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Chau L. Vu City of Bell Gardens, Public Works Department 8327 Garfield Avenue Bell Gardens, CA 90201

> RE: Bell Gardens Water Reservoir – Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) SCH # 2020049058 GTS # 07-LA-2020-03244 Vic. LA-5/PM: 10.326

Dear Chau L. Vu:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for this project's Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND). The City of Bell Gardens is intending to construct above-ground site improvements to its Well No. 1 Facility. The improvements would supplement the existing Well No. 1 that is located at the northeast corner of Perry Road and Florence Place. In addition, the City intends to construct new water wells and install a new water reservoir tank (tower). The new water tower would be located within one of three potential locations (Project sites) within the 1.82-acre Project area, referred to as Subarea A, Subarea B, and Subarea C as described in the MND

After reviewing the MND, Caltrans does not expect project approval to result in a direct adverse impact to the existing State transportation facilities.

As a reminder, any transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials which requires use of oversized-transport vehicles on State highways will need a Caltrans transportation permit. We recommend large size truck trips be limited to off-peak commute periods.

Also, storm water run-off is a sensitive issue for Los Angeles county. Please consider deigning the project to discharge clean run-off water. The completed project could incorporate green design elements that can capture storm water. Incorporating measures such as permeable pavement, landscaping, and trees to reduce urban water run-off could be considered.

If you have any questions, please contact Reece Allen, the project coordinator, at reece.allen@dot.ca.gov, and refer to GTS # 07-LA-2020-03244

Sincerely,

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cc: Scott Morgan, State Clearinghouse