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## **STATE CLEARING HOUSE**

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> RE: TR82498 Tetley Ave Residential SCH # 2021080583 Vic. LA-60/PM 15.95 GTS # LA-2021-03695-MND

Dear Ms. Pavlovic:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced recirculated MND. The project is to create a 33-unit residential townhome development spread among 11 buildings on one multi-family lot, 2.16 acres in size.

The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment. Senate Bill 743 (2013) has codified into CEQA law and mandated that CEQA review of transportation impacts of proposed development be modified by using Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) as the primary metric in identifying transportation impacts for all future development projects. You may reference the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) for more information:

http://opr.ca.gov/ceqa/updates/guidelines/

As a reminder, VMT is the standard transportation analysis metric in CEQA for land use projects after July 1, 2020, which is the statewide implementation date.

Caltrans has published the VMT-focused Transportation Impact Study Guide (TISG), dated May 20, 2020 and the Caltrans Interim Land Development and Intergovernmental Review (LD-IGR) Safety Review Practitioners Guidance, prepared on December 18, 2020. You can review these resources at the following links:

https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/transportation-planning/documents/sb-743/2020-05-20-approved-vmt-focused-tisg-a11y.pdf. Ms. Marie Pavlovic September 24, 2021 Page 2 of 2

> https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/transportation-planning/documents/sb-743/2020-12-22-updated-interim-ldigr-safety-review-guidance-a11y.pdf.

Caltrans encourages lead agencies to prepare traffic safety impact analysis at the State facilities for this development in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review process so that, through partnerships and collaboration, California can reach zero fatalities and serious injuries by 2050.

In July 2020, Los Angeles County adopted Transportation Impact Analysis Guideline (TIA Guidelines). Project are exempt from a trip generation study and VMT analysis for the following conditions:

- 1) Non-retail projects that generate less than 110 net daily vehicle trips.
- 2) Retail projects that are less than 50,000 square feet of gross floor area.
- 3) Residential land use that set aside 100% of the units for low-income households.
- 4) Etc.

The existing land uses generate a total of 199 average daily trips (ADT). The proposed Project would generate a total of 242 ADT. The net ADT for the Project is 43. Therefore, the Project meets a non-retail project exemption in which the project generating less than 110 net ADT a day is exempt from further VMT analysis.

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.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Alan Lin, the project coordinator, at (213) 269-1124 and refer to GTS # LA-2021-03695AL-MND.

Sincerely,

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