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This Final EIR consists of three volumes:

VOLUME I: RESPONSE TO COMMENTS

VOLUME II: FINAL EIR TEXT

VOLUME III: FINAL EIR APPENDICES (BOUND UNDER A SEPARATE COVER)

The Final EIR is an informational document that must be considered by the City of Hollister Public Works Department (the lead agency) before the City Council approves or rejects the Proposed Project. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) *Guidelines* (Section 15132) specify that:

The Final EIR shall consist of:

- (a) The Draft EIR or a revision of that draft. (Volume II)
- (b) Comments and recommendations received on the Draft EIR either verbatim or in summary. (Volume I)
- (c) A list of persons, organizations, and public agencies commenting on the Draft EIR. (Volume I)
- (d) The responses of the Lead Agency to significant environmental points raised in the review and consultation process. (Volume I)
- (e) Any other information added by the Lead Agency. (Volume III)

In addition to certification and consideration of the Final EIR in approving the Proposed Project, the City Council is required to make findings of fact regarding the significant environmental impacts identified in the Final EIR and project alternatives, as well as a statement of overriding considerations for significant impacts, which cannot be mitigated. The findings, and any statement of overriding considerations, are made after the Planning Commission has considered and certified the Final EIR and are included in the public record.