



# County of Yolo

## NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION

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## YOLO COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY** of the  
RESPONSES TO COMMENTS ON THE  
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT on the  
GRANITE ESPARTO MINING AND RECLAMATION PROJECT

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING/HEARING** on the  
GRANITE ESPARTO MINING AND RECLAMATION PROJECT

DATE: October 21, 2010  
TO: Interested Agencies and Individuals  
FROM: Yolo County Administrator's Office, Natural Resources Division

**The Responses to Comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) (SCH #2009022036) for the Granite Esparto Mining and Reclamation Project are now available for review and/or purchase. A public meeting on the project will be held by the Esparto Community Advisory Committee on November 16, 2010. Once dates have been chosen, separate public notice will be provided for public hearings on the project before the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors. More information is provided herein.**

The property is located on 390 acres in central Yolo County, adjoining County Road 87, approximately one mile north of the town of Esparto. The project site is comprised of two adjacent parcels, APN 048-220-022 (286.4 acres) on the north and APN 048-220-015 (103.6 acres) on the south. The site encompasses the active channel of Cache Creek and a portion of the relatively flat terrace north of the creek.

Aggregate mining and processing is proposed on 313 acres of the 390-acre total. The applicant, Granite Construction Company, proposes the mining of about 30 million tons (26.1 million tons sold maximum) of aggregate over a 30-year period at a rate of about one million tons per year (870,000 tons sold maximum).

The project requires the following approvals from the County: Rezoning of the property to change the Sand and Gravel Reserve (SGR) combining zone to the Sand and Gravel (SG) combining zone, approval of an Off-Channel Mining Permit, approval of a Reclamation Plan, approval of 20 percent exceedance under Section 10.4-405 of the County Code, relinquishment of existing mining entitlements

on the Woodland "Reiff" Site (APN 025-300-005, 025-300-032, and 025-350-009), authorization to execute a Development Agreement, approval of a Demolition Permit, approval of a Streambank Stabilization Plan to allow mining within setbacks established under Section 10-4.428(d) of the County Code, and approval of a Flood Hazard Development Permit (FHDP).

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the County has prepared a Responses to Comments document that addresses comments received on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) during the public comment period. The Responses to Comments document and the Draft EIR together comprise the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project.

**The Responses to Comments document is now available for public review or purchase** at County Planning Division at 292 West Beamer Street, Woodland, CA 95696. The document is available in hard copy and in electronic format (CD ROM). The document is also available for public review at the Esparto Branch Library at 17065 Yolo Avenue in Esparto, and on the County website at <http://www.yolocounty.org/index.aspx?page=1799>. Please contact Jeff Anderson, Assistant Planner, County Planning Division at (530) 666-8036 should you wish to purchase a copy. For more information about the project please contact Heidi Tschudin at (916) 447-1809 or [htschudin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:htschudin@sbcglobal.net).

**A public meeting on the project will be held before the Esparto Community Advisory Committee** on November 16, 2010 at 7:00 pm in the Esparto Branch Library at 17065 Yolo Avenue in Esparto. The Committee will discuss the project and make a recommendation to the Planning Commission regarding action on the project.

**A public hearing will be held before the Planning Commission** to receive public comments on the project and make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors on whether to approve, modify, or deny the project. The date for this hearing has not yet been determined. Separate notice of this hearing will be provided.

**A public hearing will be held before the Board of Supervisors** to take final action to approve, modify, or deny the project. The date for this hearing has not yet been determined. Separate notice of this hearing will be provided.

There will be no transcription of oral comments at these meetings/hearings. Those who wish to have their verbatim comments incorporated into the record must submit their comments in writing a minimum of 48 hours in advance of the start of the meeting/hearing.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a disabled person and you need a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in these hearings, please contact Clerk of the Board at (530) 666-8195. Please make your request as early as possible and at least one-full business day before the start of the meeting.