

200 Manabe Ow Road

Special Use Permit with Design Review, Specific Plan Amendment, and Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for a 155,847-square-foot Warehousing and Distribution Facility

View from Highway 1 Northwest





Manabe-Ow Business Park Specific Plan



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Existing Golden Brands Facility – 270 W. Riverside Dr.



Golden Brands Facility – Existing vs. Proposed

	Existing Facility	Proposed Facility
Structure	Leased	Owned
Building	59,700 sq. ft.	155,847 sq. ft.
Truck Docks	3 + Exterior Ramp	20
Truck Parking	15 positions	33 positions
Refrigerated Storage	900 sq. ft.	15,750 sq. ft.
Truck Service	None	4,500 sq. ft.
Employee Amenities	Minimal	 Fitness Center Hospitality/Training Center EV Charging Outdoor Amenity Space Bike Access
Sustainability Solutions	Minimal	 Solar LED Light/Controls EV Service Vehicles Water conservation Increased insulation Electric MHE Efficient, natural refrigerants for Keg storage

Special Use Permit

A Special Use Permit is required for any use with the potential to generate significant impacts such as noise, odor, use of hazardous materials, significant water demand, or any use that is difficult to clearly classify as a business park use. The Zoning Administrator or designated staff member shall make the determination when Tier Two review (Special Use Permit review) is required in accordance with Chapter 6, Section 5 of this Specific Plan. Any warehousing exceeding 30% of the floor area of a business will require a Special Use Permit. No use that requires overnight residential occupancy will be allowed within the Business Park District.





- e) The proposed development incorporates features to minimize adverse effects including visual impacts of the proposed development on adjacent properties:
- Harmony and proportion of the overall design and the appropriate use of materials;
- The suitability of the architectural style for the project; provided, however, it is not the intent of this section to establish any particular architectural style;
- 3) The sitting of the structure on the property, as compared to the sitting of other structures in the immediate neighborhood;
- 4) The size, location, design, color, number, and lighting; and
- 5) The bulk, height, and color of the project structure as compared to the bulk, height, and color of other structures in the immediate neighborhood;









1.5 Specific Plan Purpose and Authorization

The purpose of this specific plan is to provide a blueprint for the development of the project site consistent with Measure U and other provisions of the City's General Plan. The MOBP is authorized by Section 65450 et seq. of the California Government Code. The MOBP is also a condition of the Annexation Agreements signed by and between the City of Watsonville and the property owners.

The MOBP is not intended to be a rigid document; rather it has been developed to provide as much flexibility as allowed by State law and by local ordinance. It should also be noted that the MOBP may be amended over time to reflect the City of Watsonville's most current vision of this vital employment area.



Creativity and Flexibility

that a strong public / private partnership is essential in creating a successful business park. Development of the site requires creativity and flexibility in density, product type, design, and entitlement processing to help the City meet its economic (job growth) objectives. Improvement of the site is anticipated to develop in phases as economic conditions improve, but may take up to 25 years to complete. The plan provides the direction to create a quality park that reflects the desires of the community. It is anticipated that market conditions will improve as

Methods to encourage economically feasible development may include; construction of infrastructure that is only required to functionally serve the project, phasing/deferring initial capital outlays, defining flexible and economically practical design guidelines and parking ratios, allowing for maximization of development density, and allowing a wide range of uses and building types to appeal to a broad market.

4.1 Introduction

This chapter describes the circulation improvements, including vehicular, bicycle, pedestrian and public transportation desired by the City to serve the business park. Moreover, modifications to the circulation requirements and standards contained in this chapter (with certain exceptions noted) may be approved by the City Council if deemed necessary to facilitate development of the business park.

Specific Plan Amendment Findings - WMC §14-12.904

- a) That the proposed location of the development and proposed conditions under which it will be operated or maintained is consistent with the goals and policies embodied in the General Plan;
- b) That the proposed development is in accordance with the purposes and objectives of this title and, in particular, will further the purposes stated for each zoning district;
- c) That the development will not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare of persons residing or working in or adjacent to such a development and properties or improvements in the vicinity or to the general welfare of the City; and
- d) That the Specific Plan and resulting development will be consistent with the provisions of Article 8 of Chapter 3 of Division I of Title 7 of the California Government Code, commencing with Section 65450.

General Plan Consistency

Goal 4.4: Industrial Land Use Goal 4.6: Local Employment Goal 4.7: Land Use Suitability Policy 4.D: Industrial Land Use Implementation Measure 4.D.2: Design and Open Space Implementation Measure 4.D.6: Street and Roadside Improvements Policy 4.F: Economic Development Implementation Measure 4.F.3: Balanced Land Uses Policy 4.G: Land Use Suitability Implementation Measure 4.G.4: Environmental Management Policy 4.1: Land Use Regulation Implementation Measure 4.1.4: Environmental Review Implementation Measure 4.1.6: Traffic Mitigations Goal 10.1: Street and Highway Facilities Goal 10.8: Truck Transportation Implementation Measure 10.A.2: Costs of Improvements

Policy 10.C: Level of Service Implementation Measure 10.C.2: Project Funding

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Implementation Measure 10.F.4: Transportation Systems Management Policy 10.U: Truck Facilities and Routing Implementation Measure 10.U.1: On-Site Facilities Implementation Measure 10.U.2: Access Improvements Implementation Measure 10.U.4: Truck Maneuvering Policy 10.V: Commercial Truck Routes Implementation Measure 10.V.2: Truck Route Signing Goal 9.3: Natural Resources Implementation Measure 9.B.6: Environmental Review Goal 9.4: Air Quality **Policy 9.C:** Air Quality Implementation Measure 9.C.4: Design Review Implementation Measure 9.C.5: Industrial and **Commercial Development** Implementation Measure 9.C.9: Environmental Review Implementation Measure 9.C.10: Construction-related Impacts Goal 9.5: Water Quality Implementation Measure 9.D.5: Wetland Protection Goal 9.6: Soil Conservation Goal 9.10: Archaeological Resources Policy 9.H: Archaeological Resources Implementation Measure 9.H.2: Protection Measures

General Plan Consistency - LOS Impacts



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• Mitigation Measure - MM-3.12-2

- A roundabout at the intersection of Ohlone Parkway/Lighthouse Drive shall be constructed when approximately <u>825,000 square feet</u> of the proposed project has been constructed.
- Construction of the traffic mitigation projects are the sole obligation of the project once the square footage triggers are reached.
- Mitigation Measure MM-3.12-5
 - Prior to the construction of <u>720,000 square feet</u> of the proposed project, a roundabout shall be constructed at the intersection of Ohlone Parkway/Loma Vista Drive.
 - Construction of the traffic mitigation projects are the sole obligation of the project once the square footage triggers are reached.

General Plan Consistency - LOS Impacts

	MOBPSP – As Envisioned		MOBPSP – As Built & Proposed
Total Square Footage	1,025,000	>	658,607
80% Threshold	825,000	>	526,886
70% Threshold	720,000	>	461,025
Square Footage	Project	Cumulative	% Total Dev.
FedEx	194,000	194,000	29.5%
200 Manabe Ow Road	155,847	349,847	53.1%
100 Manabe Ow Road	175,760	525,607	79.8%
East Ohlone Parcels @ 0.3 FAR	133,000	658,607	100%

Ohlone Parkway/Loma Vista Drive Roundabout

- 200 Manabe Ow Road 34%
 - Design roundabouts at Ohlone Parkway/Loma Vista Drive and Ohlone
 Parkway/Lighthouse Drive
 - Pay fair share contribution (34%) towards construction of both roundabouts
- 100 Manabe Ow Road 38%
 - Construct Ohlone Parkway/Loma Vista Drive roundabout
- East Ohlone Parcels 29%
 - Construct Ohlone Parkway/Lighthouse Drive roundabout



CEQA Guidelines Section 15070 - A public agency shall prepare a Negative Declaration or a Mitigated Negative Declaration when:

- 1. The Initial Study shows that there is no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before the agency, that the project may have a significant effect on the environment, or
- 2. The Initial Study identifies potentially significant effects, but:
 - Revisions in the project plans made before a proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study are released for public review would avoid the effects or mitigate the effects to a point where no significant effects would occur, and
 - There is no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before the agency, that the project as revised may have a significant effect on the environment.

Potentially Significant but Mitigable:

- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Noise
- Transportation
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Impacts to all other resource areas found to be less than significant without mitigation

	Aesthetics		Greenhouse Gas Emissions		Public Services
	Agricultural and Forestry Resources	\boxtimes	Hazards and Hazardous Materials		Recreation
	Air Quality		Hydrology/Water Quality	\boxtimes	Transportation
\square	Biological Resources		Land Use/Planning	\boxtimes	Tribal Cultural Resources
\boxtimes	Cultural Resources		Mineral Resources		Utilities/Service Systems
	Energy	\boxtimes	Noise		Wildfire
	Geology/Soils		Population/Housing	\boxtimes	Mandatory Findings of Significance

Public Review:

 Initial Study was available for public review and comment from October 21, 2022, to November 21, 2022.

Comments Received:

- California Department of Fish and Wildlife
- California Department of Transportation
- County of Santa Cruz Environmental Health Division
- Blum Collins & Ho, LLP/Golden State Environmental Justice Alliance
 (Withdrawn)
- Watsonville Wetlands Watch
- Amah Mutsun Tribal Band

Response to Comments Document:

- Provides responses to public comments received on the IS/MND
- Comments addressed through Response to Comments, Errata, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP)

Errata:

• Provides the changes to the final IS/MND that were identified as being needed during the analysis and preparation of the Response to Comments received during the public review period to clarify or amplify the information provided in the Public Draft IS/MND.

Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program:

• The Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) ensures that mitigation measures are implemented in accordance with CEQA requirements.

Staff Recommendation

- Adopt the Initial Study/ and Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program prepared for the project in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and
- 2. Approve a Special Use Permit with Design Review and Environmental Review (App. No. 2138) to allow the construction of a new warehousing and distribution facility totaling 155,847± square feet on an 11.5± acre site located at 200 Manabe Ow Road (APN 018-711-33); and
- 3. Approve an amendment to the Manabe Ow Specific Plan to remove two internal streets from the Land Use Plan and Circulation Plan.