

## **3.10 MINERAL RESOURCES**

### **3.10.1 SETTING**

The extraction of mineral resources takes place in the San Ardo area (oil), in Hollister, Marina, Scotts Valley and North Santa Cruz County coast (sand mining), and in portions of San Benito County (asbestos mining). In addition, quarrying activity takes place in all three Monterey Bay area counties.

### **3.10.2 IMPACTS AND MITIGATION MEASURES**

#### **THRESHOLDS OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Implementation of the three plans could have a significant environmental impact if it were to result in:

- The loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state; or
- The loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan.

Implementation of the projects identified in the financially constrained Action Elements of the three plans would not be expected to result in the loss of availability of any known mineral resource or mineral resource recovery site.