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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

Re: 2019012048, Sacramento 2040 General Plan and Climate Action & Adaptation Plan

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The California Department of Transportation, Aeronautics Program has reviewed the Draft Environmental Review for the Sacramento 2040 General Plan and Climate Action & Adaptation Plan. One of the goals of the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), Aeronautics Program, is to assist cities, counties, and Airport Land Use Commissions or their equivalent (ALUC), to understand and comply with the State Aeronautics Act pursuant to the California Public Utilities Code (PUC), Section 21001 et seq. Caltrans encourages collaboration with our partners in the planning process and thanks you for including the Aeronautics Program in the review of the Draft EIR.

The Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) serves as the Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) for Sacramento County, in this capacity it has adopted airport land use compatibility plans (ALUCP) for four airports that are located within or bordering the City of Sacramento: Mather Field, Executive Airport, Sacramento International Airport, and McClellan Field. An ALUCP is crucial in minimizing noise nuisance and safety hazards around airports while promoting the orderly development of airports, as declared by the California Legislature. A responsibility of the ALUC is to assess potential risk to aircraft and persons in airspace and people occupying areas within the vicinity of the airport.

Per the California Public Utilities Code Section 21001 et seq. relating to the State Aeronautics Act, Section 21676(b) prior to the amendment of a general plan...within the planning boundary established by the airport land use commission pursuant to Section 21675, the local agency shall first refer the proposed action to the commission. If the commission determines that the proposed action is inconsistent with the commission's plan, the referring agency shall be notified. Any proposed development

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in the defined safety zones, therefore, must adhere to the safety criteria and restrictions defined in the Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan(s) formed by the ALUC pursuant to the PUC, Section 21674.

The 2040 General Plan Update and Climate Action Plan should aim to meet the compatibility standards set forth in the ALUCPs for each respective airport. This is in respect to safety, noise, overflight, and obstruction standards. Future projects that come forward from the plans and are within an airport land use plan of the respective airports in Sacramento County are subject to a consistency review by the ALUC.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at my email address: tiffany.martinez@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tiffany Martinez".

Tiffany Martinez
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Cc: State Clearinghouse