



MERCED IRRIGATION DISTRICT

October 18, 2024

Kayla Abarca
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City of Merced
678 West 18th Street
Merced, CA 95340

Subject: **GPA #24-01 / NEYSPA#6/ TSM#1329**

Dear Ms. Abarca:

The Merced Irrigation District (MID) has reviewed the above referenced project and offers the following comments:

1. MID operates and maintains the Sells Lateral, which traverses the subject parcel within a 40' wide easement as described in Volume 2790 of Official Records, at Page 422, Merced County Records and within blanket easements granted by various water contracts. MID is currently utilizing approximately 75' for the operation and maintenance of the Sells Lateral.
2. MID's conditions mirror those of the planning response sent October 18th, 2024 for Tentative Subdivision Map No. 1329.

MID requests that the County require, as conditions of approval, the following:

1. An Encroachment Agreement with MID will be required for any work associated with MID facilities and for any roadways, walkways, bike paths, utilities and pipelines crossing MID facilities or rights of way.
2. Enter into a deferment of construction agreement to place the Sells Lateral in an underground pipeline meeting MID standards and a possible new alignment to better accommodate the proposed development within the subject parcel as determined by MID. MID would then ask for appropriate width deeded exclusive easements in exchange for the quitclaiming portions of the existing easement now in place.

3. If storm water runoff from the site is to be discharged into an MID facility, the Owner would be required to enter into a Storm Drainage Agreement with the MID, paying all applicable fees.
4. No structures, trees or fences will be allowed within MID rights of way.
5. MID reserves the right for further comment as unforeseen circumstances may arise.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above referenced application. Should you have any questions, please contact me at [REDACTED].

Sincerely,

Dusty Ryan

Dusty Ryan
Engineering Technician