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San Marcos Blvd/Bent Ave Commercial (Jump Ball LLC)

SCH#2019089015

Mr. Norm Pedersen
Associate Planner
City of San Marcos
1 Civic Center Drive
San Marcos, CA 92069

Dear Mr. Pedersen:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the San Marcos Boulevard/Bent Avenue Commercial (Jump Ball LLC) located near State Route 78 (SR-78). The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability. The Local Development-Intergovernmental Review (LD-IGR) Program reviews land use projects and plans to ensure consistency with our mission and state planning priorities.

Caltrans has the following comments:

Traffic Impact Study

Caltrans agrees with the project trip generation and distribution as stated in the submitted documents. However, the State does not agree with the existing ramp volumes (Year 2018) used. Caltrans' published volumes are significantly higher than the ones shown. Even though adding the correct existing volumes will maintain the Mitigated Negative Declaration valid for this development, the report does not have the correct information.

Mitigation

Caltrans endeavors that any direct and cumulative impacts to the State Highway System be eliminated or reduced to a level of insignificance pursuant

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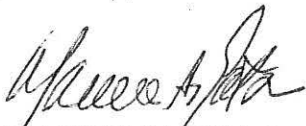
to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) standards.

Right-of-Way

Any work performed within Caltrans' Right-of-Way (R/W) will require discretionary review and approval by Caltrans and an encroachment permit will be required for any work within the Caltrans' R/W prior to construction. As part of the encroachment permit process, the applicant must provide an approved final environmental document including the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determination addressing any environmental impacts within the Caltrans' R/W, and any corresponding technical studies.

If you have any questions, please contact Kimberly Dodson, of the Caltrans Development Review Branch, at (619) 688-2510 or by e-mail sent to kimberly.dodson@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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