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CA SFM – Subdivision Survey Report:

General Comment(s):

Subdivision name: Deer Creek Mill – City is incorrect, should be Pine Flat or California Hot Springs.

Site Survey and Fire Survey:

Type(s) of vegetation within and around the subdivision:

County Comments:

Rio Vista (21-TUU-1D7A) - TC Fire, No Comment.
Bear Creek Road - TC Fire, No Comment.
Mineral King – TC Fire, No Comment.
Rio Vista (21-TUU-DAD1) – TC Fire, No Comment.
Balch Park Road – TC Fire, No Comment.
Deer Creek Mill – TC Fire, No Comment.
Kaweah River – TC Fire, No Comment.
Dinley – TC Fire, No Comment.
Quail Run – TC Fire, No Comment.
Cherokee Oaks – TC Fire, No Comment.
Old Stage – TC Fire, No Comment.
South Fork Dr. – TC Fire, No Comment.
Alta Acres - TC Fire, No Comment.

Residential structure types identified:

County Comment:

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Old Stage – TC Fire, No Comment.

South Fork Dr. – TC Fire, No Comment.
Alta Acres - TC Fire, No Comment.

Identified water source(s) availability:

County comments:

Rio Vista (21-TUU-1D7A) - All construction after 2007 required an NFPA 1142 complaint Fire Water Storage tank.
Bear Creek Road - All construction after 2007 required an NFPA 1142 complaint Fire Water Storage tank.
Mineral King – All construction after 2007 required an NFPA 1142 complaint Fire Water Storage tank.
Rio Vista (21-TUU-DAD1) – All construction after 2007 required an NFPA 1142 complaint Fire Water Storage tank.
Balch Park Road – All construction after 2007 required an NFPA 1142 complaint Fire Water Storage tank.
Deer Creek Mill – All construction after 2007 required an NFPA 1142 complaint Fire Water Storage tank. Some areas have hydrants provided by Del Oro water.
Kaweah River – All construction after 2007 required an NFPA 1142 complaint Fire Water Storage tank.
Dinley – All construction after 2007 required an NFPA 1142 complaint Fire Water Storage tank.
Quail Run – TC Fire, No Comment
Cherokee Oaks – Area is protected by Fire Hydrants.
Old Stage – All construction after 2007 required an NFPA 1142 complaint Fire Water Storage tank.
South Fork Dr. – All construction after 2007 required an NFPA 1142 complaint Fire Water Storage tank.
Alta Acres - TC Fire, No Comment

Is there a secondary egress route in the subdivision? (PRC 4290.5, 14 CCR 1267.01(a)(i)(ii))

County comments:

Rio Vista (21-TUU-1D7A) - Rio Vista has two points of ingress and egress from Highway 190, Mountain Road 190-A and Bridge Drive.
Bear Creek Road - TC Fire, No Comment
Mineral King – TC Fire, No Comment
Rio Vista (21-TUU-DAD1) – Rio Vista has two points of ingress and egress from Highway 190, Mountain Road 190-A and Bridge Drive.
Balch Park Road – Balch Park Road subdivision has 2 points of ingress and egress, Yokohl Dr and Hwy 190.
Deer Creek Mill – TC Fire, No Comment, Note: White River is a Forest Road maintained in the summer months.
Kaweah River – TC Fire, No Comment
Dinley – TC Fire, No Comment
Quail Run – TC Fire, No Comment
Cherokee Oaks – TC Fire, No Comment
Old Stage – TC Fire, No Comment
South Fork Dr. – TC Fire, No Comment

Alta Acres - TC Fire, No Comment

Is the secondary egress rout navigable by a passenger vehicle weighing 6,000 pounds or less, of equal construction standard of the primary road? (14 CCR 1267.01(a)(i)).

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Rio Vista (21-TUU-1D7A) - Yes
Bear Creek Road - TC Fire, No Comment
Mineral King – TC Fire, No Comment
Rio Vista (21-TUU-DAD1) – Yes
Balch Park Road – TC Fire, No Comment
Deer Creek Mill – Yes, when maintained by Forest Service.
Kaweah River – TC Fire, No Comment
Dinley – TC Fire, No Comment
Quail Run – TC Fire, No Comment
Cherokee Oaks – TC Fire, No Comment
Old Stage – TC Fire, No Comment
South Fork Dr. – TC Fire, No Comment
Alta Acres - TC Fire, No Comment

Is there another road with locked gates or limited access: or a road that directs traffic to the same outlet road as the primary road or results in a circular traffic flow, to the extent practicable? (14 CCR 1267.01 (a)(ii)).

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Balch Park Road – TC Fire, No Comment
Deer Creek Mill – TC Fire, No Comment
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Recommendations by State:

- Create a secondary access to the subdivision.

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- Make improvements to the existing secondary access to the subdivision.

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- Install reflective addressing signs for structures and roads in conformance with 14 CCR § 1274.02, 1274.03, and 1274.04 and the California Fire code, California Code of Regulations, title 24, part 9.

County Comments:

Rio Vista (21-TUU-1D7A) - TC Fire - All new construction is required to have reflective address. posted. visible from the road.
Bear Creek Road - TC Fire - All new construction is required to have reflective address.
Mineral King – TC Fire - All new construction is required to have reflective address.
Rio Vista (21-TUU-DAD1) – TC Fire - All new construction is required to have reflective address.
Balch Park Road – TC Fire - All new construction is required to have reflective address.
Deer Creek Mill – TC Fire - All new construction is required to have reflective address.
Kaweah River – TC Fire - All new construction is required to have reflective address.
Dinley – TC Fire - All new construction is required to have reflective address.
Quail Run – TC Fire - All new construction is required to have reflective address.
Cherokee Oaks – TC Fire - All new construction is required to have reflective address.
Old Stage – TC Fire - All new construction is required to have reflective address.
South Fork Dr. – TC Fire - All new construction is required to have reflective address.
Alta Acres – TC Fire - All new construction is required to have reflective address.

- Install reflective evacuation route street signs directing residents from their local roads to the nearest collector road(s) and/or arterial highway(s) (see California Highway Design manual for definitions), based on the standards for emergency management signing in the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices

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- Where additional routes may exist, but with a gate that does not conform to the requirements in 14 CCR § 1273.09, recommend that gates (including private gates) remain unlocked during red flag warnings or high fire danger conditions.

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- Where side street parking narrows the road to a smaller width that the standards in 14 CCR § 1273.01, during red flag warnings or conditions of high fire danger, limit street parking so a wider pathway is available to support rapid evacuation.

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- Conduct community-wide evacuation drills.

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Rio Vista (21-TUU-DAD1) –
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Dinley –
Quail Run –
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South Fork Dr. –
Alta Acres –

- Install reflective markers to indicate road edges or other areas of danger that might not be evident during periods of low visibility.

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Mineral King –
Rio Vista (21-TUU-DAD1) –
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Deer Creek Mill –
Kaweah River –
Dinley –
Quail Run –
Cherokee Oaks –
Old Stage –
South Fork Dr. –

PRC 4290.5

(a) On or before July 1, 2021, and every five years thereafter, the board, in consultation with the State Fire Marshal, shall survey local governments, including counties, cities, and fire districts to identify existing subdivisions located in a state responsibility area or a very high fire hazard severity zone, identified pursuant to Section 51178 of the Government Code, without a secondary egress route that are at significant fire risk.

(b)(1) The board, in consultation with the State Fire Marshal and the local government that identified the subdivision, shall develop recommendations to improve the subdivision's fire safety. The recommendations may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (A) Creating secondary access to the subdivision.
- (B) Improvements to the existing access road.
- (C) Other additional fire safety measures.

(2) The board shall provide the final recommendations developed pursuant to this subdivision to the local government that identified the subdivision and to the residents of the subdivision.

(c) The board may enter into contracts with an independent group to conduct the survey required in subdivision (a).

(d) For purposes of this section, “subdivision” means an existing residential development of more than 30 dwelling units.

(e) The board shall maintain a list of the subdivisions identified in subdivision (a) and the status of the implementation of the recommendations provided pursuant to subdivision (b).

14 CCR 1267.01

(a) On or before July 1, 2021, and every five years thereafter, the board, in consultation with the State Fire Marshal, shall survey local governments, including counties, cities, and fire districts, to identify existing subdivisions without an adequate secondary egress route in all SRA or LRA mapped as a very high fire hazard severity zone.

(i) An adequate secondary egress route is a road, navigable by a passenger vehicle weighing 6,000 pounds or less, of equal construction standard to the primary road. The secondary road does not have to be rated to carry the same quantity of traffic (e.g., a two-lane paved road and a one-lane paved road is acceptable).

(ii) An adequate secondary egress route is not:

- (A) a road with locked gates or limited access; or
- (B) a road that directs traffic to the same outlet road as the primary road or results in a circular traffic flow, to the extent practicable.

(b) Local government officials, including elected officials, fire officials, or representatives of agencies that govern land use planning and subdivision design, may request the board and the State Fire Marshal survey specific subdivisions in their jurisdiction.