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**Dixon General Plan Update- Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)**

Dear George Osner:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the Dixon General Plan Update. We are committed to ensuring that impacts to the State's multimodal transportation system and to our natural environment are identified and mitigated to support a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system. The following comments are based on our review of the July 2020 Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR).

**Project Understanding**

The proposed plan is intended to replace and respond to changes and emerging trends since the preparation of the currently adopted General Plan (1993). The proposed plan establishes long-range planning framework and policies and address/ plan for the city growth projected in the following decades. The General Plan update was initiated to comprehensively examine the existing conditions in the city and to create a future vision for the City. While the Proposed Plan does not specify or anticipate when buildout of the city will occur, a horizon of year 2040 is assumed for planning purposes. The City of Dixon is located on the east side of Interstate (I)-80; as well State Route (SR)-113 bisects the City north and south.

**Transportation Demand Management**

Please provide a complete Transportation Impact Study to support the discussion of ten intersections studied, mentioned in Transportation Impacts 3.13-1.

In section 3.13-22, Mitigation Measures proposes signalization of intersections along SR-113/ First Street. Modifications to any intersections along SR-113 should be coordinated with Caltrans at an early stage to fulfill the requirements of the Intersection Control Evaluation (ICE) policy requirements.

**Multimodal Planning**

The project's primary and secondary effects on pedestrians, bicyclists, travelers with disabilities, and transit users should be evaluated, including countermeasures and trade-offs resulting from mitigating VMT increases. Access for pedestrians and bicyclists to transit facilities must be maintained. Our previous comments stand regarding reducing Level of Traffic Stress (LTS) to further bicycle and pedestrian planning projects.

Thank you again for including Caltrans in the environmental review process. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Laurel Sears, [laurel.sears@dot.ca.gov](mailto:laurel.sears@dot.ca.gov). Additionally, for future notifications and requests for review of new projects, please contact [LDIGR-D4@dot.ca.gov](mailto:LDIGR-D4@dot.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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