

CHAPTER 3 ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS FOUND NOT TO BE SIGNIFICANT**3.1 Effects Found Not Significant as Part of the EIR Process**

During the environmental impact report (EIR) process, the County of San Diego examined a wide range of potential impacts associated with Otay Ranch Village 14 and Planning Areas 16/19 (Proposed Project) to determine whether they required a thorough analysis or whether they were so obviously “not significant” as to warrant no further review. In this case, “not significant” topics are impacts to the following resource areas:

- 3.1.1 Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- 3.1.2 Hydrology and Water Quality
- 3.1.3 Land Use and Planning
- 3.1.4 Mineral Resources
- 3.1.5 Population and Housing
- 3.1.6 Public Services
- 3.1.7 Recreation
- 3.1.8 Utilities and Service Systems
- 3.1.9 Energy
- 3.1.10 Mandatory Findings of Significance

These environmental topics are discussed in this chapter of the EIR. The 1993 Otay Ranch PEIR and Mitigation Monitoring Program (MMP) identified mitigation measures to reduce the significant impacts of the Otay Ranch GDP/SRP. This EIR conducted a new analysis of the Proposed Project’s specific impacts, using updated technical reports that account for changes in conditions, both environmental and regulatory, that have occurred since 1993 when the PEIR was certified. Based on this updated, project-specific analysis, some of the significant impacts identified in the Otay Ranch PEIR regarding the issues discussed in Chapter 3 of this EIR are not expected to occur with implementation of the Proposed Project. For this reason, the mitigation measures adopted in 1993 to address such impacts are no longer necessary. Appendix 2-1 is a matrix, entitled “1993 GDP/SRP EIR Mitigation Measure Compliance,” which identifies how the 1993 PEIR MMP mitigation measures have been satisfied.

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