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10-SJ-4-PM R017.393 Stockton Diamond Grade Separation SCH#2020080321

Kevin L. Sheridan San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission 949 E. Channel Street Stockton, CA 95202

Dear Mr. Sheridan:

The California Department of Transportation appreciates the opportunity to review the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the proposed Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project. SJRRC proposes to replace an at-grade crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad and Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway rail lines with a railroad grade separation. The Department has the following comments:

- Caltrans looks forward to working with the SJRRC cooperatively on this project.
 Caltrans supports the consideration of complete streets, enhanced lighting, and safety equipment to improve visibility and safety.
- Caltrans encourages the continuation of pedestrian and bike access along the corridor and surrounding area if normal pedestrian and bike paths are closed off during construction.
- An Encroachment Permit will be required for work (if any) done within the Department's right of way or any work requiring special oversized equipment.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss our comments in more detail, please contact Nicholas Fung at (209) 948-7190 or myself at (209) 941-1921.

Sincerely,

TOM DUMAS

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