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LANDINGS LOGISTICS CENTER

Mx. Taylor Schoene
Kern County
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Dear Mx. Schoene:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the Notice of Preparation for the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the proposal to build a multi-use industrial complex with a net total of 66.48 acres, titled the Landings Logistics Center project. The project site is located east of State Route (SR) 65 and SR 99, south of Petrol Road, north of Merle Haggard Drive, in the County of Kern.

The proposed project will build 1,232,585 square feet of Light Industrial, 70,738 square feet of Light Industrial with a 150-room hotel, 63,206 square feet of Light Industrial with a 150-room hotel, and 20,000 square feet of Neighborhood Commercial.

The mission of the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability. To ensure a safe and efficient transportation system, we encourage early consultation and coordination with local jurisdictions and project proponents on all development projects that utilize the multimodal transportation network.

Caltrans provides the *following comments* consistent with the State's smart mobility goals that support a vibrant economy and sustainable communities:

1. This project will substantially increase in the number of peak hour trips during operation. This will impact the State Highway System. Caltrans recommends that a Transportation Impact Study (TIS) be completed for this project. Caltrans has been entrusted to protect the State Highway system to ensure the safe and efficient movement of people and goods throughout the State. Our task is to protect California's transportation system, essential for the continued economic vitality of the State and the safety of the general motoring public. Our recommendation for a TIS is based on our need to fully assess this project's impacts, and to recommend mitigation for any and all project-related impacts to the State Highway System.

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2. Prior to conducting the TIS, Caltrans requests the project proponent to submit a scope of work, which should at minimum include the SR 65/Merle Haggard Drive intersection, the SR 99/7th Standard Road interchange, and the SR 99 off-ramp to the SR 65.
3. The report should identify the impacts to the State Highway System and its vicinity to identify deficiencies in traffic circulation for the area, including main intersections, trip generation data, and any other pertinent information.
4. The TIS should determine and identify the project's equitable fair share for mitigation of cumulative impacts, as well as any potential opening day mitigation.

If you have any further questions, contact Scott Lau at (559) 445-5763 or scott.lau@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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