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INITIAL STUDY

THIS HANDOUT IS A SUMMARY OF REQUIREMENTS

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The Initial Study is a requirement of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines and is used to determine whether further review of environmental factors of the project will be necessary, and, if so, whether a Negative Declaration (ND) or Environmental Impact Report (EIR) will be the most appropriate document. Completion of an Initial Study is a prerequisite to filing an application for Planning Commission action. Accuracy and completeness in the preparation of this study is essential. Incomplete materials will only result in a delay for the applicant as the study will be rejected until properly developed.

INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete the following statement by filling in the designated blank spaces. Responses should be printed or typed so as to be legible. All appropriate spaces must be filled in and the required maps, photos, and plans submitted with this form. Additional information may be attached. The applicant should provide as much information as possible in this submittal to allow reviewers to have a thorough understanding of the project. Please submit thirteen (13) copies of this form and all support documents with the appropriate filing fee to the Community Development Department to begin the environmental review process. All maps/site plans shall be folded to 8½” by 11.”

NOTE: If you do not submit an application within four (4) months from the date of the City of Woodland notifying you of their comments on your Initial Study, your file will be closed. Once the file is closed, you will need to submit a new Initial Study which requires a new fee.

**CITY OF WOODLAND
INITIAL STUDY
ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION FORM**

Information Required as Part 1 of Initial Study of Environmental Impacts.

----- For Office use -----

Application Number and Title: _____

Date Submitted: _____

The following information is required for all projects, which are subject to review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Complete disclosure of environmental data is required. **NOTE: THIS INFORMATION MUST RELATE TO THE DEVELOPMENT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 11 & 12.** Reference materials needed to complete this application are available at the Community Development Department at City Hall, 300 First Street, Woodland. Answers may be continued on additional sheets. Please print or type.

I. General Information

1. **Name, address, and telephone number of person to be contacted concerning this project:** _____

2. **Name, address of legal property owner as shown on tax statement:** _____

3. **Address of project and/or description of location:** _____

4. **Assessor's Parcel Number(s) of project site:** _____

5. **Indicate the project application which accompanies this form:** _____

6. **Have any preliminary documents been prepared for this projects (i.e. level 1, 2 or 3 soil assessment, soil study or traffic impact analysis)? If yes, please identify name and date prepared** _____

7. **List and describe any other related permits and other public approvals required for this project, including those required by city, regional, state or federal agencies (i.e., Corps of Engineers, Caltrans, Air Pollution Control District or Yolo County):** _____

8. **Existing zoning district(s) of project site:** _____
9. **Existing General Plan Designation(s)** _____
10. **Existing Specific Plan Designation(s)** _____
11. **Fully describe the nature and purpose of the proposed project including the ultimate use of the property:** _____

12. **Community benefits to be derived from the project:** _____

II. Project Description

1. Project Description

a. Site size in acres or square footage: _____

b. Highest and lowest elevations on site: _____

c. Number of floors of proposed construction: _____

d. Number of proposed off-street parking spaces provided: _____

e. Anticipated project schedule (timeline): _____

f. Is this project dependent on an existing or future project? If yes, please explain:

g. Anticipated future phases: _____

h. If RESIDENTIAL, include the number of units, unit sizes, range of sale prices or rents, and gross density (units)acre:

i. If COMMERCIAL and/or OFFICE, indicate the types, square footage of each type (i.e., office, sales area, restaurant), whether neighborhood, city or regionally oriented, and total square footage of building area.

j. If INDUSTRIAL, indicate type, estimated employment per shift, loading facilities, square footage of office area and total square footage of building area:

If INSTITUTIONAL, indicate the major function, estimated employment per shift, estimated occupancy, and total square footage of building:

If the project involves a variance, conditional use permit or rezoning application, state this and explain clearly why it is required:

k. Number and species of existing trees 6 inches or larger in diameter:

l. Number, size, and species of trees to be removed: _____

m. Describe any power lines, water, sewer or storm drain mains, pipelines or other transmission lines which are located on or adjacent to the property: _____

n. Name of creeks and natural or man-made drainage channels through or adjacent to the property: _____

o. Is there evidence of water traveling over or standing on the site?

p. Primary vehicle access to property comes from which street(s):

q. Identify wildlife and/or native plants that are known to exist on the property (include seasonal migrations and/or observations):

r. Are any easements known to traverse the site? If yes, explain the type and purpose: _____

2. **Provide details on existing uses of the site. Are there existing structures on the site? If yes, describe use and whether they will be demolished or relocated; if residential, give the number of current occupants:** _____

3. **Is site within water and sewer service areas?** _____
4. **Is site within existing city limits?** _____
5. **Are there 25% or greater slopes on the property?** _____
6. **Is the site susceptible to landslides? (refer to Chapter 8 in the General Plan Background Report** _____
7. **Is any portion of the site within the 100 year floodplain?** _____
8. **Is any portion of the site within the 500-year floodplain?** _____
9. **Is the site within an Airport Land Use plan? If yes, what airport plan(s) is it within and do restrictions affect the proposal?** _____
10. **Is the site listed on California EPA's Hazardous Site List?** _____
11. **What is the farmland designation of the proposed site? (refer to Figure I-5 in the General Plan Background Report.** _____
12. **Is the site under agricultural contract? If yes, what is contract # and expiration date?**

III. ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

1. Are the following items applicable to the project or its effects? Discuss at end all items checked yes or maybe (attach additional sheets as necessary).

Yes	Maybe	No		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	A.	Change in existing features of any lakes, reservoirs or hills, or substantial alteration of ground contours.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	B.	Change in scenic views or vistas from existing residential areas or public lands or roads.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	C.	Change in character of general area of project.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	D.	Produce or involve large amounts of solid waste or litter.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	E.	Disrupt or adversely affect a historic or archaeological site.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	F.	Change in dust, ash, smoke, fumes or odors in vicinity.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	G.	Change in lake, stream or ground water quality or quantity, or alteration of existing drainage patterns.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	H.	Substantial change in existing noise or vibration levels in the vicinity.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	I.	Site on filled land or on slope of 10 percent or more.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	J.	Use or disposal of potentially hazardous material such as toxic substances, flammable or explosives.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	K.	Substantial change in demand for public services (police, fire, water, sewage, schools, etc).
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	L.	Substantially increase fuel or energy consumption (electricity, oil, natural gas, etc..
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	M.	Relationship to a larger project or series of projects.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N.	Substantially diminish habitat for fish, wildlife or plants.

Attach photographs that provide thorough coverage of the site. Include photographs of the surrounding properties to illustrate type(s) of land use and intensity of development. Snapshots or Polaroid® photos will be accepted.

- 2. Provide site plan showing buildings, parking, landscaped areas, easements, adjacent streets, driveways, paved areas, public and private utilities and other distinguishing characteristics of the site. The site plan must be accurately drawn to an appropriate scale to adequately depict the required information. All features or structures shown should be accurately labeled. Failure to properly reflect existing and proposed conditions may result in rejection of the initial statement and delay processing the application.**

- 3. Certification: I hereby certify that the statements furnished above and in the attached exhibits present the data and information required for this initial evaluation to best of my ability, and that the facts, statements, and information presented are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that requests may be made for additional information to complete the application.**

DATE: _____

(Name - print)

(Signature)

Revised by Community Development Staff

DATE: _____

(Name - print)

(Signature)

Materials that will assist you answer questions include: The City General Plan, Flood Zone Maps, Assessor Parcel Books, and Zoning Map.