



Referral Early Consultation

Date: September 15, 2021

To: Distribution List (See Attachment A)

From: Emily Basnight, Assistant Planner
Planning and Community Development

Subject: USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. PLN2021-0071 – VELOCITER WIRELESS,
INC. – RODDEN ROAD

Respond By: September 30, 2021

******PLEASE REVIEW REFERRAL PROCESS POLICY******

The Stanislaus County Department of Planning and Community Development is soliciting comments from responsible agencies under the Early Consultation process to determine: a) whether or not the project is subject to CEQA and b) if specific conditions should be placed upon project approval.

Therefore, please contact this office by the response date if you have any comments pertaining to the proposal. Comments made identifying potential impacts should be as specific as possible and should be based on supporting data (e.g., traffic counts, expected pollutant levels, etc.). Your comments should emphasize potential impacts in areas which your agency has expertise and/or jurisdictional responsibilities.

These comments will assist our Department in preparing a staff report to present to the Planning Commission. Those reports will contain our recommendations for approval or denial. They will also contain recommended conditions to be required should the project be approved. Therefore, please list any conditions that you wish to have included for presentation to the Commission as well as any other comments you may have. Please return all comments and/or conditions as soon as possible or no later than the response date referenced above.

Thank you for your cooperation. Please call (209) 525-6330 if you have any questions.

Applicant: Kristi Anthony, Velociter Wireless, Inc.

Project Location: 8225 Rodden Road, west of North Oaks Drive, north of the Stanislaus River and the City of Oakdale, in the community of Valley Home

APN: 006-010-065

Williamson Act Contract: N/A

General Plan: Agriculture

Current Zoning: General Agriculture (A-2-40)

Project Description: Request to permit an existing wireless communication facility on a 12.19± acre parcel in the General Agriculture (A-2-40) zoning district. This proposal includes an existing 70-foot lattice-style tower used to deliver broadband internet. In accordance with Section 21.91.020(B) of the County Code, a use permit would be required for a lattice-style communication tower. The existing tower did not receive appropriate land use entitlements or building permits prior to construction. As such, a use permit is required to operate the existing unmanned communication facility. The existing tower is improved with seventeen antennas placed between the 40 and 70-foot centerlines and is connected to an existing utility cabinet located adjacent to the tower on the ground. The tower is setback approximately 295± feet from the nearest adjacent residential structure. No fencing around the perimeter of the tower is proposed. The project site is

improved with a single-family dwelling, storage shed and pond. The project site is served by private well and septic system and has access to County-maintained Rodden Road.

Full document with attachments available for viewing at:
<http://www.stancounty.com/planning/pl/act-projects.shtm>



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Attachment A

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X	IRRIGATION DIST: OAKDALE	X	STANISLAUS LAFCO
X	MOSQUITO DIST: EASTSIDE	X	STATE OF CA SWRCB DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER DIST. 10
X	MOUNTAIN VALLEY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES		SURROUNDING LAND OWNERS
X	MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL: VALLEY HOME	X	TELEPHONE COMPANY: AT&T
X	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC		TRIBAL CONTACTS (CA Government Code §65352.3)
	POSTMASTER:		US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
	RAILROAD:		US FISH & WILDLIFE
X	SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY APCD		US MILITARY (SB 1462) (7 agencies)
X	SCHOOL DIST 1: OAKDALE JOINT UNIFIED		USDA NRCS
X	SCHOOL DIST 2: VALLEY HOME		WATER DIST:
	WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	X	CROP DUSTERS
X	STAN CO AG COMMISSIONER		
	TUOLUMNE RIVER TRUST		



STANISLAUS COUNTY CEQA REFERRAL RESPONSE FORM

TO: Stanislaus County Planning & Community Development
1010 10th Street, Suite 3400
Modesto, CA 95354

FROM: _____

SUBJECT: USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. PLN2021-0071 – VELOCITER WIRELESS,
INC. – RODDEN ROAD

Based on this agency's particular field(s) of expertise, it is our position the above described project:

- _____ Will not have a significant effect on the environment.
_____ May have a significant effect on the environment.
_____ No Comments.

Listed below are specific impacts which support our determination (e.g., traffic general, carrying capacity, soil types, air quality, etc.) – (attach additional sheet if necessary)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Listed below are possible mitigation measures for the above-listed impacts: *PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE WHEN THE MITIGATION OR CONDITION NEEDS TO BE IMPLEMENTED (PRIOR TO RECORDING A MAP, PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF A BUILDING PERMIT, ETC.):*

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

In addition, our agency has the following comments (attach additional sheets if necessary).

Response prepared by:






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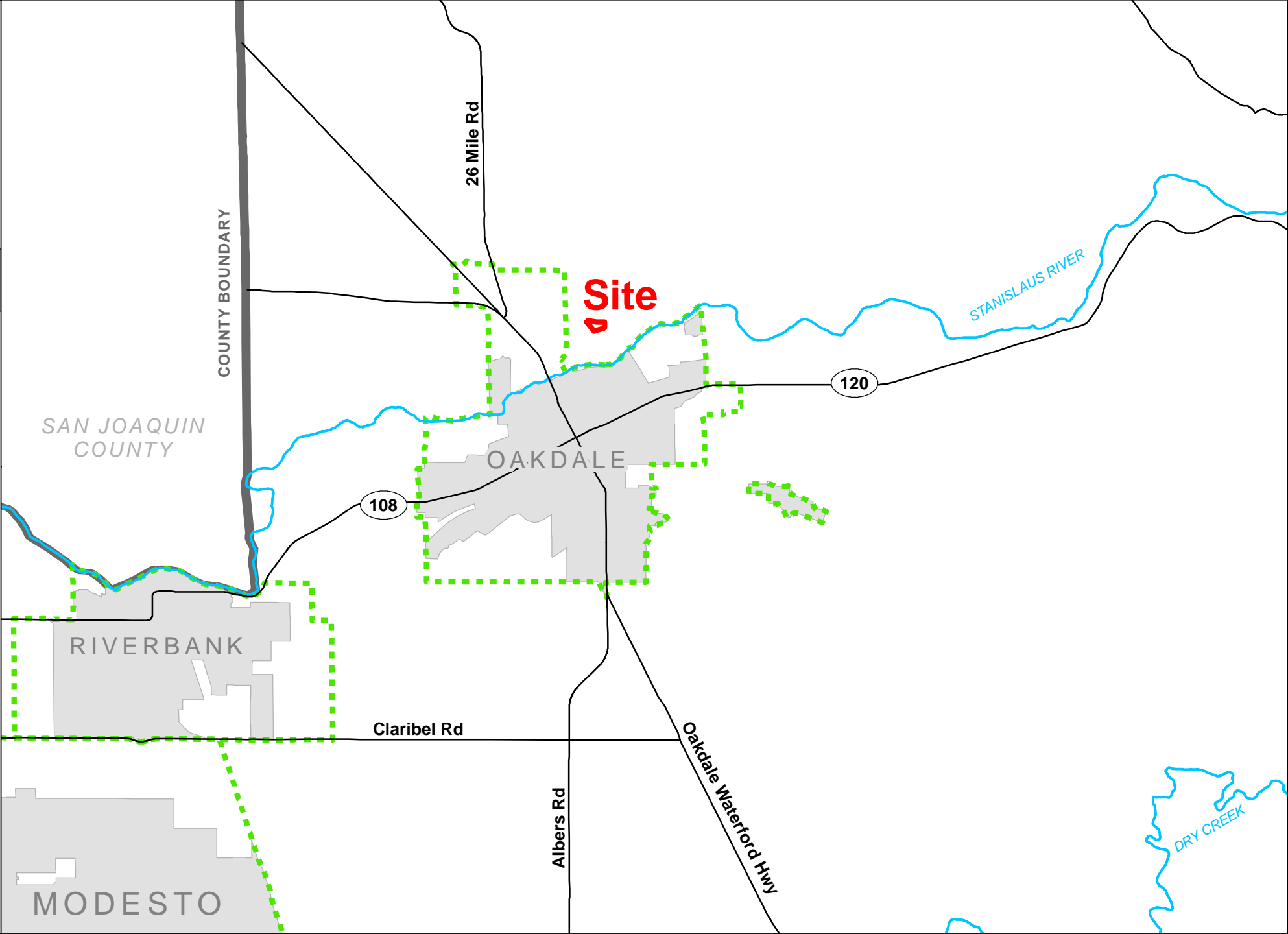
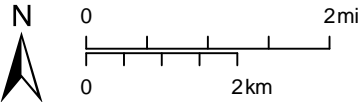
VELOCITER
WIRELESS INC
(RODDEN RD)

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AREA MAP

LEGEND

-  Project Site
-  Sphere of Influence
-  City
-  Road
-  River













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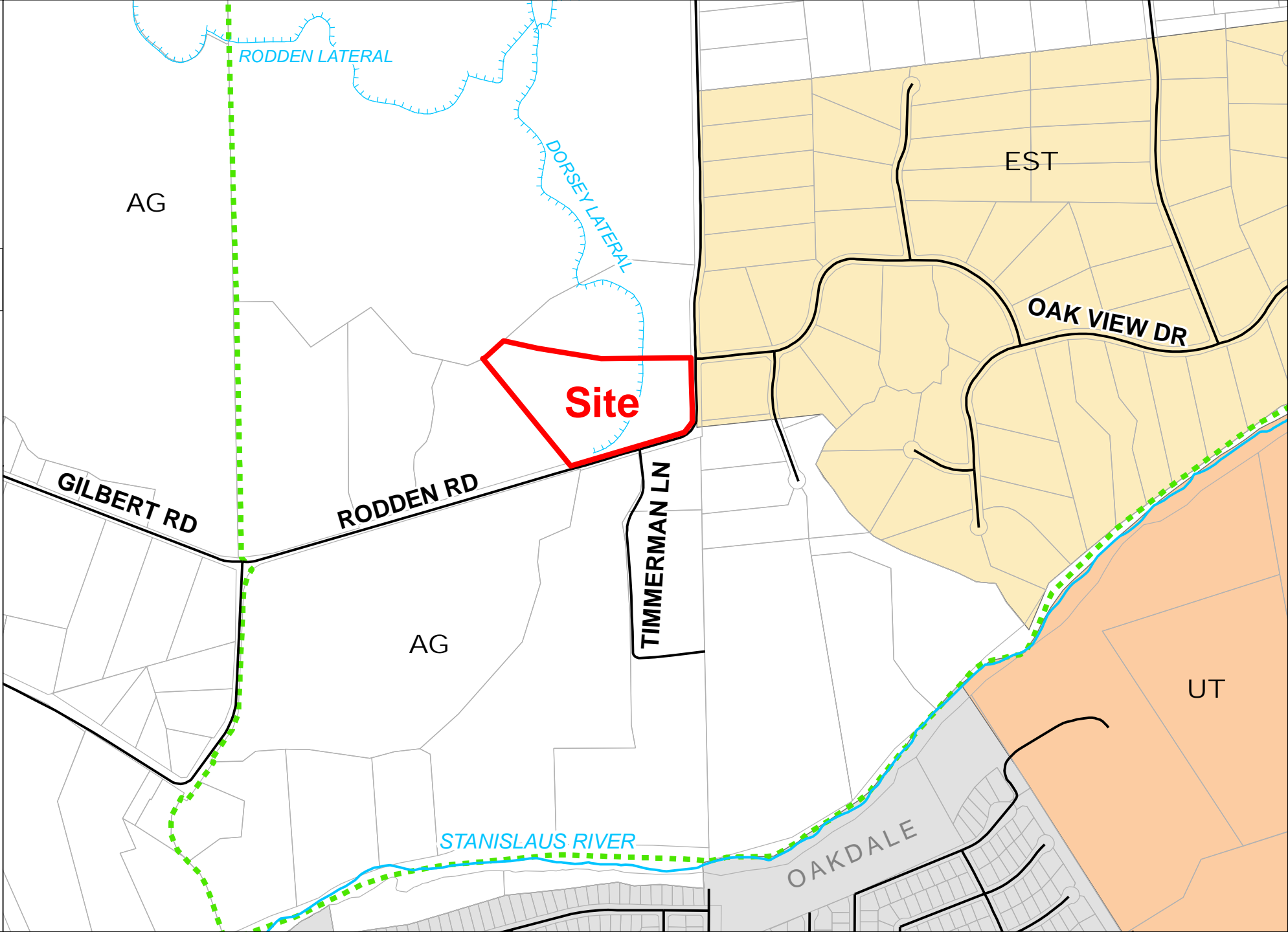
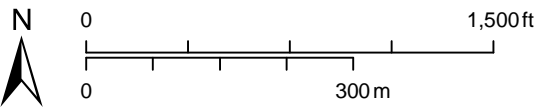
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GENERAL PLAN MAP

LEGEND

-  Project Site
-  Sphere of Influence
-  City of
-  Parcel
-  River
-  Road
-  Canal

- General Plan
-  Agriculture
 -  Urban Transition
 -  Estate Residential



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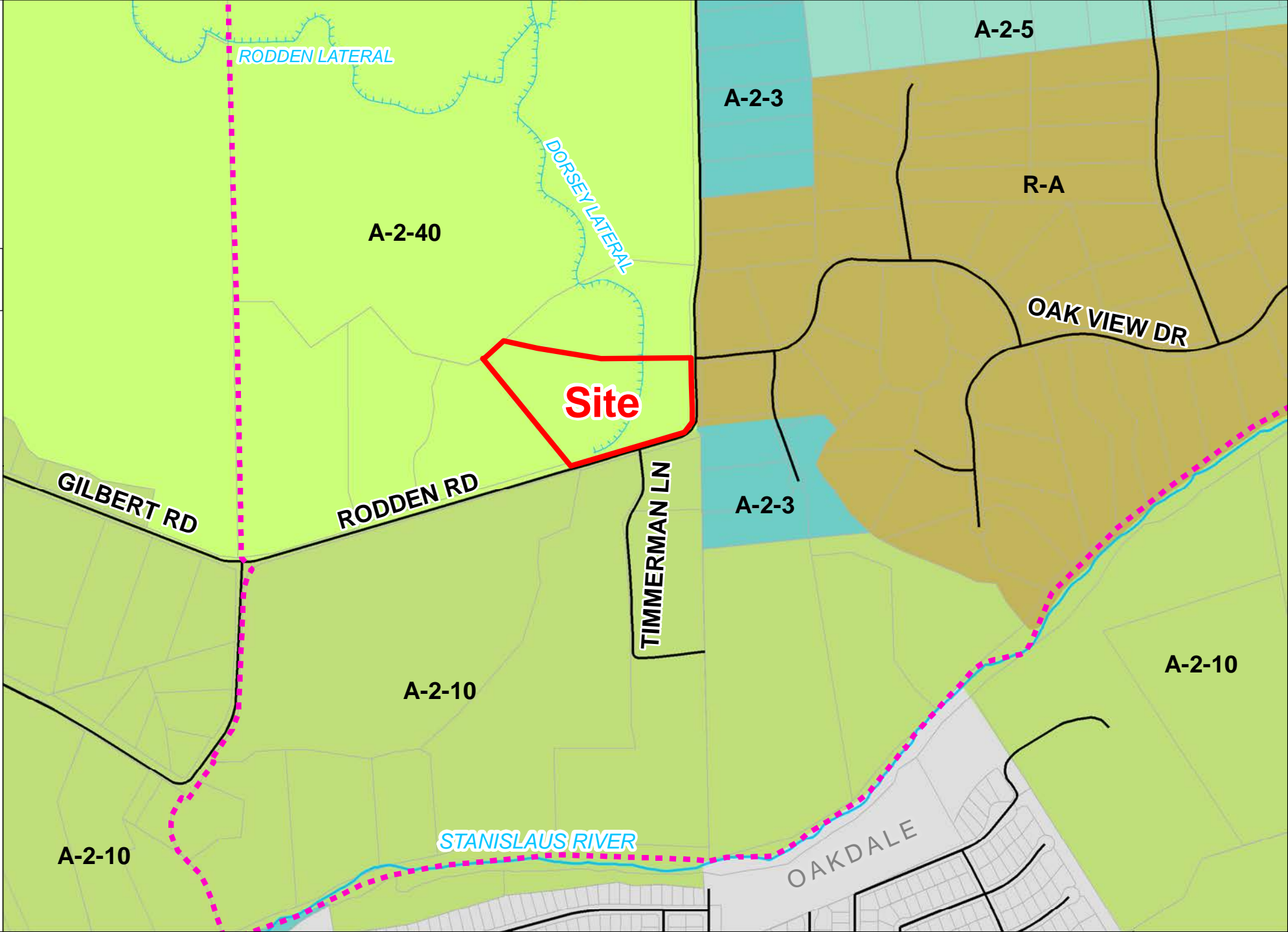
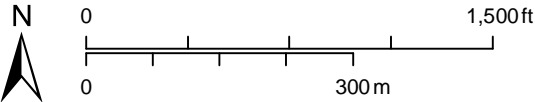
ZONING MAP

LEGEND

- Project Site
- Sphere of Influence
- City of
- Parcel
- River
- Road
- Canal

Zoning Designation

- General Agriculture 3 Acre
- General Agriculture 5 Acre
- General Agriculture 40 Acre
- General Agriculture 10 Acre
- Rural Residential








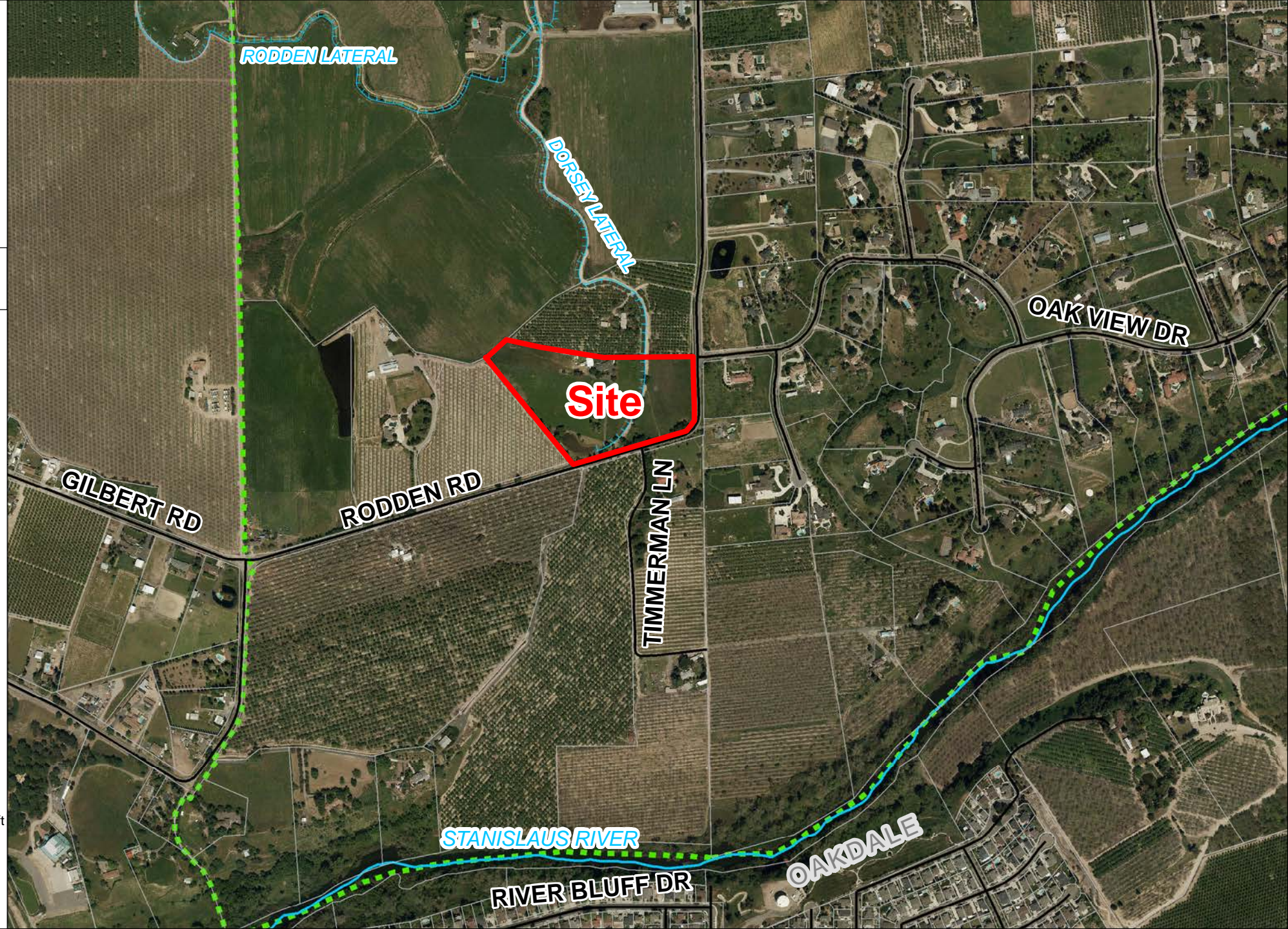
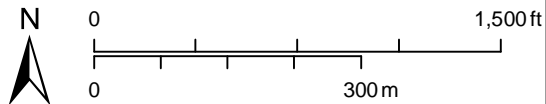
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2017 AERIAL AREA MAP

LEGEND

-  Project Site
-  Sphere of Influence
-  Road
-  River
-  Canal



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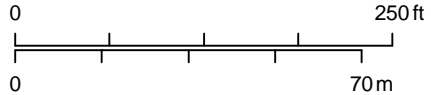
2017 AERIAL SITE MAP

LEGEND

 Project Site

 Road

 Canal



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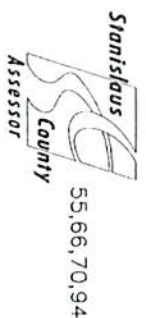
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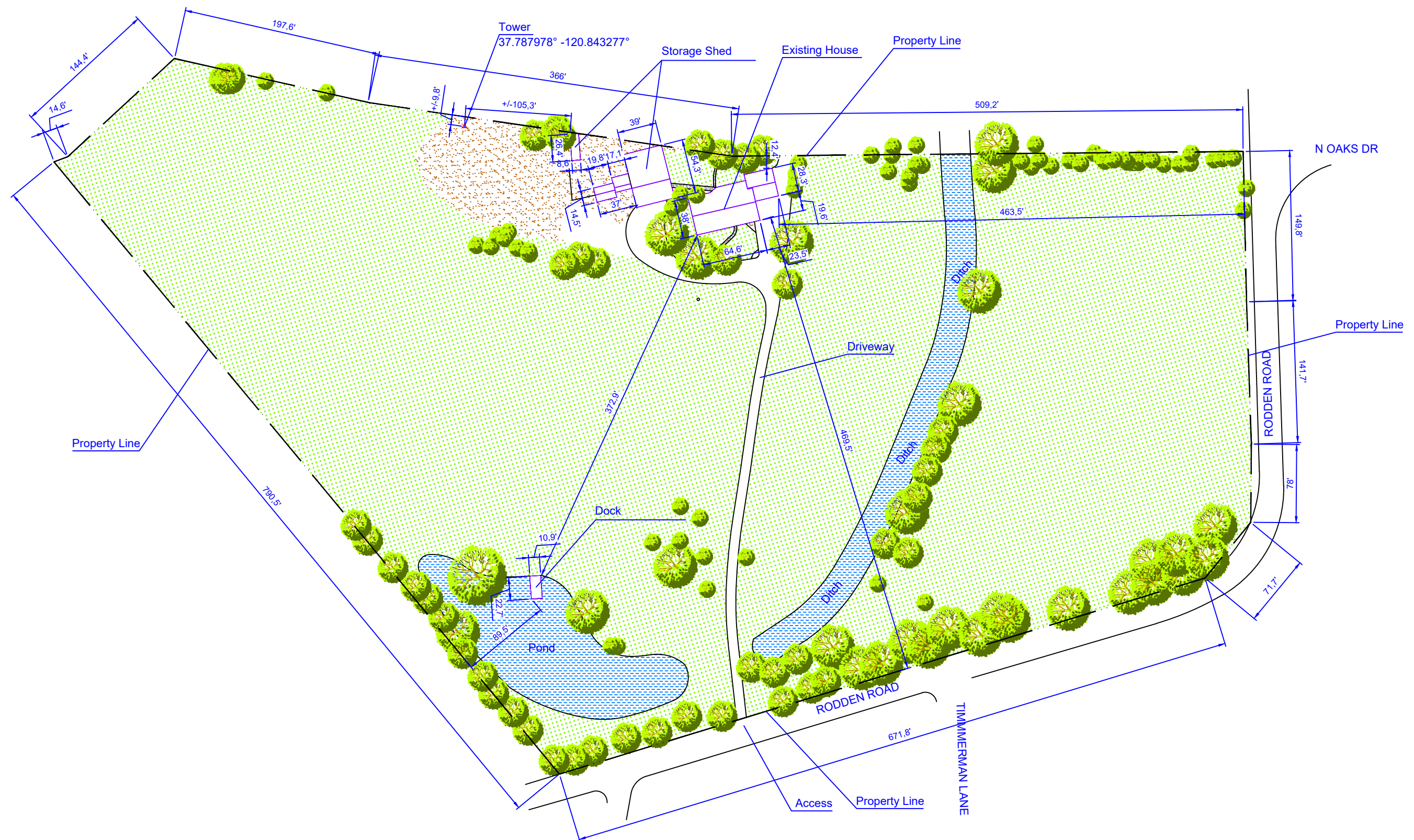
City of
Parcel/Acres

The map displays a residential area with a central 'Site' outlined in red. The site is located between Rodden Rd to the west and Timmerman Ln to the east. To the north of the site is a large lot of 217.51 acres, and to the south is a lot of 46.58 acres. The Stanislaus River flows along the bottom of the map, with a green dashed line indicating a boundary or easement. Several other roads are shown, including Gilbert Rd, Oak View Dr, and River Bluff Dr. Numerous lots are labeled with their acreage values, ranging from 0.13 to 42.64 acres. The map also shows the Stanislaus River and its lateral branches, Rodden Lateral and Dorsey Lateral.

006 - 010

AKS DR.
House





Parcel No. (APN) 006-010-065-000
Land Use RESIDENTIAL
MISCELLANEOUS RESIDENTIAL
Building Area 1,872 SF
Lot Area 530,996 SF (12.19 ACRES)

8225 RODDEN RD
OAKDALE, CA 95361
Scale: 1"=100'









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APPLICATION QUESTIONNAIRE

Please Check all applicable boxes

APPLICATION FOR:

Staff is available to assist you with determining which applications are necessary

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Amendment | <input type="checkbox"/> Subdivision Map |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rezone | <input type="checkbox"/> Parcel Map |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Use Permit | <input type="checkbox"/> Exception |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Variance | <input type="checkbox"/> Williamson Act Cancellation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Site Permit | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

PLANNING STAFF USE ONLY:

Application No(s): PLN / 2021-0071

Date: 7/26/2021

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GP Designation: Ag

Zoning: A-2-40

Fee: \$1,999.00

Receipt No. #56661/

Received By: EB

Notes: UP

In order for your application to be considered COMPLETE, please answer all applicable questions on the following pages, and provide all applicable information listed on the checklist on pages i – v. Under State law, upon receipt of this application, staff has 30 days to determine if the application is complete. We typically do not take the full 30 days. It may be necessary for you to provide additional information and/or meet with staff to discuss the application. Pre-application meetings are not required, but are highly recommended. An incomplete application will be placed on hold until all the necessary information is provided to the satisfaction of the requesting agency. An application will not be accepted without all the information identified on the checklist.

Please contact staff at (209) 525-6330 to discuss any questions you may have. Staff will attempt to help you in any way we can.

PROJECT INFORMATION

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: (Describe the project in detail, including physical features of the site, proposed improvements, proposed uses or business, operating hours, number of employees, anticipated customers, etc. – Attach additional sheets as necessary)

**Please note: A detailed project description is essential to the reviewing process of this request. In order to approve a project, the Planning Commission or the Board of Supervisors must decide whether there is enough information available to be able to make very specific statements about the project. These statements are called "Findings". It is your responsibility as an applicant to provide enough information about the proposed project, so that staff can recommend that the Commission or the Board make the required Findings. Specific project Findings are shown on pages 17 – 19 and can be used as a guide for preparing your project description. (If you are applying for a Variance or Exception, please contact staff to discuss special requirements).*

Tower - Lattice 70' - used to deliver broadband internet for neighboring households to deliver high-speed

internet to under-served rural communities. Antennas are mounted to the tower.

Existing Tower.

PROJECT SITE INFORMATION

Complete and accurate information saves time and is vital to project review and assessment. Please complete each section entirely. If a question is not applicable to your project, please indicated this to show that each question has been carefully considered. Contact the Planning & Community Development Department Staff, 1010 10th Street – 3rd Floor, (209) 525-6330, if you have any questions. Pre-application meetings are highly recommended.

ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER(S): Book 006 Page 010 Parcel 065

Additional parcel numbers: _____
Project Site Address _____
or Physical Location: _____

Property Area: Acres: 12.19 or Square feet: _____

Current and Previous Land Use: (Explain existing and previous land use(s) of site for the last ten years)

Home

List any known previous projects approved for this site, such as a Use Permit, Parcel Map, etc.: (Please identify project name, type of project, and date of approval)

Existing General Plan & Zoning: AG

Proposed General Plan & Zoning: _____
(if applicable)

ADJACENT LAND USE: (Describe adjacent land uses within 1,320 feet (1/4 mile) and/or two parcels in each direction of the project site)

East: orchards

West: orchards

North: orchards field

South: orchards

WILLIAMSON ACT CONTRACT:

Yes ☒ No ☒

Is the property currently under a Williamson Act Contract?

Contract Number: _____

If yes, has a Notice of Non-Renewal been filed?

Date Filed: _____

Yes ☐ No ☐

Do you propose to cancel any portion of the Contract?

Yes ☐ No ☒

Are there any agriculture, conservation, open space or similar easements affecting the use of the project site. (Such easements do not include Williamson Act Contracts)

If yes, please list and provide a recorded copy: _____

SITE CHARACTERISTICS: (Check one or more)

Flat ☐

Rolling ☒

Steep ☐

VEGETATION: What kind of plants are growing on your property? (Check one or more)

Field crops ☐

Orchard ☐

Pasture/Grassland ☐

Scattered trees ☒

Shrubs ☐

Woodland ☐

River/Riparian ☐

Other ☐

Explain Other: _____

Yes ☐ No ☒

Do you plan to remove any trees? (If yes, please show location of trees planned for removal on plot plan and provide information regarding transplanting or replanting.)

GRADING:

Yes ☐ No ☒

Do you plan to do any grading? (If yes, please indicate how many cubic yards and acres to be disturbed. Please show areas to be graded on plot plan.) _____

STREAMS, LAKES, & PONDS:

Yes ☒ No ☐

Are there any streams, lakes, ponds or other watercourses on the property? (If yes, please show on plot plan)

Yes ☐ No ☒

Will the project change any drainage patterns? (If yes, please explain – provide additional sheet if needed) _____

Yes ☐ No ☒

Are there any gullies or areas of soil erosion? (If yes, please show on plot plan)

Yes ☐ No ☒

Do you plan to grade, disturb, or in any way change swales, drainages, ditches, gullies, ponds, low lying areas, seeps, springs, streams, creeks, river banks, or other area on the site that carries or holds water for any amount of time during the year? (If yes, please show areas to be graded on plot plan)

Please note: If the answer above is yes, you may be required to obtain authorization from other agencies such as the Corps of Engineers or California Department of Fish and Game.

STRUCTURES:

- Yes ☒ No ☐ Are there structures on the site? (If yes, please show on plot plan. Show a relationship to property lines and other features of the site.)
- Yes ☐ No ☒ Will structures be moved or demolished? (If yes, indicate on plot plan.)
- Yes ☐ No ☒ Do you plan to build new structures? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.)
- Yes ☐ No ☒ Are there buildings of possible Historical significance? (If yes, please explain and show location and size on plot plan.) _____

PROJECT SITE COVERAGE:

Existing Building Coverage: _____ Sq. Ft. Landscaped Area: _____ Sq. Ft.

Proposed Building Coverage: _____ Sq. Ft. Paved Surface Area: _____ Sq. Ft.

BUILDING CHARACTERISTICS:

Size of new structure(s) or building addition(s) in gross sq. ft.: (Provide additional sheets if necessary) _____

Number of floors for each building: _____

Building height in feet (measured from ground to highest point): (Provide additional sheets if necessary) _____

70' tower (existing)

Height of other appurtenances, excluding buildings, measured from ground to highest point (i.e., antennas, mechanical equipment, light poles, etc.): (Provide additional sheets if necessary) _____

Proposed surface material for parking area: (Provide information addressing dust control measures if non-asphalt/concrete material to be used) _____

UTILITIES AND IRRIGATION FACILITIES:

Yes ☐ No ☐ Are there existing public or private utilities on the site? Includes telephone, power, water, etc. (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)

Who provides, or will provide the following services to the property?

Electrical: PG&E

Sewer*: Septic

Telephone: ACN

Gas/Propane: N/A

Water**: well

Irrigation: Dakdate Irrigation

***Please Note:** A "will serve" letter is required if the sewer service will be provided by City, Sanitary District, Community Services District, etc.

****Please Note:** A "will serve" letter is required if the water source is a City, Irrigation District, Water District, etc., and the water purveyor may be required to provide verification through an Urban Water Management Plan that an adequate water supply exists to service your proposed development.

Will any special or unique sewage wastes be generated by this development other than that normally associated with resident or employee restrooms? Industrial, chemical, manufacturing, animal wastes? (Please describe:)

N/A

Please Note: Should any waste be generated by the proposed project other than that normally associated with a single family residence, it is likely that Waste Discharge Requirements will be required by the Regional Water Quality Control Board. Detailed descriptions of quantities, quality, treatment, and disposal may be required.

Yes ☒ No ☐ Are there existing irrigation, telephone, or power company easements on the property? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.)

Yes ☐ No ☒ Do the existing utilities, including irrigation facilities, need to be moved? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.)

Yes ☐ No ☒ Does the project require extension of utilities? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.)

AFFORDABLE HOUSING/SENIOR:

Yes ☐ No ☒ Will the project include affordable or senior housing provisions? (If yes, please explain)

RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS: (Please complete if applicable – Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Total No. Lots: _____ Total Dwelling Units: _____ Total Acreage: _____

Net Density per Acre: _____ Gross Density per Acre: _____

(complete if applicable)	Single Family	Two Family Duplex	Multi-Family Apartments	Multi-Family Condominium/Townhouse
Number of Units:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Acreage:	_____	_____	_____	_____

COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, MANUFACTURING, RETAIL, USE PERMIT, OR OTHER PROJECTS: (Please complete if applicable – Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Square footage of each existing or proposed building(s): _____

Type of use(s): _____

Days and hours of operation: _____

Seasonal operation (i.e., packing shed, huller, etc.) months and hours of operation: _____

Occupancy/capacity of building: _____

Number of employees: (Maximum Shift): _____ (Minimum Shift): _____

Estimated number of daily customers/visitors on site at peak time: _____

Other occupants: _____

Estimated number of truck deliveries/loadings per day: _____

Estimated hours of truck deliveries/loadings per day: _____

Estimated percentage of traffic to be generated by trucks: _____

Estimated number of railroad deliveries/loadings per day: _____

Square footage of:

Office area: _____

Warehouse area: _____

Sales area: _____

Storage area: _____

Loading area: _____

Manufacturing area: _____

Other: (explain type of area) _____

Yes ☐ No ☐

Will the proposed use involve toxic or hazardous materials or waste? (Please explain)

ROAD AND ACCESS INFORMATION:

What County road(s) will provide the project's main access? (Please show all existing and proposed driveways on the plot plan)

Rodden Road

Yes ☐ No ☒

Are there private or public road or access easements on the property now? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)

Yes ☐ No ☒

Do you require a private road or easement to access the property? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)

Yes ☐ No ☒

Do you require security gates and fencing on the access? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)

Please Note: Parcels that do not front on a County-maintained road or require special access may require approval of an Exception to the Subdivision Ordinance. Please contact staff to determine if an exception is needed and to discuss the necessary Findings.

STORM DRAINAGE:

How will your project handle storm water runoff? (Check one) ☐ Drainage Basin ☐ Direct Discharge ☐ Overland

☐ Other: (please explain) _____

If direct discharge is proposed, what specific waterway are you proposing to discharge to? _____

Please Note: If direct discharge is proposed, you will be required to obtain a NPDES permit from the Regional Water Quality Control Board, and must provide evidence that you have contacted them regarding this proposal with your application.

EROSION CONTROL:

If you plan on grading any portion of the site, please provide a description of erosion control measures you propose to implement.

Please note: You may be required to obtain an NPDES Storm Water Permit from the Regional Water Quality Control Board and prepare a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Please use this space to provide any other information you feel is appropriate for the County to consider during review of your application. (Attach extra sheets if necessary)

Existing tower has been in existence for 17+ years. Existing electrical permit for tower was pulled in 2017.