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DELTA SHORES FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

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The Delta Shores Final Environmental Impact Report (Final EIR) has been released for public review. The City has provided copies of responses to written comments on the Draft EIR to persons and agencies submitting such comments.

The following changes are being made to the Final EIR as circulated. The discussion below identifies the changes and the affected sections of the Final EIR.

1. Mitigation Measure 5.4-10 (Final EIR page 2-20 et seq.) and Response to Comment 14-10 (Final EIR page 4-64 et seq.)

Comment 14-10 addressed the potential for impacts to giant garter snake (FGGS) habitat. The response indicates that, based on subsequent review and discussions with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), it was determined that irrigation ditches that had been viewed as potential habitat did not, in fact, provide such habitat. Mitigation Measure 5.4-10 was included to ensure that impacts would not occur.

Mitigation Measure 5.4-10, however, included a provision that would require the applicant to provide a corridor for GGS to move from Morrison Creek into project-constructed detention basins. This provision would encourage GGS movement into areas that do not currently provide habitat, and could result in exposure of GGS to new hazards, thus resulting in potential take. This would not be consistent with applicable law or regulations, and is not causally related to any project impact. For that reason this provision is being deleted from the mitigation measure. The mitigation will read as follows (deleted text is in strikethrough):

5.4-10 The project applicant shall consult with the USFWS to address potential impacts on giant garter snake (GGS). Due to the minimal area of potential impact, it is likely that the proposed project could be covered under the Programmatic Formal Consultation for U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 404 Permitted Projects with Relatively Small Effects on the Giant Garter Snake within Butte, Colusa, Fresno, Merced, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Solano, Stanislaus, Sutter and Yolo Counties, California. For construction activities within the vicinity of Morrison Creek or





the ditch north of the project site, the following avoidance measures shall be implemented consistent with the USFWS-Standard Avoidance and Minimization Measures During Construction Activities in Giant Garter Snake Habitat:

- Confine movement of heavy equipment to existing roadways to minimize habitat disturbance.
- Construction shall be restricted to the active season for GGS (mid-March through early October), or as determined in consultation with the USFWS.
- Construction personnel shall receive Service-approved worker environmental awareness training. This training instructs workers to recognize giant garter snakes and their habitat(s).
- 24-hours prior to construction activities, the project area shall be surveyed for giant garter snakes. Survey of the project area should be repeated if a lapse in construction activity of two weeks or greater has occurred. If a snake is encountered during construction, activities shall cease until appropriate corrective measures have been completed or it has been determined that the snake will not be harmed. Report any sightings and any incidental take to the Service immediately.
- The project applicant shall provide safe corridors that will allow for GGS to move from Morrison Creek into the project-constructed detention basins in the southern portion of the project site, as determined in consultation with the USFWS.

2. Mitigation Measure 5.10-1 (Final EIR page 2-6 et seq.) and Response to Comment 14-67 (Final EIR page 4-92 et seq.)

Comment 14-67 addressed the project's contribution to global climate change. The discussion in the Final EIR stated:

"...The City of Sacramento has not adopted any specific thresholds for the analysis of greenhouse gases; therefore, the DEIR analysis does not include a significance finding for the project's cumulative contribution toward global climate change. Nevertheless, to address this issue with more clarity, the DEIR has been revised with respect to greenhouse gas emissions to note that, while speculative, the impacts of the project on climate change are potentially cumulatively considerable." (emphasis supplied)

The introductory statement to the Mitigation Measure misstated this conclusion by inadvertently omitting the word "potentially" from the text. To correct this typographical error, the introductory statement on pages 2-6 and 4-92 is hereby revised to be consistent with the Responses to Comments and the preceding discussion by reinserting the word "potentially" into the text, as follows (new text in single underline):



Mitigation Measure

The following mitigation measures would help reduce the project's contribution to greenhouse gas emissions; however, the impact would remain <u>potentially</u> *cumulatively considerable*.

