

**NEGATIVE DECLARATION**  
**Use Permit UP-3-08**  
**State Clearinghouse No. \_\_\_\_\_**

***SUBJECT***

Use Permit Application UP-3-08, by Axner Excavating, Inc.

***PROJECT DESCRIPTION***

The project proposal includes stockpiling and recycling of soils, concrete, asphalt concrete, and green waste. The stockpiling of soils materials includes the import and export of approximately 6,000 cubic yards of soils materials per year. The recycling of concrete and asphalt-concrete materials will include stockpiling and on-site crushing of approximately 6,000 cubic yards of material per year. The recycling of green-waste materials includes stockpiling and chipping/shredding of plant materials.

The site will primarily be used by Axner Excavating to support its construction-related business activities, which often result in excess soils and concrete/asphalt-concrete construction-waste materials, and will also be open to the public for the disposal of concrete, asphalt, and soils materials. The stockpiled soils would be exported from the site and used when fill soil is required for an Axner construction project, and concrete/asphalt-concrete waste materials will be recycled on-site and then exported off-site to be used in Axner construction projects.

***ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING***

The project site is currently a vacant, undeveloped parcel and is located in close proximity to Clear Creek. The project site is surrounded by heavy-industrial uses, including heavy-truck repair, sand and gravel extraction and processing, and concrete-products manufacturing.

***FINDINGS AND DETERMINATION***

The City of Redding conducted an Initial Study (attached), which determined that there is no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record, that the project may have a significant effect on the environment. The preparation of an environmental impact report will not be required. If there are substantial changes that alter the character or impacts of the proposed project, another environmental impact determination will be necessary.

- 1. Based on the whole record (including the Initial Study and any supporting documentation), the City of Redding has determined that there is no substantial evidence that the project will have a significant effect on the environment.**
- 2. The Negative Declaration, with its supporting documentation, reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the lead agency, which is the City of Redding.**

***DOCUMENTATION***

The attached Initial Study documents the reasons to support the above determination.

***PUBLIC REVIEW DISTRIBUTION***

Draft copies or notice of this Negative Declaration were distributed to:

- Shasta County Clerk
- State Clearinghouse
- All property owners within 300 feet of the project
- Butte Environmental Council
- Defenders of Wildlife
- California Native Plant Society
- Regional Water Quality Control Board
- Shasta County Air Quality Management District

***PUBLIC REVIEW***

- Draft document referred for comments February 5, 2009.
- No comments were received during the public review period.
- Comments were received but did not address the draft Negative Declaration findings or the accuracy/completeness of the Initial Study. No response is necessary. The letters are attached.
- Comments addressing the findings of the draft Negative Declaration and/or accuracy or completeness of the Initial Study were received during the public review period. The letters and responses follow (see Response to Comments, attached).

**Copies of the Negative Declaration, the Initial Study, and documentation materials may be obtained at the Planning Division of the Development Services Department, City of Redding, 777 Cypress Avenue, Redding, CA 96001. Contact Assistant Planner Brandon Rogers at 530-225-4365.**

February 2, 2009  
Date of Draft Report

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Date of Final Report

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**Attachments:**

- A. Location map
- B. Initial Study
- C. Comments and Response to Comments (if any)