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City of Tehachapi

117 South Robinson Street

Tehachapi, California 93561

File: Ker-58-94.2

DEIR

SCH #: 2019070009

Sage Ranch Development Project - Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)

Dear Mr. Schlosser:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 9 appreciates the opportunity to review the DEIR for the residential proposal for the southeast corner of East Valley Boulevard/Clearwater Street. As I mentioned during our March 17, 2020 phone conversation, a July 9, 2019 State Clearinghouse letter gave us the impression the project had been "withdrawn" ... and "no further review or comment is required..." Hence, we did not send a letter for the Notice of Preparation.

Also, as discussed during that phone conversation, we wondered why the Summit/State Route 58 area intersections were not included in the Sage Ranch Traffic Impact Study (TIS). Thank you for providing clarifications. We concur with your reasoning as to why there was no strong nexus to include them.

We are satisfied with the Sage Ranch TIS's coverage of the State highway facilities and the mitigation (such as the Tehachapi Regional Transportation Impact Fee Program) included therein.

We value our cooperative working relationship with the City of Tehachapi regarding project impacts to the State transportation system and its travelers. Feel free to contact me at (760) 872-0785 or gayle.rosander@dot.ca.gov for any questions.

Sincerely,

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c: State Clearinghouse

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