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**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE**

State Clearing House  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SCH# 2019070123/EIR Evaluating the Proposed Regulation and Permitting of Commercial Cannabis Activities.

I was recently requested to review environmental documents related to the proposed regulation and permitting of commercial cannabis activities within the City of Fresno, California. The California Highway Patrol's (CHP) interest in commenting surrounds our concern for the safe and legal operation of motor vehicles within the State of California with increased access to cannabis. As the use of cannabis becomes more accessible, we fear that this will lead to an increase in driving while impaired by cannabis. The CHP's primary mission is to protect life and property and we will do all we can to educate the public on the dangers of driving while impaired.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "B. R. Hawkins".

B. R. HAWKINS, Captain  
Commander  
Fresno Area

