



Department of Public Works

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Kevin Blakeslee, P.E.
Director

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City of Ontario
Planning Department
Attn: Richard Ayala, Senior Planner
303 East "B" Street
Ontario, CA. 91764

File: 10(ENV)-4.01

RE: CEQA – NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE MERRILL COMMERCE CENTER SPECIFIC PLAN PROJECT FOR THE CITY OF ONTARIO

Dear Mr. Ayala:

Thank you for allowing the San Bernardino County Department of Public Works the opportunity to comment on the above-referenced project. **We received this request on April 12, 2019** and pursuant to our review, the following comments are provided:

Flood Control Planning Division (Michael Fam, PWE III, 909-387-8120):

1. The proposed Project is proposing to affect a San Bernardino County Flood Control District (District) facility, Cucamonga Creek, C/E (1-301-IH). Any encroachments on the District's right-of-way or facilities including but not limited to utility crossings, side drain connections and street/bridge improvements will require a permit from the District prior to start of construction. In addition, District facilities built by the Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) will require the District to obtain approval (408-Permit) from the ACOE. If a permit is required, its necessity and any impacts associated with the construction should be addressed in the DEIR.
2. The proposed Project is also proposing to make improvements an existing 10' X 6' RCB and open channel owned and operated by the San Bernardino County Department of Airports, located south of the intersection of Merrill and Grove Avenues. Any encroachments on the Airports right-of-way or facilities will require approval prior to start of construction. If a permit is required, its necessity and any impacts associated with the construction should be addressed in the DEIR. For more information, please contact the San Bernardino County Department of Airports located at 777 E. Rialto Avenue, San Bernardino, CA 92415. Attention: James E. Jenkins, Director (909) 387-8812.

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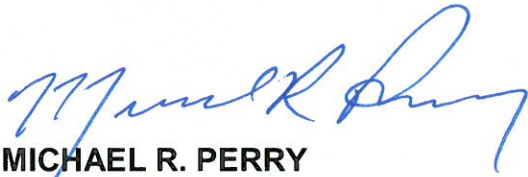
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We respectfully request to be included on the circulation list for all project notices, public reviews, or public hearings. In closing, I would like to thank you again for allowing the San Bernardino County Department of Public Works the opportunity to comment on the above-referenced project. Should you have any questions or need additional clarification, please contact the individuals who provided the specific comment, as listed above.

Sincerely,



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