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> RE: Glenelder Residential - Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) SCH # 2022030146 GTS # 07-LA-2022-03880 Vic. LA-60/PM 16.615

Dear Lynda Hikichi:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced Mitigated Negative Declaration. The project proposes to create one multi-family lot for a condominium development comprised of 85 detached residential units on 10 net acres. On-site amenities include an outdoor seating and barbeque areas of approximately 16,360 square feet. The 10-acre project site is located at 16234 Folger Street in the unincorporated community of Hacienda Heights. The new residential development will have access via Folger Street, Glenelder Avenue, and Hinnen Avenue. The project site is currently vacant but has seven school buildings and several portable classrooms and parking areas previously used for the Glenelder Elementary school. The floor areas for the existing buildings total 32,614 square feet. The existing seven buildings, portable classrooms, and parking areas are proposed to be removed/demolished. Grading of approximately 165,000 cubic yards (82,500 cy cut and 82,500 cy fill) is proposed. The County of Los Angeles is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The project site is approximately 0.9 mile north of State Route 60 (SR-60). After reviewing the MND, the project was determined to have less-than-significant impact on transportation due to the mitigation by the seven (7) Project Design Features and a Bicycle Master Plan incorporated. Therefore, Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) reduction has satisfied the VMT impact criteria set forth by the County of Los Angeles and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines. We do not anticipate any potential safety impact from the proposed project to our State facility (SR-60).

However, we would like to be informed of any additional impacts to our facilities should it occur during construction phase. Additionally, 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. Caltrans recommends that the Project limit construction traffic to off-peak periods to minimize the potential impact on State facilities. If construction

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traffic is expected to cause issues on any State facilities, including SR-60, please submit a construction traffic control plan detailing these issues for Caltrans' review.

Finally, any work completed on or near Caltrans' right of way may require an encroachment permit. However, the final determination on this will be made by Caltrans' Office of Permits. This work would require additional review and may be subject to additional requirements to ensure current design standards and access management elements are being addressed. For more information on encroachment permits, see: https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep.

If you have any questions regarding these comments, please contact Ronnie Escobar, the project coordinator, at Ronnie.Escobar@dot.ca.gov, and refer to GTS # 07-LA-2022-03880.

Sincerely,

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