# 4.2 Agriculture and Forestry Resources

In determining whether impacts to agricultural resources are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to the California Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Model (1997) prepared by the California Department of Conservation as an optional model to use in assessing impacts on agriculture and farmland. In determining whether impacts to forest resources, including timberland, are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to information compiled by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection regarding the state’s inventory of forest land, including the Forest and Range Assessment Project and the Forest Legacy Assessment project; and forest carbon measurement methodology provided in Forest Protocols adopted by the California Air Resources Board. Would the project:

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**a)** Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?

**No Impact.** The proposed project would include construction of the MUST facility and associated conveyance facilities along the Los Angeles River, from State Route 91 (SR-91) to the Golden Shore RV Resort. The project site has been previously disturbed by development and does not contain any farmland. According to Figure 9.5, Agricultural Resource Areas Policy Map of the General Plan, no farmland exists within the site vicinity. Thus, no impacts would occur in this regard.

**Mitigation Measures:** No mitigation is required.

**b)** Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?

**No Impact.** As shown in Table 4.10-2, Zoning Designations, no zoning for agricultural use currently applies to the project site and surrounding areas. Additionally, the project site is not a part of a Williamson Act contract. Thus, no impacts would occur in this regard.

**Mitigation Measures:** No mitigation is required.
c) Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104(g))?

No Impact. Refer to Responses 4.2(a) and 4.2(b). No zoning for forest land or timberland exists within the project site, and no impacts would occur in this regard.

Mitigation Measures: No mitigation is required.

d) Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?

No Impact. Refer to Responses 4.2(b) and 4.2(c). No impacts would occur in this regard.

Mitigation Measures: No mitigation is required.

e) Involve other changes in the existing environment, which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?

No Impact. As stated above in Responses 4.2(a) through 4.2(c), the project site occurs within an urbanized area and is void of agricultural or forest resources. Thus, there is no potential for the conversion of these resources and no impacts would occur in this regard.

Mitigation Measures: No mitigation is required.