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1-HUM-211-73.2/74.3 Ferndale Sewer Replacement SCH# 2021030505

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Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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STATE CLEARING HOUSE

Dear Ms. Blodgett:

Thank you for giving Caltrans the opportunity to review and comment on the Initial Study and Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed Citywide Sewer Replacement Project for the City of Ferndale. The City's aging sewer lines currently experience high levels of inflow and infiltration. In an effort to reduce stormwater inflow and infiltration throughout the City, numerous sections of pipeline will be replaced. Construction activities will take place on a phased basis as funding becomes available. We offer the following comments:

No drawings were provided to show the general location of the sewer mainline(s) along, or intersecting, State Route 211 (SR 211), other than a schematic map showing affected streets. Caltrans will need drawings of where the main sewer lines are expected to located within the SR 211 rights of way.

Traffic handling plan(s) will be needed for accommodating vehicle, bicycles, and pedestrians through or around the construction zone(s) within Caltrans right of way.

Any work within, Caltrans Right-of-Way will require an Encroachment Permit (EP) from Caltrans. EP applications are reviewed for consistency with State standards and are subject to Department approval. To streamline the EP application and review process, we require the applicant to consult with our EP staff prior to submitting an application. Requests for EP applications can be sent to: Caltrans District 1 Permits Office, P.O. Box 3700, Eureka, CA 95502-3700, or requested by phone at (707) 498-5684. For additional information, the Caltrans Encroachment Permit Manual and Standard Application is available online at:

https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep>.

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Please contact me with questions or for further assistance with this letter by phone at (707) 684-6879 or by email at: <jesse.robertson@dot.ca.gov>.

Sincerely,

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e-copy: Heidi Quintrell, Chief, Caltrans District 1 Encroachment Permits Office