

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DISTRICT 11
4050 TAYLOR STREET, MS-240
SAN DIEGO, CA 92110
PHONE (619) 688-3137
FAX (619) 688-4299
TTY 711
www.dot.ca.gov



*Making Conservation
a California Way of Life.*

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

FEB 24 2020

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

February 24, 2020

11-SD-VAR I-5, I-8, SR-163

The Navy Old Town Campus Revitalization
NOI SCH#2020020148

Mr. Ron Bochenek
Navy OTC Revitalization EIS Project Manager
Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest
1220 Pacific Highway (Code EV21. RB)
San Diego, CA 92132

Dear Mr. Bochenek:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the review process for the Navy Old Town Campus (OTC) revitalization project development located near Interstate 5 (I-5) and I-8. The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability. The Local Development-Intergovernmental Review (LD-IGR) Program reviews land use projects and plans to ensure consistency with our mission and state planning priorities.

Caltrans has the following comments:

Traffic

A traffic impact study (TIS) is necessary to determine this proposed project's near-term and long-term impacts to the State facilities – existing and proposed – and to propose appropriate mitigation measures.

- Please include ramp intersections at I-5, I-8, and State Route 163 (SR-163). The geographic area examined in the TIS should also include, at a minimum, all regionally significant arterial system segments and intersections, including State highway facilities where the project will add over 100 peak hour trips. State highway facilities that are experiencing noticeable delays should be analyzed in the scope of the traffic study for projects that add 50 to 100 peak hour trips.

- A focused analysis may be required for project trips assigned to a State highway facility that is experiencing significant delay, such as where traffic queues exceed ramp storage capacity.
- In addition, the TIS should include a vehicles miles traveled (VMT) analysis into the modeling projections, and TIS findings.
- Any increase in goods movement operations and its impacts to State highway facilities should be addressed in the TIS.
- The data used in the TIS should not be more than 2 years old.
- Please provide Synchro Version 10 files.
- Early coordination is recommended.

Plan and Project Coordination

In coordination with local agencies and Caltrans, SANDAG is currently developing an Access Study to the San Diego International Airport. Coordination with this effort is encouraged.

Caltrans is developing an I-5 South Bay Coastal Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan (CMCP) which will include the segment of I-5 adjacent to the OTC revitalization project. Please coordinate with Caltrans on this effort as the Navy develops its environmental document.

Complete Streets and Mobility Network

Caltrans views all transportation improvements as opportunities to improve safety, access and mobility for all travelers in California and recognizes bicycle, pedestrian and transit modes as integral elements of the transportation system. Caltrans supports improved transit accommodation through the provision of Park and Ride facilities, improved bicycle and pedestrian access and safety improvements, signal prioritization for transit, bus on shoulders, ramp improvements, or other enhancements that promotes a complete and integrated transportation system. Early coordination with Caltrans, in locations that may affect both Caltrans and the City of San Diego, is encouraged. To reduce greenhouse gas emissions and achieve California's Climate Change target, Caltrans is implementing Complete Streets and Climate Change policies into State Highway Operations and Protection Program (SHOPP) projects to

Mr. Ron Bochenek
February 24, 2020
Page 3

meet multi-modal mobility needs. Caltrans acknowledges the agreement between the Navy and the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) to potentially develop a modern multimodal transportation facility on the site.

Caltrans looks forward to working with the Navy to evaluate potential Complete Streets projects and implement a world class multimodal transportation facility.

Right-of-Way

Any work performed within Caltrans' Right-of-Way (R/W) will require discretionary review and approval by Caltrans and an encroachment permit will be required for any work within the Caltrans' R/W prior to construction. As part of the encroachment permit process, the applicant must provide an approved final environmental document including the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determination addressing any environmental impacts within the Caltrans' R/W, and any corresponding technical studies.

If you have any questions, please contact Roger Sanchez-Rangel, of the Caltrans Development Review Branch, at (619) 688-6494 or by e-mail sent to roger.sanchez-rangel@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



Maurice Eaton, Branch Chief
Local Development and Intergovernmental Review Branch