NOTICE OF PREPARATION

To: Interested Agencies and Organizations
(Agency)

Subject: **Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report**

Lead Agency:

Agency Name: City of Porterville

Street Address: 291 N. Main St.
City/State/Zip: Porterville, CA 93257

Contact: Mr. Benjamin Kimball

Consulting Firm:

Firm Name: Impact Sciences

Street Address: 803 Camarillo Springs Road, Ste A
City/State/Zip: Camarillo, CA 93012

Contact: Mr. Ken Koch

THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE will be the Lead Agency and will prepare an environmental impact report (EIR) for the project identified below. We need to know the views of your agency as to the scope and content of the environmental information that is germane to your agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project. Your agency will need to use the EIR prepared by our agency when considering your permit or other approval for the project.

The project description, location, and the potential environmental effects are contained in the attached materials. A copy of the Initial Study (☒ is ☐ is not) attached.

Public Review Period: September 29, 2008 to October 28, 2008 at 5:00 PM

Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your response must be sent at the earliest possible date but ***not later than 30 days*** after receipt of this notice.

Public Scoping Meeting: October 15, 2008, 6 PM to 7 PM
City of Porterville Council Chambers
291 N. Main St.
Porterville, CA 93257

Please send your response to Mr. Benjamin Kimball at the address shown above. We will need the name for a contact person in your agency.

Project Title: Riverwalk Marketplace Phase 2
Project Location: City of Porterville (City (nearest)) Tulare (County)

Project Description: (brief)
The project involves construction and operation of a retail commercial center containing 225,580 square feet of floor space distributed among five building pads. The principal building pad will contain a Wal-Mart totaling 184,109 sf. This retail anchor would be constructed on the northern 3.95 acres of the site, with 554,954 square feet of surface parking containing 921 parking stalls positioned immediately to the south of the building pad. The remaining retail pads are located along the perimeter of the project site fronting Vandalia Avenue and Indiana Street. Pad 12 is approximately 1 acre in size and is programmed for 9,386 square feet of floor space supported by 49 parking stalls. Pad 13 is 1.14 acres in size and is programmed for 10,995 square feet supported by 60 stalls. Pad 14 would contain a 14,090-square-foot structure supported by 99 parking stalls. Last, out lot A is programmed for a 7,000-square- foot structure supported by 70 parking stalls.

Date: September 17, 2008

Ken Koch **for Benjamin Kimball**
Signature
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Reference: California Code of Regulations, Title 14, (CEQA Guidelines) Sections 15082(a), 15103, 15375. *Revised October 1989*