Teichert Shifler Mining and Reclamation Project

Yolo County Planning Commission
Thursday, December 9, 2021

HEARING OVERVIEW

- 1. Staff Presentation
- 2. Applicant Remarks
- 3. Questions from Commissioners
- 4. Public Comments
- 5. Commission Discussion
- 6. Commission Action

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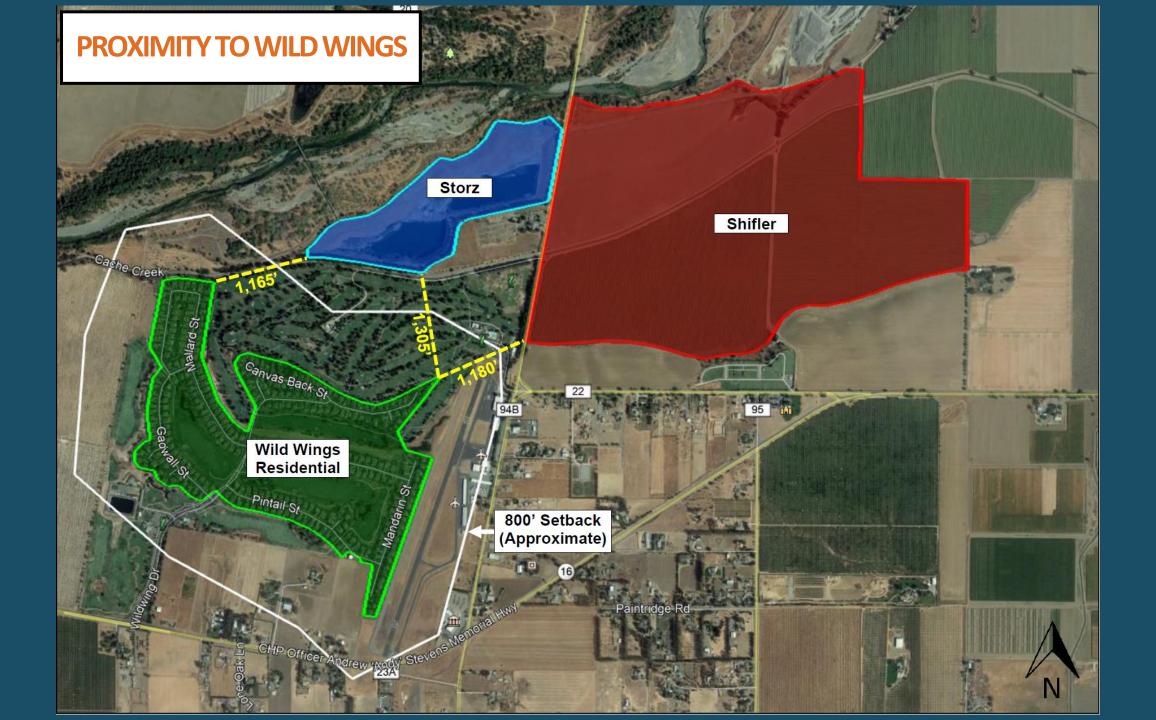
Component	Recommended
Mining Area	264 acres
Reclamation Area	319 acres
Total Tonnage	35.4 mil tons mined
Maximum Annual Tonnage	2.12 mil tons mined/year
20% Market Exceedance	No
Creek Buffer	250 feet minimum
Canal Relocation	No
Haul Route and Hours of Operation	No change from existing

COMMENTS RECEIVED

- 60 comment letters on NOP
- 38 Comment Letters on Draft EIR
- 74 Comment Letters Since Release of Final EIR
- Comments on environmental issues fall within the scope of the EIR
- Responses provided on all comments

KEY ISSUES RAISED IN COMMENTS

- Wild Wings
 - Proximity
 - Property Values
 - Disclosures
- Sustainability
- Various Environmental Concerns
 - Agricultural Resources
 - Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources
 - Water Quality and Quantity
 - Mercury
 - Other Analyzed Issues



PROPERTY VALUES

• The proximity of aggregate mining operations to residentially-designated property in Yolo County has not negatively impacted home values, primarily because the aggregate mining was in place for decades prior to the development and sale of these units, and therefore was already internalized in the property values. (BAE Urban Economics' Aggregate Mining Economic Analysis, 2021)

DISCLOSURES

- 1984 Monument Hills Specific Plan
- 1996 Off Channel Mining Plan
- 1996 Cache Creek Resources Management Plan
- 2003 Condition of Approval #C.6: "The CC&R's shall state the following notices: ... 3. It is the policy of the County of Yolo to protect lands in the vicinity of sand and gravel mining operations that may lead to safety or nuisance hazards near sand and gravel operations and conversely uses that may imperil the continued operation of the sand and gravel mining. Property owners of the Wild Wing Country Club shall recognize the rights of the sand and gravel industry to conduct mining operations and practices in compliance with the sand and gravel overlay zone and their approved state and county permits".
- 2003 Condition of Approval #F.1: "The Final Subdivision Map shall show a "Sand and Gravel Mining Operations and Extraction Easement" providing for noise, vibrations, fumes, smoke, dust, and safety conducted with a sand and gravel mining operation to protect the rights of adjacent mining operators. Said Sand and Gravel Mining Operations and Extraction Easement shall be by separate instrument approved as to form by the County Counsel of Yolo County, and the Director of the Yolo County Community Development Agency and shall be referenced on and recorded simultaneously with the Final Subdivision Map. Said easement shall be made available to the owner(s) of said adjacent mining operations prior to the recordation of the Final Subdivision Map for comment."

DISCLOSURES (continued)

- 2003 Subdivision Map Notes: "All lots and parcels shown hereon are subject to a "Sand and Gravel Mining Operations and Extraction" easement to protect the rights of adjacent property owners conducting mining operations per Document No. 2003-0032880."
- 2003 Condition of Approval #F.2: "No residential units shall be constructed within eight hundred feet (800') of any approved sand and gravel mining operation located within Cache Creek existing at the date of approval of the Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map."
- 2003 CC&R, Section 4.19: "Notice Regarding Sand and Gravel Mining It is the policy of the County of Yolo to protect lands in the vicinity of sand and gravel mining operations that may lead to safety or nuisance hazards near sand and gravel operations and conversely uses that may imperil the continued operation of the sand and gravel mining. Owners within the Wild Wings Development shall recognize the rights of the sand and gravel industry to conduct mining operations and practices in compliance with the sand and gravel overlay zone and their approved state and county permits."

DISCLOSURES (continued)

- 2003 CC&R, Section 4.19: "Ongoing Operations Owner acknowledges that sand and gravel mining operations are being conducted to the north of the Development across Cache Creek, currently by Teichert Aggregates ("Teichert"). Declarant has entered into an Easement Agreement (Sand and Gravel Mining Operations) regarding such operations, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit F. Owner is hereby given notice of the content of such Easement Agreement."
- 2003 Easement Agreement
- 2009 Countywide General Plan
- 2018 Cache Creek Parkway Plan, Baseline Inventory
- 2020 Cache Creek Parkway Plan, Master Plan
- 2019 Cache Creek Area Plan Update

SUSTAINABILITY

- Consistent with General Plan
- Consistent with Climate Action Plan
- Consistent with CEQA (Section 15183.5(b))
- Consistent with CCAP Update Final EIR
- Local Source of Gravel
- Incentives for Recycling
- Reductions in Numbers of Plants
- Electric Conveyor System
- Woodland Plant Upgrades
- Woodland Plant Recycling Program
- Proximity to Market
- Vehicle Fleet Conversion
- Project-Level GHG Reduction Plan (MM 4.3-7)
- Electric Vehicle Charging Plan (MM 4.3-8)
- Applicant Green Energy Portfolio Commitments (Appendix I, Final EIR)

AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES

- General Plan and CCAP constrain mining acreage
- Analyzed in CCAP Update EIR
- Project impacts to 258 acres of farmland
- Reclamation of a minimum of 113 acres to agriculture
- Permanent protection of a minimum of 145 acres of farmland
- Dedication of 212 acres of additional Parkway land as "equivalent" net gains

TRIBAL CONSULTATION

- CEQA Coordination
- Cultural Resources Assessment and Peer Review
- Tribal Cultural Resources Consideration and Field Testing
- Tribal Consultation
- Tribal Monitoring Agreement
- Operator Awareness Training

WATER QUALITY AND QUANTITY

- Required Monitoring and Reporting
- History of Monitoring and Reporting
- Teichert Shifler Studies:
 - Feb. 2016 Groundwater Conditions Report (Appendix L to Final EIR)
 - Dec. 2019 Supplemental Analysis to Groundwater Conditions Report (Appendix K1 to Draft EIR)
 - Feb. 2020 Effects on Wild Wings wells from proposed operations at Shifler (water levels, water quality, arsenic). (Appendix K1 to Draft EIR)
 - Feb. 2020 Alternative Mining Pit Configuration (Moore Canal Retention Alternative) (Appendix O2 to the Draft EIR
 - Oct. 2020 Alternative Routing of Canal South of Pit (Moore Canal Southern Alternative) (Appendix Q2 to the Draft EIR)
 - Apr. 2021 Technical Memo (Appendix E to Final EIR) More information and background on arsenic
- Conclusions

MERCURY

- Legacy Contaminant
- Known Existing Condition
- Status of Soil, Water, or Air
- CCAP Bioaccumulation Requirements (Section 10-5.517)
- Maintenance and Remediation Fee
- Presentation from Dr. Darell Slotton

OTHER ANALYZED ISSUES

- Aesthetics
- Air Quality, GHGs, and Energy
- Biological Resources
- Geology and Soils, Mineral Resources, Paleontological Resources
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Land Use and Planning
- Noise
- Public Services, Utilities, Service Systems
- Transportation and Circulation
- Cumulative Impacts
- Alternatives

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

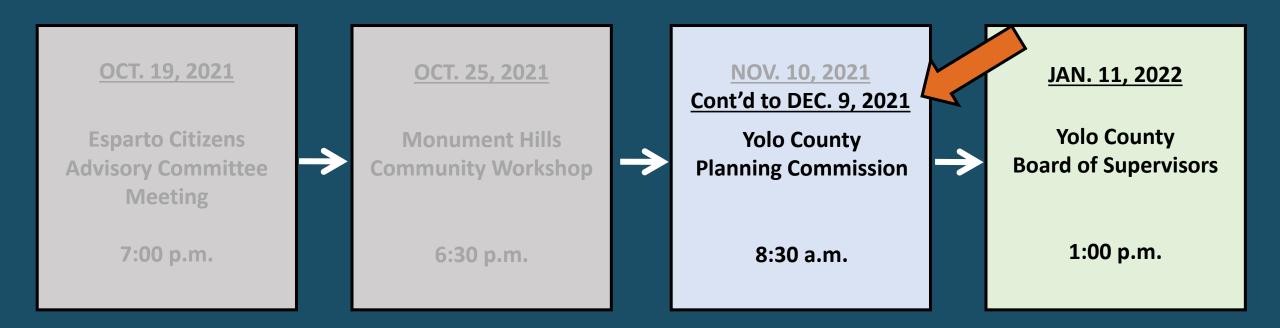
- Documented important gravel reserve
- Consistent with General Plan, CCAP, and CAP
- Minimizes impacts to surrounding land uses and environment
- Minimizes and mitigates impacts to farmland
- Reduction in annual and total tonnage
- Consolidates plant sites and upgrades Woodland Plant
- Important net gains and open space benefits
- Economic and fiscal benefits

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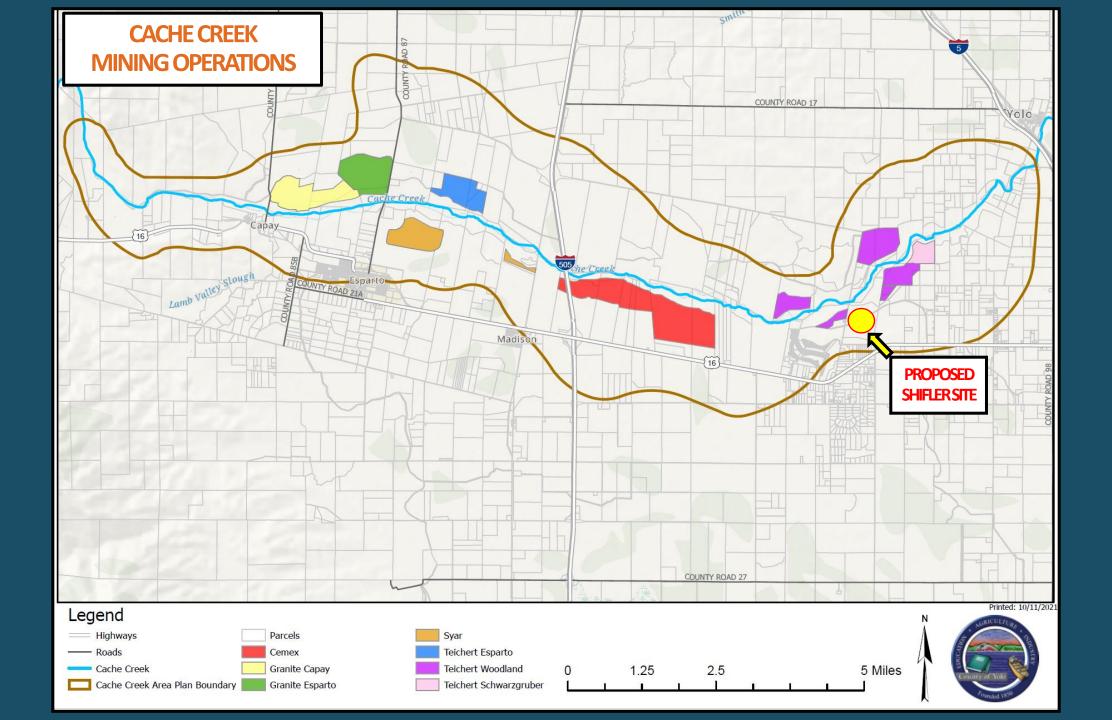


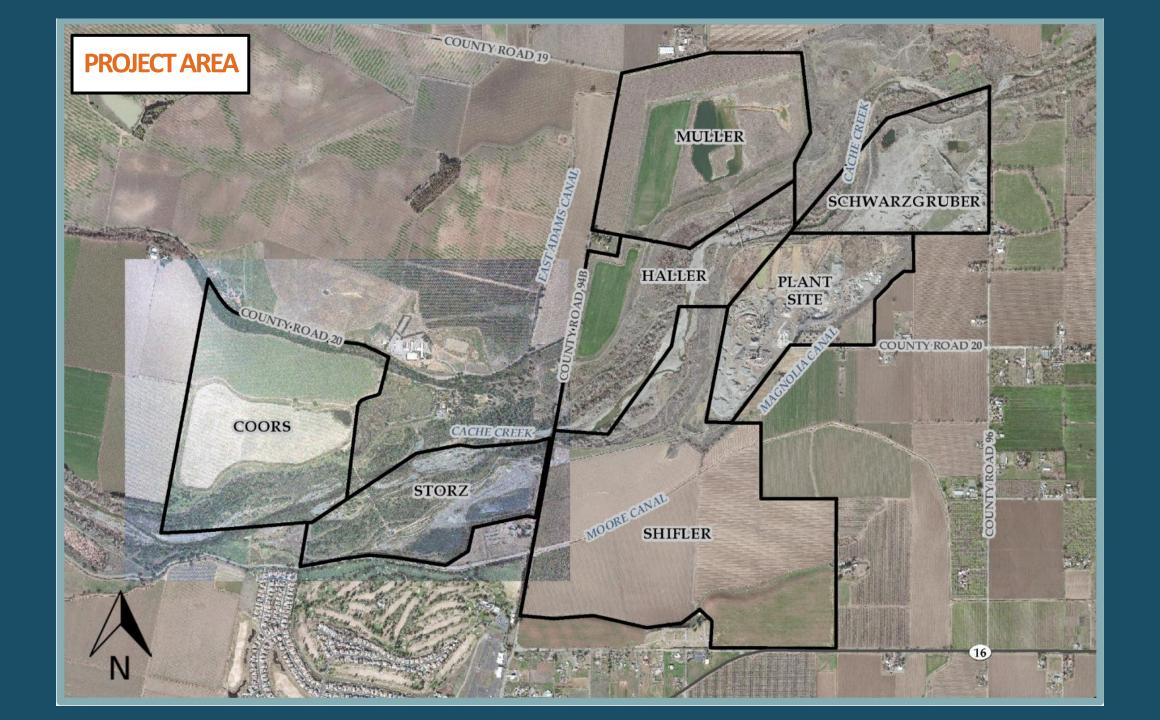
Project information can be accessed online at: www.yolonaturalresources.org

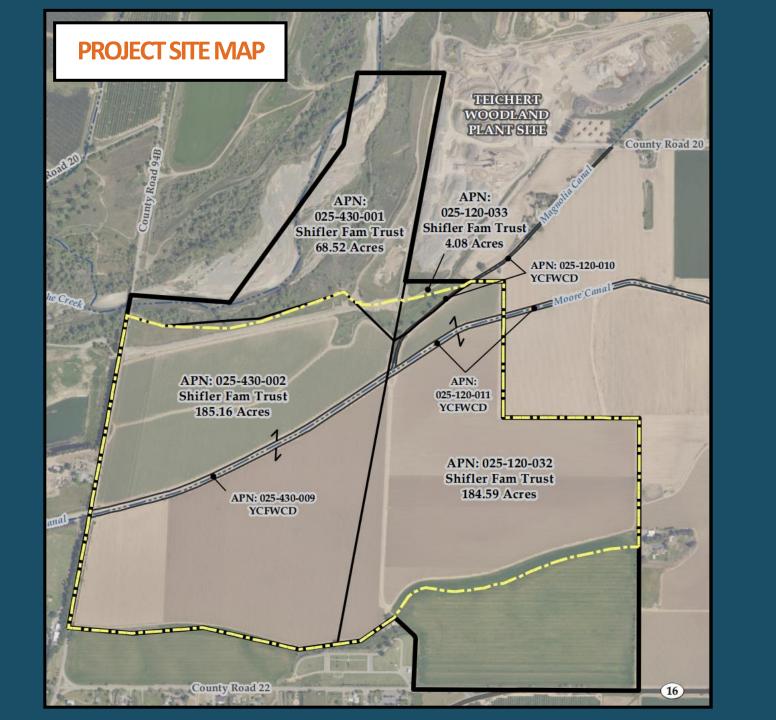
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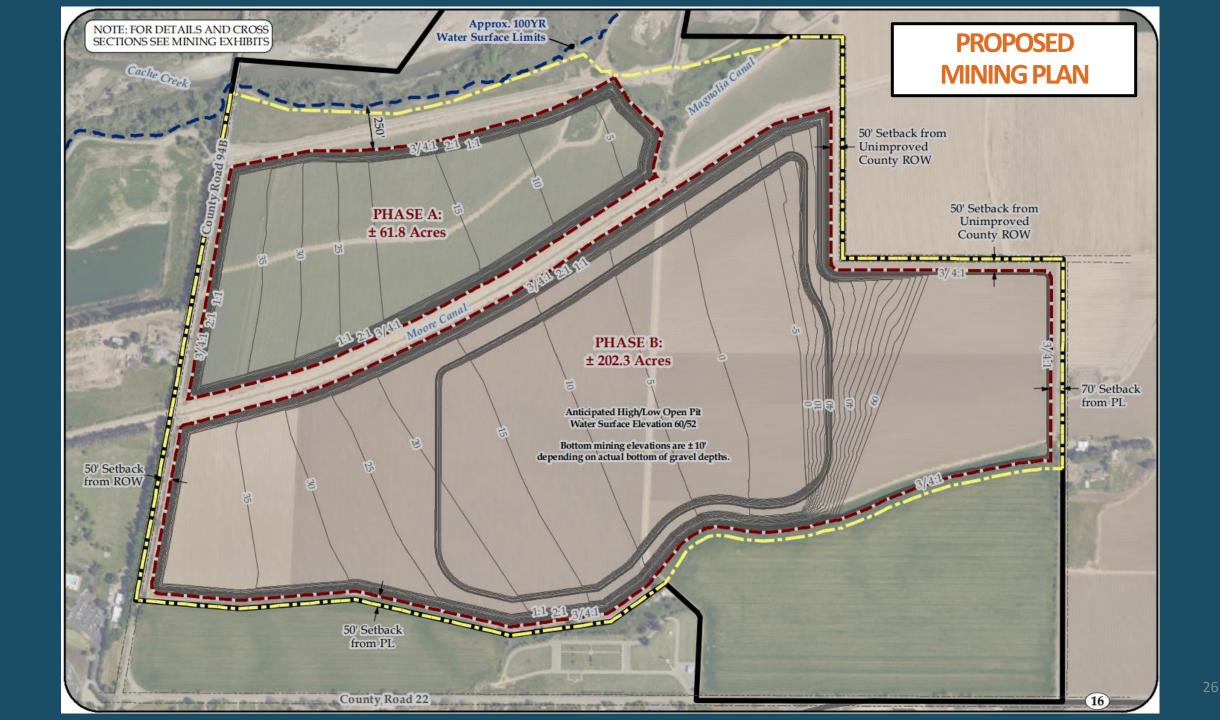
PROJECT PROPOSAL

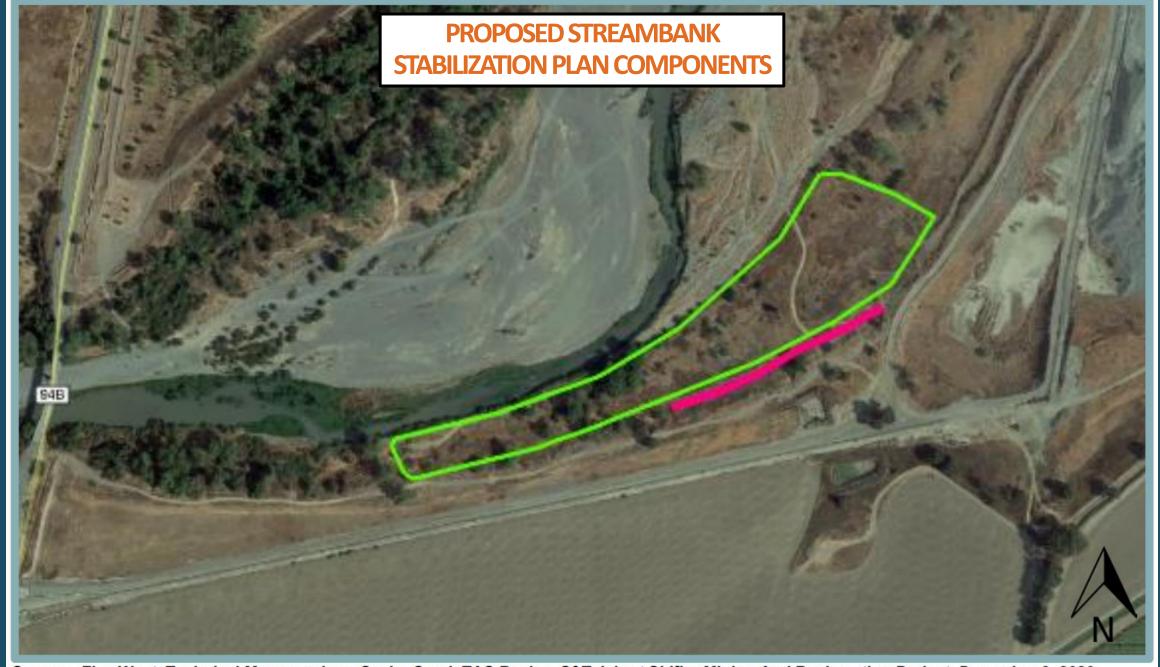
- Proposed project site 319 acres of 442-acre Shifler property
- Proposed mining area 264 acres (other mining-related activity on 55 acres)
- Mining of 35.4 mil tons total (30.0 mil tons sold) over 30 years
- Maximum mining of 2.6 mil tons annually (2.2 mil tons sold) with 20% Exceedance
- Transfer of tonnage allocation from Esparto and Schwarzgruber permits
- Mining depths of 40 to 110 feet
- Authorize mining within Streamway Influence Zone
- Processing to occur at Teichert Woodland Plant
- No change in approved haul route or hours of operation
- Reclamation to agriculture, lake, and habitat



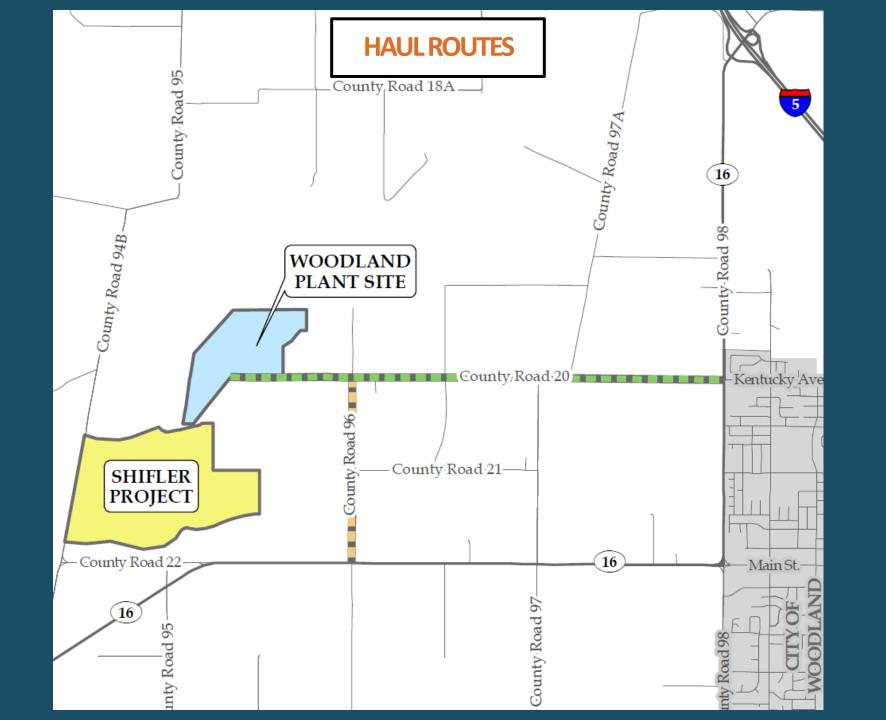








Source: FlowWest. Technical Memorandum: Cache Creek TAC Review Of Teichert Shifler Mining And Reclamation Project. December 3, 2020.



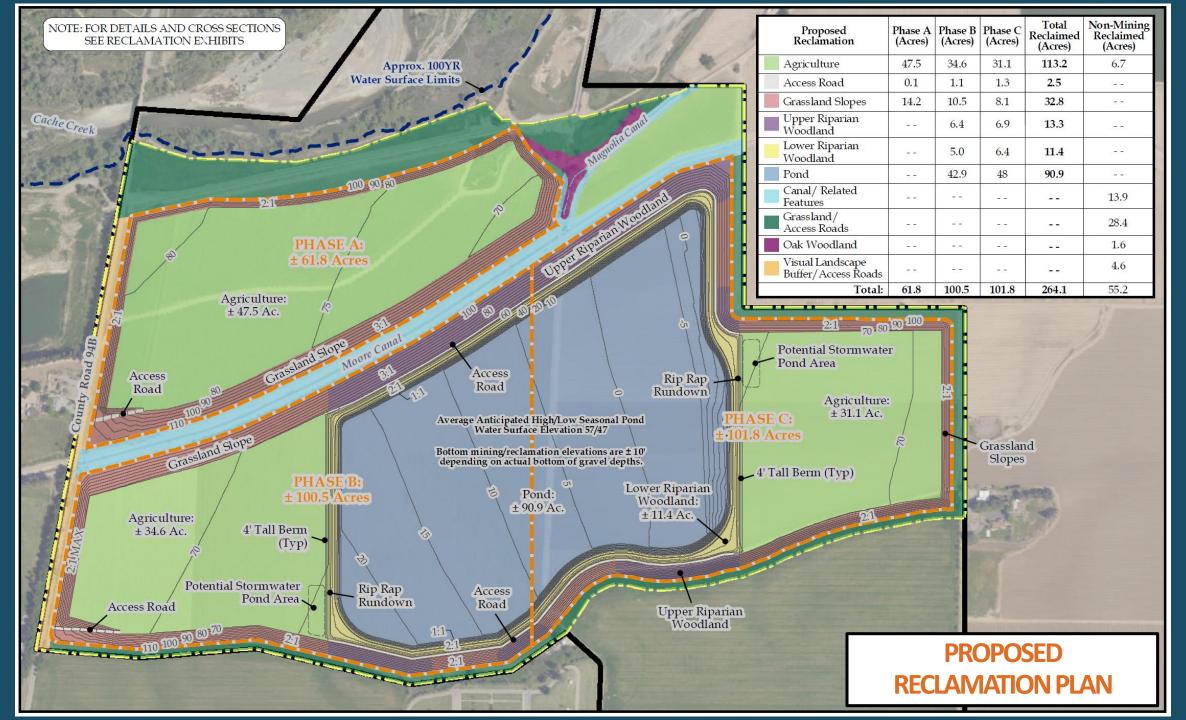
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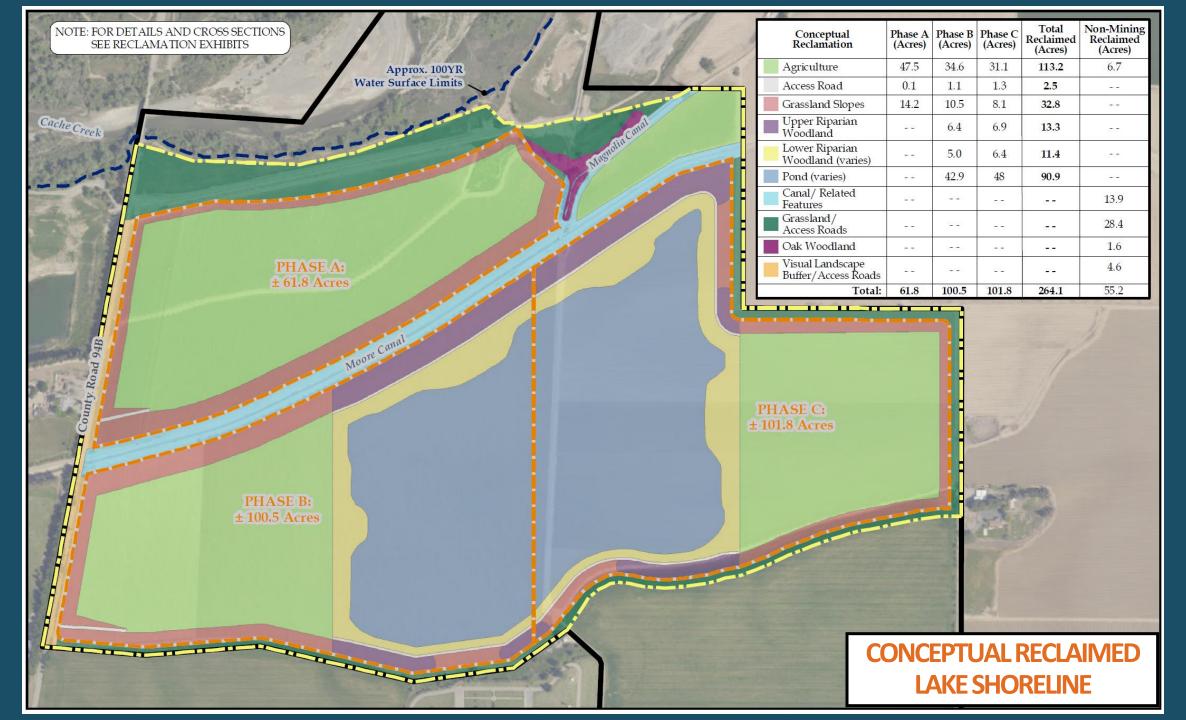
HAUL ROUTE

- East on CR 20 to CR 98/SR 16 north to I-5 and/or
- South on CR 96 to SR 16 west to I-505

OPERATING HOURS

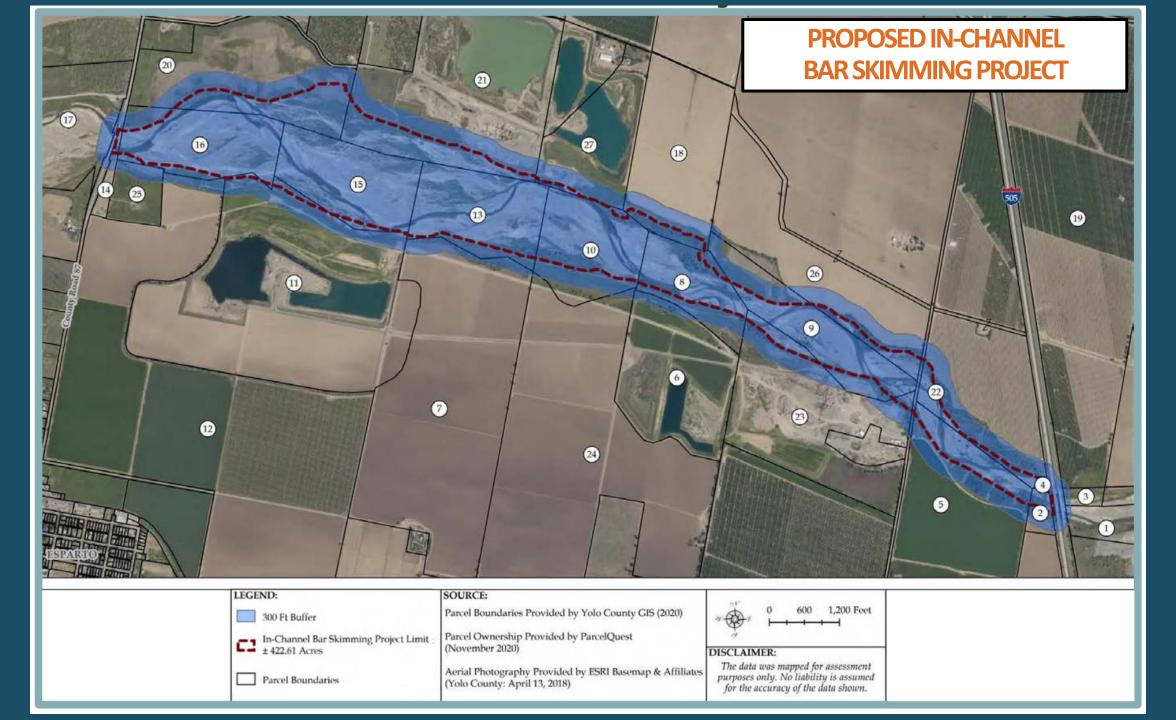
- 6 a.m. 6 p.m. Mon-Sat (mining)
- 6 a.m. 6 p.m. Mon-Fri (plant)
- August to October
 - 6 a.m. 10 p.m. Mon-Fri
 - 6 a.m. 6 p.m. Sat/Sun
- 24-hours (as needed to meet contracts)

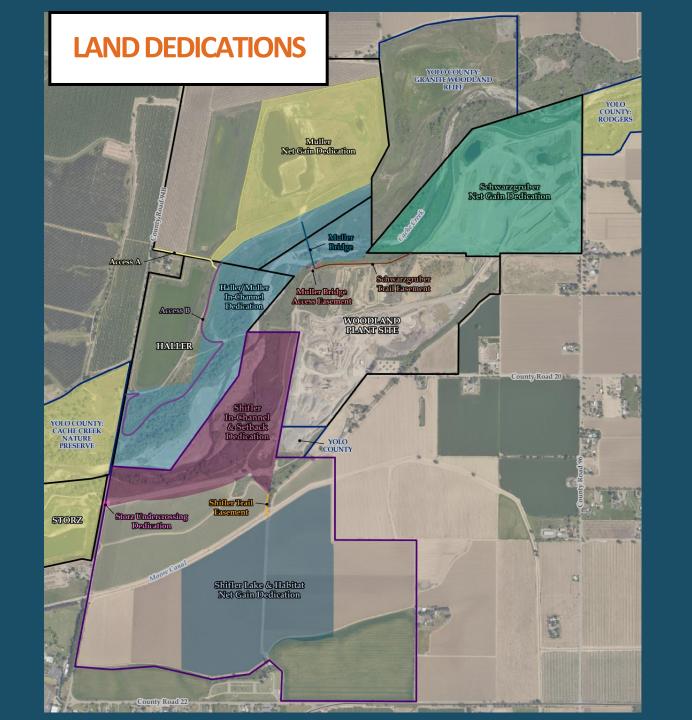




DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT PUBLIC BENEFIT ITEMS ("NET GAINS")

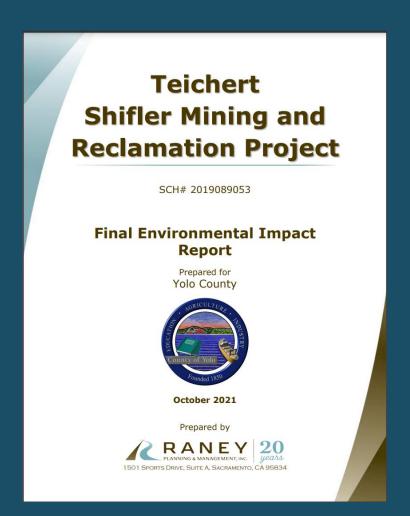
- In-Channel Maintenance Bar Skimming (CR 87 to I-505)
- Property Dedications
 - Shifler Lake
 - Shifler In-Channel
 - Schwarzgruber
- Cash Donations to Nature Preserve and Parkway Plan
- Safe Pedestrian Crossing of CR 94B for Trail Connection
- Woodland Plant as Sales Tax Place of Sale
- Early Dedication of Teichert In-Channel Haller/Muller
- Enhanced Reclamation of County Borrow Site Property
- Future Trail from Muller Bridge to Schwarzgruber Property
- Removal of Restrictions on Muller Access "B"





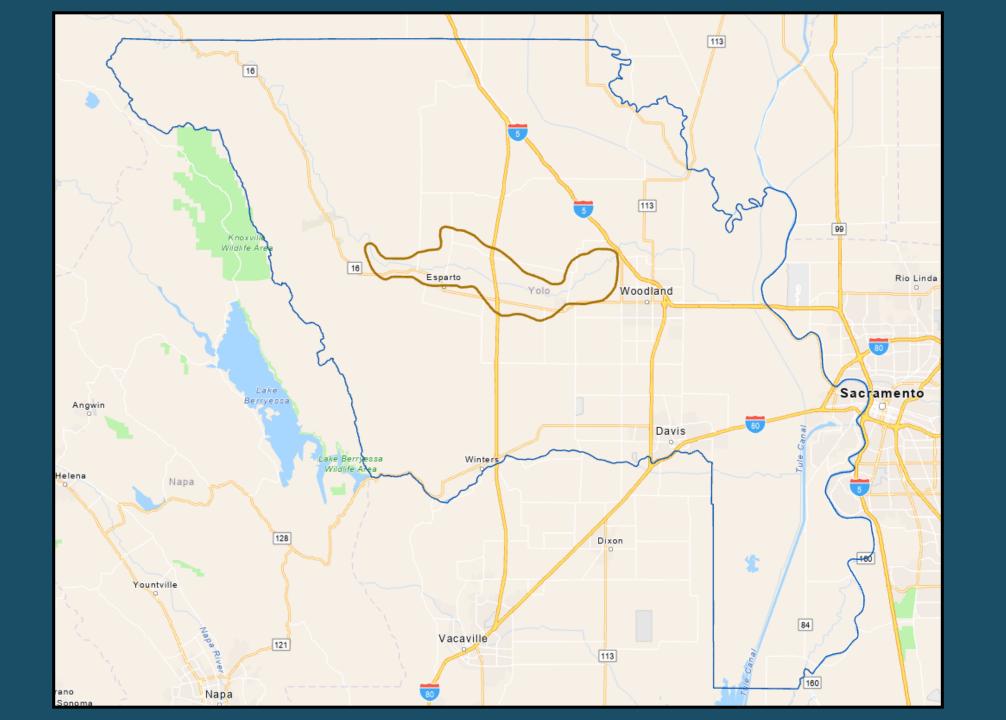
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

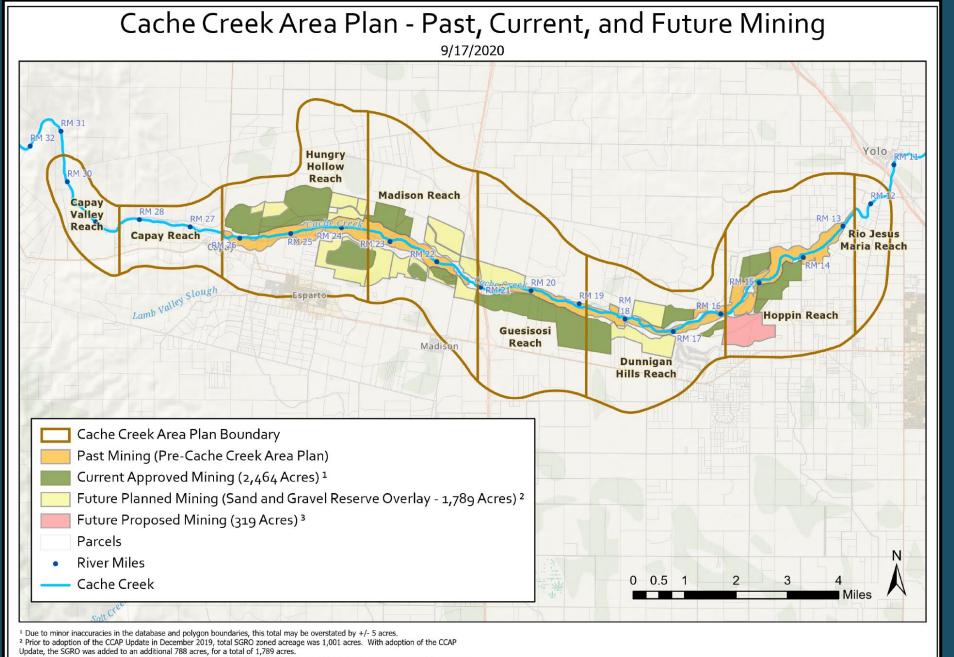
- Draft EIR Released December 11, 2020
- Final EIR Released October 15, 2021
- 6 Project Alternatives
- 4 Unavoidable Impacts
- 38 Comment letters
- 5 Master Responses
 - Merits of the Project
 - Property Values
 - Transportation and Circulation
 - Hydrology and Water Quality
 - Agricultural Concerns



CACHE CREEK AREA PLAN

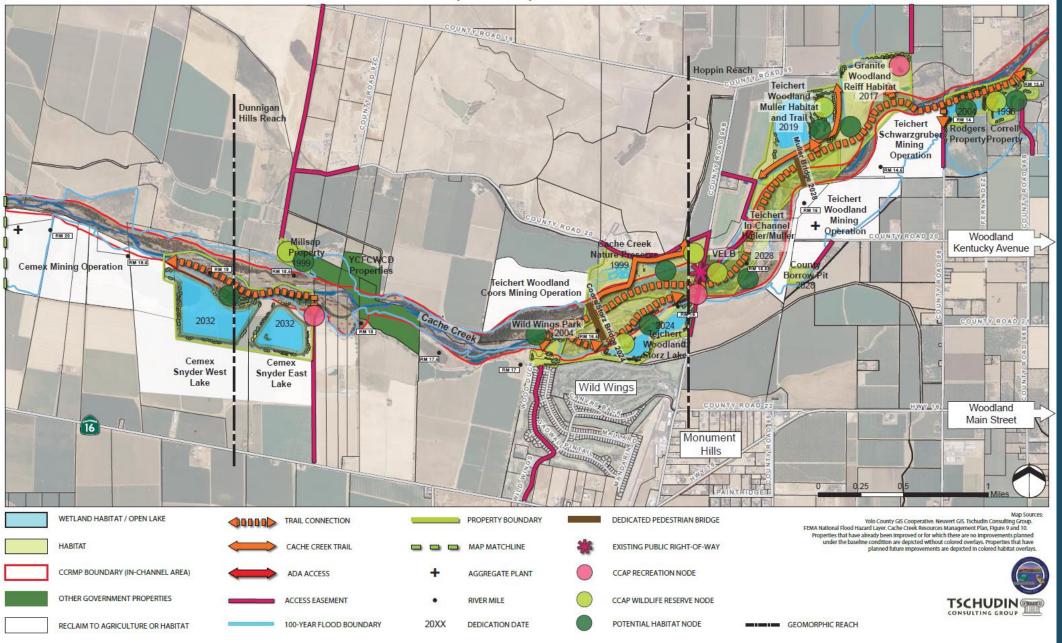
- State Mandate SMARA
- 1995 Technical Studies
- Adopted and Public Vote 1996
- Rigorous Regulatory Framework (plans, policies, regulations)
- Adaptive Management Watershed Focus Science Based
- Governs land uses along Lower Cache Creek (14.5 miles)
- 2017 Technical Studies
- Cache Creek Parkway Plan (Baseline Inventory) 2018
- Comprehensive Update 2019
- Balances Multiple Priorities

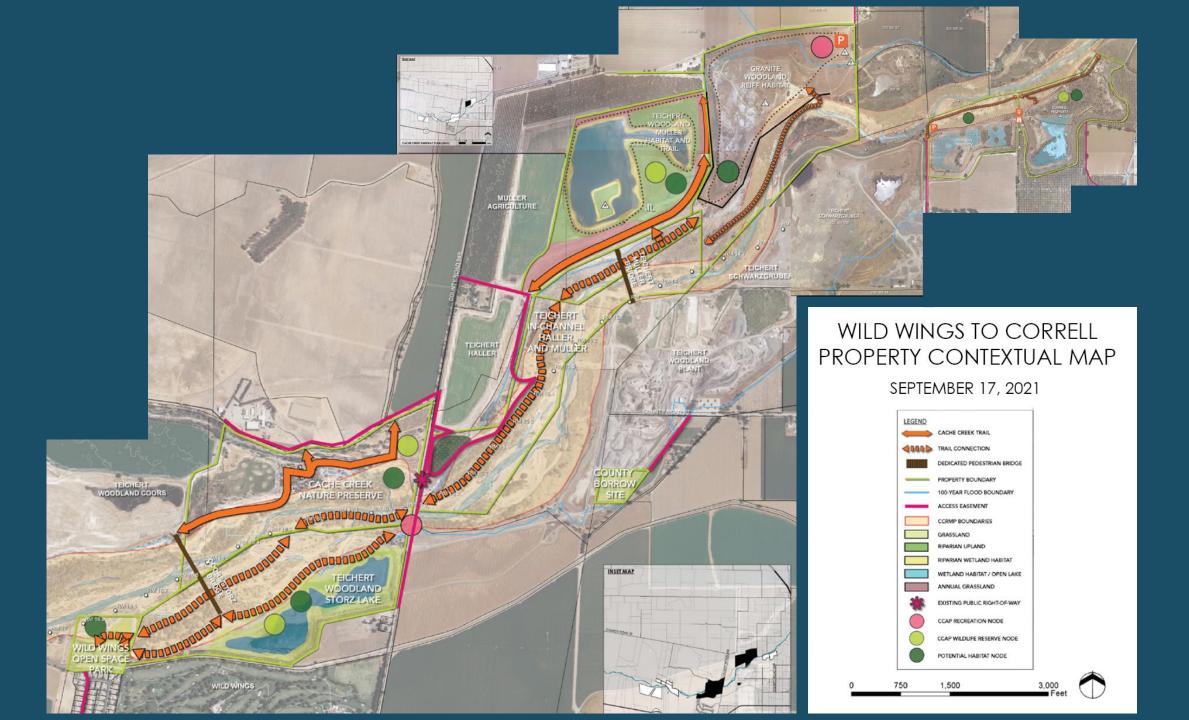




³ This reflects the actual proposed mining acreage in the Teichert Shifler application. An additional +/- 81 acres assumed for rezoning as a part of the CCAP Update represented portions of the Shifler property not ultimately included in the Teichert Shifler application.

CACHE CREEK PARKWAY PLAN (EAST) - BASELINE IMPROVEMENTS





CACHE CREEK NATURE PRESERVE







