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Regarding SCH #2009022083

The Los Banos Area of the California Highway Patrol received the "Notice of Completion & Environmental Document" for the California High-Speed Rail Project: San Jose to Merced Project Section for the State Clearinghouse, SCH #2009022083. After review, there are concerns with the potential impact this project could have on traffic congestion.

The concerns relate to the construction section in Merced County, involving Interstate 5, State Route 33, McCabe Road, and Henry Miller Road. These roads will potentially have construction and roadway improvements at several intersections and throughout the roadways themselves. These potential construction and roadway improvements could cause traffic congestion, increased travel times, heavy truck traffic, and response times to calls for service. This project could have a negative impact on our operations due to the increased traffic congestion and construction, which could necessitate the need for additional traffic control measures to mitigate the potential increase in traffic hazards and collisions.

If you have any questions regarding these concerns, please contact me at (209)826-3811.

Sincerely,

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Commander Los Banos Area

cc: Central Division

