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Westside Canal Storage Battery Project
NOP/IS SCH #2020040122

Mr. David Black, Planner
County of Imperial Planning and Development Services
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Dear Mr. Black:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the Notice of Preparation / Initial Study (NOP/IS) (SCH #2020040122) review process for the Westside Canal Storage Battery project located near Interstate 8 (I-8) and State Route 98 (SR-98). 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 Control Plan/Hauling

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has discretionary authority with respect to highways under its jurisdiction and may, upon application and if good cause appears, issue a special permit to operate or move a vehicle or combination of vehicles or special mobile equipment of a size or weight of vehicle or load exceeding the maximum limitations specified in the California Vehicle Code. The Caltrans Transportation Permits Issuance Branch is responsible for the issuance of these special transportation permits for oversize/overweight vehicles on the State Highway System. Additional information is provided online at:

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/trafficops/permits/index.html>

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A Traffic Control Plan is to be submitted to Caltrans District 11, including the interchange at I-8/ Westside Road, at least 30 days prior to the start of any construction. Traffic shall not be unreasonably delayed. The plan shall also outline suggested detours to use during closures, including routes and signage.

Potential impacts to the highway facilities (I-8 and SR-98) and traveling public from the detour, demolition and other construction activities should be discussed and addressed before work begins.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark McCumsey, of the Caltrans Development Review Branch, at (619) 688-6802 or by e-mail sent to mark.mccumsey@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

electronically signed by

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