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**STATE CLEARING HOUSE** 

Riverside County Planning Department 4080 Lemon Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor P.O. Box 1409 Riverside, CA 92502-1409

RE: SCH# 2021080570

The Temecula Area of the California Highway Patrol received the "Notice of Preparation" of the Environmental Impact Report for the proposed Keller Crossing project for State Clearinghouse (SCH) number 2021080570. After review, we have concerns with the potential impact this project could have on traffic congestion, pedestrian and bicyclist safety, and school bus routing.

Our concerns relate to the proposed construction of more than 320 dwelling units and development of 37.8 acres of Commercial Retail. The proposed project is located in close proximity to State Route 79 (Winchester Road) which is a major arterial route that connects French Valley community with Interstate 215 in Riverside County. The purpose of this construction project is to build a residential tract along with commercial retail buildings. Currently, the proposed construction area is rural and undeveloped. This project could have a negative impact on our operations due to an increase in traffic, which could necessitate the need for additional traffic control measures to mitigate the potential increase in traffic collisions and calls for service within our jurisdiction.

If you have any questions regarding these concerns, please contact Sergeant B. Arendt at (951) 506-2000.

Sincerely,

J. J. Penner, Captain

Commander Temecula Area

Attachments: Checklist



## ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT EVALUATION/RESPONSE CHECKLIST FOR AREA/SECTION

Reference: General Order 41.2

	Action	Reference GO 41.2
$\boxtimes$	Review memorandum for the due date(s).	
	Determine if the proposed project might impact local operations and/or public safety. Examples include: housing developments, large commercial projects, large recreational developments or expansions, landfill or quarry operations, hazardous materials storage and/or dump sites, highway construction/improvement projects, new schools, airport improvements, annexations/incorporations, off-highway vehicle facilities, and Indian gaming facilities.	Page 5
$\boxtimes$	Review environmental impact documents to identify issues or concerns with possible impact to departmental operations (i.e., increased response times, enforcement, emergency services, service calls, telecommunications, public safety).	
	Responses	
$\boxtimes$	If comments are advisable:	
$\boxtimes$	Correspondence should focus primarily on traffic safety, congestion, or other impacts to the CHP's mission; however, Areas shall not indicate to the lead agency that additional personnel, facilities, vehicles, etc., are a means to mitigate departmental service issues.	Page 7
$\boxtimes$	Ensure the State Clearinghouse number (SCH#) is included in all correspondence.	
$\boxtimes$	Comments shall be provided directly to the lead agency and emailed to State Clearinghouse at <a href="mailto:state.clearinghouse@opr.ca.gov">state.clearinghouse@opr.ca.gov</a> no later than the designated due date. Provide a copy to Special Projects Section (SPS) via e-mail.	
	For project tracking purposes, SPS must be notified of Area/Section's assessment of the project. After mailing your comments to the SCH or lead agency, send a scanned copy via e-mail to SPS.	
	If no impact is determined:	
	Via e-mail, please respond "no impact to Area's local operations and/or public safety by SCH# was identified," by the designated SCH due date to the SPS analyst listed on the Environmental Document Review and Response memorandum. Ensure the SCH# is included.	