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The East Sacramento Area Office of the California Highway Patrol recently received a “Notice of Preparation,” Environmental Impact Report for the proposed Preserve Project in the City of Rancho Cordova, State Clearing House (SCH) #2019100515. After our review, we have concerns with the potential impact this project could have on traffic congestion, and an increase in calls for service within our jurisdiction.

The actual proposed community is within the Rancho Cordova City limits, but the ingress and egress routes are within the jurisdiction of the California Highway Patrol, East Sacramento Area’s jurisdiction. Our concerns relate to the proposed construction of a master planned community to include 434 residential units on 71.58 acres, and public parks on 26.12 acres. This project is located north of Grantline Road, south of Sunrise Boulevard between Prairie City Road and Jackson Road. There are several major roadways that will be impacted by the increased traffic congestion. Jackson Road, State Route 16 (SR-16), is a two-lane undivided highway with minimal shoulders, surrounded by agricultural fields. SR-16 already experiences significant traffic delays/congestion during commute hours and heavy commercial vehicle traffic due to the commercial businesses within the area and the County Landfill. These roads are also used as a major commuter thoroughfare for Amador County, and numerous communities within Sacramento, San Joaquin, and El Dorado Counties. SR-16, Sunrise Boulevard, White Rock Road, Prairie City Road and Grantline Road are roadways within our jurisdiction that are significant ingress and egress routes that will be used to access the proposed community from both US Highway 50 and State Route 99 (SR-99). There are numerous cross streets within the vicinity of the planned project that will also see an increase in traffic congestion.

The aforementioned roadways currently experience traffic congestion and significant delays during commute hours, and without proper traffic management engineering prior to the development of the proposed community, traffic congestion will continue to increase. All of the roadways mentioned are two lane roadways that were originally developed for a rural community and were not designed to accommodate the rapid increase in population. This



project will negatively impact our operations due to the increased traffic congestion, which will lead to an increase in traffic collisions, calls for service, and ultimately will significantly increase our response time. The mission of the California Highway Patrol is to provide the highest level of Safety, Service and Security. The delays in service due to the traffic congestion will impact our ability to provide the service the citizens deserve.

If you have any questions regarding these concerns, please contact Lieutenant Johnson at (916) 464-1450.

Sincerely,

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Commander

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