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February 25, 2019

Cynthia de la Torre
 City of Long Beach
 333 W. Ocean Blvd, 5th Floor
 Long Beach, CA 90802

RE: Drive-Through Use Zoning Code
 Amendment – Negative Declaration (ND)
 SCH # 2019029083
 GTS # 07-LA-2019-02275
 Vic. City of Long Beach

Dear Ms. De la Torre:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced project's Negative Declaration (ND). The proposed project would consist of the following changes to Title 21 of the Long Beach Municipal Code (zoning ordinance) collectively referred to as the project: 1) create a zoning code definition for drive-through facilities; 2) update the commercial and industrial zones permitted use tables with the new drive-through facility definition; 3) require a CUP for new fast food drive-through and expansions in industrial zones and in all planned development districts for consistency with the existing review process in the commercial zones that allow this use; 4) make reference to the design guidelines that will be developed at a later time and will supplement the drive-through regulations in the zoning code; 5) include a provision to address the demolition and/or rebuilding of a drive-through facility approved under a previous CUP and subsequently, made legally nonconforming with the project; and 6) provide new required findings specific to the drive-through use.

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

If you have any questions regarding these comments, please contact project coordinator Reece Allen, at reece.allen@dot.ca.gov and refer to GTS# 07-LA-2019-02275

Sincerely,

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 IGR/CEQA Branch Chief

cc: Scott Morgan, State Clearinghouse