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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

RE: Rocky Oaks Guest Ranch Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) SCH # 2022030492 Vic. Multiple GTS # 07-LA-2022-03895

Dear Tyler Montgomery:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced MND. The applicant proposes the conversion of an existing 4,042-square-foot single-family residence into a guest ranch. The conversion would consist of adding approximately 420 square feet—an ADA-accessible restroom—to the existing residence. Three parking areas of permeable pavement—5,634 square feet, 10,924 square feet, and 9,280 square feet, respectively—would be placed at three previously graded locations along the existing 1,900-foot-long driveway. These parking areas would hold a total of 67 off-street parking spaces. The Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The nearest State facility to the proposed project is State Route 23 and the U.S. 101. After further review of the MND, Caltrans has the following comments:

- Caltrans concurs based on the Initial Study on page 28 the Department of the Public Works required a condition of approval that the project provide a southbound left-turn lane for Kanan Road.
- It is also noted with the implementation of a southbound left-turn lane for Kanan Road conditions will remain consistent.
- Since the project will not alter current conditions of the roadways and intersections,
 VMT would not exceed the criteria established by authority agency. Caltrans concurs transportation impacts would be less than significant.

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The following information is included for your consideration.

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.

You can also refer to the 2010 *Quantifying Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Measures* report by the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA), which is available online at:

http://www.capcoa.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/11/CAPCOA-Quantification-Report-9-14-Final.pdf

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 Karen Herrera, the project coordinator, at Karen.Herrera@dot.ca.gov and refer to GTS # 07-LA-2022-03895.

Sincerely,

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cc: State Clearinghouse