

Memorandum

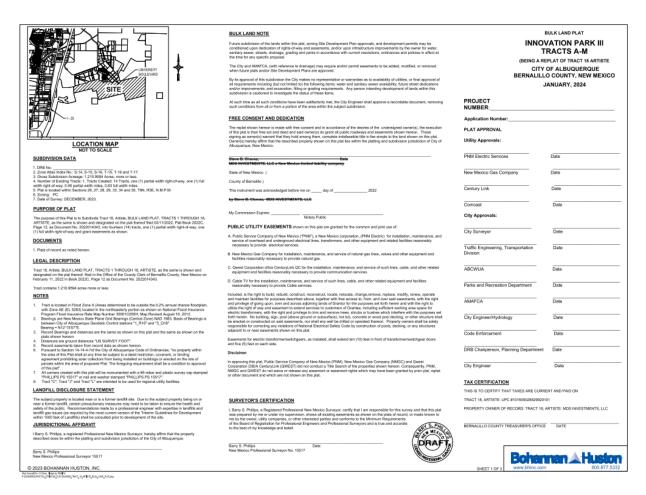
To: City of Albuquerque Planning Department

From: Jim Strozier, Consensus Planning, Inc.

Date: January 10, 2024

Re: Sensitive Lands Analysis for BULK LAND PLAT in support of Maxeon (Golden Eagle project)

This memo responds to the Sensitive Lands criteria in IDO Section 14-16-5-2. The subject properties are legally described as *Bulk Land Plat Tracts 1 through 18, Artiste, Innovative Park III Tract A-M*. The purpose of the bulk land plat is to provide for rights-of-way and larger development tracts within the Community Center, Residential Village, and Employment Center portions of the Mesa del Sol Planned Community. This plat will create the parcel that is proposed to accommodate a site plan for the development of a large solar manufacturing facility (Golden Eagle – Maxeon) within the Employment Center portion of the Mesa del Sol Master Planned Community. A separate Sensitive Lands Analysis has been prepared for the Golden Eagle – Maxeon project will be included with the Site Plan application materials.

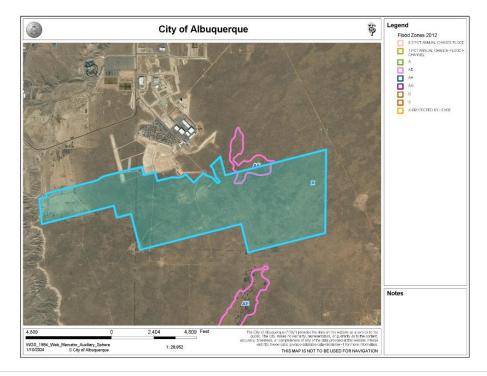


We have analyzed the project site for the presence of sensitive lands and any constraints related to such lands. The following analysis examines each of the Sensitive Lands elements as defined by the IDO and evaluates their potential impact on the proposed project.

1. Arroyos: Using data provided by AMAFCA's Interactive Facilities Map, it shows no arroyos or drainage facilities located on the site. The image below shows the subject sites shaded in blue and outlined by a blue line.



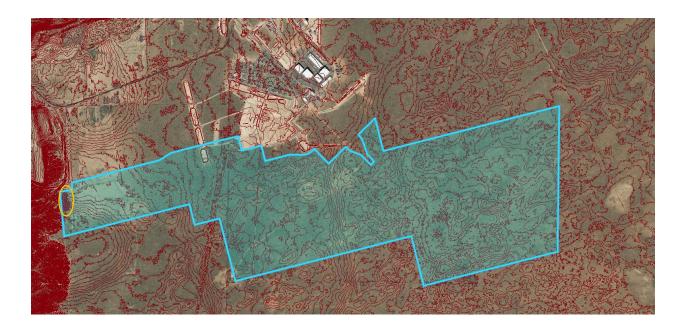
2. Floodplains and Special Flood Hazard Areas: The map below the subject area is shaded blue and outlined by a blue line. FEMAs National Flood Hazard Layer projected by the CABQ Advanced Map Viewer is within an unshaded Flood Zone X. Unshaded Flood Zone X is described as an area of minimal flooding. Unshaded Flood Zone X is outside of the 500-year flood and protected by levees from the 100-year flood. Certain areas include AE flood zones that present a 1% annual chance of flooding. The AE areas shall be avoided and no development is proposed in that area.



- 3. Irrigation facilities (acequias): Due to the subject site's location and distance from the Rio Grande there are no irrigation facilities or acequias on or near the site. Data provided by Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District confirms that the subject property is outside of the MRGCD jurisdiction.
- Large stands of mature trees: The subject sites are vacant parcels with nominal vegetation.
 There are no large stands of mature trees on either parcel. The image below depicts the subject sites facing east.



- 5. Riparian areas: Data provided by the National Wetlands Inventory shows the subject site is not within a riparian area.
- 6. Rock outcroppings: There are no rock outcroppings on or adjacent to the site.
- 7. Significant archaeological sites: Only 160 acres of the entire 1,210.9594 acres site have been surveyed and reported on. Within the Maxeon Golden Eagle project site, LA 203524 is located and found to have 17 pieces of flacked stone, mostly obsidian flakes. In terms of its NRHP and New Mexico Historic Register eligibility, the criteria of no effect have been applied to LA 203524. Although test excavations did not reveal evidence of buried in-situ cultural deposits, it is recommended that the site vicinity be monitored by an archaeologist during initial grubbing (vegetation removal) activities to ensure there are no significant buried cultural deposits.
 - The Archaeological Certificate has been submitted to the City of Albuquerque staff archaeologist and they have issued a certificate of no effect.
- 8. Steep slopes and escarpments: Data provided by the CABQ Advanced Map Viewer 2-foot contour layer shows that the subject site has a small area that meets the IDO definition of steep slopes, which is over 9%. The steep slope area is located on the very west side of the parcel, closer to the northwest corner, shown with an orange outline. The map below depicts the subject site is shaded blue and outlined with a blue line. The small area with steep slopes shall be avoided and no development is proposed in this area of the site.



9. Wetlands: Data provided by the National Wetlands Inventory shows the subject site is not within a wetland area.

Conclusion

Based on the analysis of the subject property, there are sensitive lands that impact the entire bulk land plat property, but do not impact the current Golden Eagle – Maxeon project proposed for proposed Tract K (125 acres). The two regulated sensitive land criteria referenced above (steep slope and flood hazards) are not proposed for any development, will be avoided, and do not impact the proposed Bulk Land Plat.