Plan Visual Resources Policies

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<td>Policy LU-5.1.4: Restrict, to the maximum extent feasible, extensive grading for development projects in areas with slopes that are 20 percent or greater, in order to preserve and protect the environment, and to lessen grading and erosion.</td>
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<td>Policy LU-5.1.5: Require development on slopes to be stepped to follow and preserve topography to the maximum extent feasible.</td>
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<td>Policy CM-5.1.3: Require new development to provide trees, in compliance with the suggested trees for defensible space, within the development but along and outside of the public right of way.</td>
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<td>Policy COS-1.4.1: Discourage street lighting, unless necessary for safety. Require street lighting to meet basic safety standards and the County Light Pollution Code, Ordinance #7155.</td>
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