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11-SD-76 Upper and Lower San Luis Rey Water Reclamation Facility Recycled Water Conveyance System SCH#2014081028

Ms. Lindsay Leahy City of Oceanside 300 N. Coast Highway Oceanside, CA, 92054

Dear Ms. Leahy:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the approval for the Upper and Lower San Luis Rey Water Reclamation Facility Recycled Water Conveyance System located near State Route 76 (SR-76). The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability. The Local Development-Intergovernmental Review (LD-IGR) Program reviews land use projects and plans to ensure consistency with our mission and state planning priorities.

Caltrans has the following comments:

<u>Biology</u>

Compensatory mitigation is required and should be approved by the appropriate resource agencies prior to project approval.

<u>Cultural</u>

All California Register eligible historical resources within the project footprint and Caltrans Right-of-Way (R/W) shall be avoided.

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Traffic Control Plan/Hauling

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has discretionary authority with respect to highways under its jurisdiction and may, upon application and if good cause appears, issue a special permit to operate or move a vehicle or combination of vehicles or special mobile equipment of a size or weight of vehicle or load exceeding the maximum limitations specified in the California Vehicle Code. The Caltrans Transportation Permits Issuance Branch is responsible for the issuance of these special transportation permits for oversize/overweight vehicles on the State Highway System. Additional information is provided online at:

http://www.dot.ca.gov/trafficops/permits/index.html

A Traffic Control Plan may need to be submitted to Caltrans District 11, including closures at any interchanges at SR-76, at least 30 days prior to the start of any construction. Traffic shall not be unreasonably delayed. The plan shall also outline suggested detours to use during closures, including routes and signage.

Potential impacts to the highway facilities (SR-76) and traveling public from the detour, demolition and other construction activities should be discussed and addressed before work begins.

If any state facility closures are required, City of Oceanside shall prepare and submit to Caltrans closure plans as part of the encroachment permit application. The plans shall require that closure or partial closure of SR-76 be limited to times as to create the least possible inconvenience to the traveling public and that signage be posted prior to the closure to alert drivers of the closure in accordance with Caltrans requirements. Traffic shall not be unreasonably delayed. The plan shall also outline suggested detours to use during the closures, traffic, including routes and signage.

The Highway Closure Plan, as part of the encroachment permit, should be submitted to Caltrans at least 30 days prior to initiating installation of the crossings. No work shall begin in Caltrans' Right of Way (R/W) until an encroachment permit is approved. Ms. Lindsay Leahy October 22, 2019 Page 3

<u>Right-of-Way</u>

Any work performed within Caltrans' R/W will require discretionary review and approval by Caltrans and an encroachment permit will be required for any work within the Caltrans' R/W prior to construction. As part of the encroachment permit process, the applicant must provide an approved final environmental document including the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determination addressing any environmental impacts within the Caltrans' R/W, and any corresponding technical studies. Identification of avoidance and/or mitigation measures will be a condition of the encroachment permit approval as well as procurement of any necessary regulatory and resource agency permits.

If you have any questions, please contact Kimberly Dodson of the Caltrans Development Review Branch, at (619) 688-2510 or by e-mail sent to Kimberly.Dodson@dot.ca.gov

Sincerely,

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