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> RE: De Soto Trunk Line Project – Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) SCH # 2018111045 GTS # 07-LA-2018-03221 Vic. LA-118/PM: R 3.271 to LA-27/PM: 16.576

Dear Christopher Lopez:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for this project's Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND). The proposed project would replace a portion of the existing De Soto Trunk Line and Roscoe Trunk Line. The replacement trunk lines would extend along Devonshire Street from De Soto Avenue to Mason Avenue (0.5 miles), along Mason Avenue from Devonshire Street to Roscoe Boulevard (2.6 miles), and along Roscoe Boulevard from Mason Avenue to De Soto Avenue (0.5 miles). The project would also involve trunk line replacements at the intersection of De Soto Avenue and Victory Boulevard (totaling 900 feet). The proposed project would also include installation of maintenance/access holes, isolation valves, blow-offs, air/vacuum valves, and flowmeters that are required for the operation, monitoring, and maintenance of the trunk lines. The project would increase the safety, capacity, and reliability of the City of Los Angeles potable water supply in the western San Fernando Valley area.

After reviewing this project's MND, Caltrans does not expect project approval to result in a direct adverse impact to the existing State transportation facilities.

As a reminder, any transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials which requires use of oversized-transport vehicles on State highways will need a Caltrans transportation permit. We recommend large size truck trips be limited to off-peak commute periods.

If you have any questions, please contact Reece Allen, the project coordinator, at reece.allen@dot.ca.gov, and refer to GTS # 07-LA-2018-03221

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Sincerely

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