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DETENTION BASINS D & E
EASTSIDE REGIONAL PARK (8)
SCH # 2019129021

SENT VIA EMAIL

Mr. Paul Scheibel, Principal Planner
Community Development – Planning Division
City of Visalia
315 E. Acequia Avenue
Visalia, CA 93291

Dear Mr. Scheibel:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) to develop 2 (two) Detention basins (Basins: D and E) on approximately 25 acres within the Master Planned 288-acre Eastside Regional Park. The Eastside Regional Park project will provide outdoor recreational facilities consisting of a 2.3-mile trail system, a 10-station Para-course fitness circuit, an 18-hole disc-golf course and 54 acres for an integrated groundwater recharge system (which include Basins D and E). The project site is located north of SR 198 and south of SR 216, bounded by the future alignment of Tower Road (Road 148) on the west side and Road 152 on the east side.

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

1. Caltrans anticipates based on the project description that construction of basins D and E would have a minimal impact to State Highway System (SR 198 and SR 216).
2. However, Caltrans would like to review all subsequent phases of the Eastside Regional Park in regards to other detention basins and the multipurpose recreation facilities.

If you have any other questions, please call me at (559) 488-7396.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Deel".

DAVID DEEL
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