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Governor's Office of Planning &amp; Research

**OCT 09 2019****STATE CLEARINGHOUSE**

Jason Golding  
City of Duarte  
1600 Huntington Drive  
Duarte, CA 91010

**Re: Duarte Station Specific Plan  
SCH# 2013041032 – Supplement/Subsequent Environmental Impact Report**

Dear Mr. Golding:

The California Public Utilities Commission (Commission/CPUC) has jurisdiction over rail crossings (crossings) in California. CPUC ensures that crossings are safely designed, constructed, and maintained. The Commission's Rail Crossings Engineering Branch (RCEB) is in receipt of the Supplement/Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed Duarte Station Specific Plan (Project). City of Duarte is the lead agency (City).

The project entails a mixed-use plan for the area that would include up to 475 residential units, up to 250 hotel rooms, up to 400,000 square feet of office space, and up to 12,000 square feet of retail space. The area covered by the Specific Plan is 19.08 acres in size and is currently the location of three industrial manufacturing buildings.

The project site area includes an active rail crossing near the proposed project at Highland Ave and E. Duarte Rd. The new development may increase traffic volumes not only on the streets and at intersections, but also at at-grade crossings. A traffic impact study should be conducted and any potential mitigations affecting the crossing should be discussed with RCEB.

In addition, since the primary goal of the updated Duarte Specific Plan is to provide flexibility in accommodating the development of a mixed-use transit village, any development resulting in modification of the existing Gold Line light rail station in order to facilitate pedestrian access across rail tracks will require authorization from the Commission.

RCEB representatives are available to discuss any potential safety impacts or concerns at crossings. Please continue to keep RCEB informed of the project's development. More information can be found at: <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/crossings>.

If you have any questions, please contact Jose Pereyra at (213) 576-7083, or [JFP@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:JFP@cpuc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jose Pereyra", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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