

CHECKLIST OF INFORMATION TO BE SHOWN ON TENTATIVE MAPS

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General Design Requirements

The checklist below summarizes the design requirements for tentative tract or parcel maps. Prior to submitting a tentative tract or parcel map for review, ensure that the tentative map is in compliance with all of the applicable design requirements of Section 8205-5 of the Ventura County Subdivision Ordinance. These design requirements are intended to enable optimal usability of each lot, preserve on- and off-site resources, minimize the potential for adverse impacts on adjacent property, minimize the need for additional infrastructure, and maintain consistency with appropriate General Plan policies and Zoning Ordinances. For a full description of the design requirements, refer to Section 8205-5 of the Ventura County Subdivision Ordinance.

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	Lot Area: All proposed lots shall conform to the minimum lot area requirements of the General Plan and zone designation in which the property is located. (VCSO § 8205-5.1.1)
	Lot Lines: Each sideline of a proposed lot shall be as close to perpendicular to the centerline of the street as practicable at the point at which the lot sideline terminates. (VCSO § 8205-5.1.2)
	Lot Width: All proposed lots shall conform to the minimum lot width requirements of the zone in which the property is located. No lot, other than a flag lot, shall have less than 40 feet of frontage, unless the minimum lot width of the zone is less than 40 feet. No flag lot shall have an access strip less than 20 feet. (VCSO § 8205-5.1.3)
	Lot Depth: For all proposed lots, the average lot depth shall not be greater than three times the average lot width unless the Planning Director, upon information presented by the applicant, determines that a greater depth is justified. See VCSO § 8205-5.1.4 for criteria to justify modification of this requirement.
	Buildable Site: Each proposed lot shall have at least one buildable site. See exceptions at VCSO § 8205-5.1.5.
	Setbacks: Each buildable site shall demonstrate that future and existing buildings can comply with the development standards of the zone designation pursuant to the applicable zoning ordinance and the Ventura County Building Code. (VCSO § 8205-5.1.6)
	Access: There shall be approved access to the subdivision and all lots within the subdivision shall have ingress and egress that meets the regulations regarding road standards for vehicles and fire equipment access. (VCSO § 8205-5.1.7)
	Agricultural Viability: Each proposed lot which is subject to an LCA shall be capable of sustaining, independently of any other lot, a viable commercial agricultural use. (VCSO § 8205-5.1.8)
	Cultural Heritage Site: When required, the design of a subdivision shall not adversely affect the historical, architectural, or aesthetic interest or value of a potential or designated cultural heritage site. The design shall be reviewed by the Cultural Heritage Board and be granted a certificate of appropriateness or certificate of review. (VCSO § 8205-5.1.9)
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