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**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE**

Mr. Christopher Cannon  
Director  
City of Los Angeles Harbor Department  
Environmental Management Division  
425 Palos Verdes Street  
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RE: Star-Kist Cannery Facility Project  
SCH # 2019129042  
Vic. LA-47/PM 2.206  
GTS # LA-2019-03756-RMND

Dear Mr. Cannon:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced recirculated MND. The project includes involves construction of a three-story, multi-family, residential development consisting of 149-units reserved for low-income residents and two market rate Manager's units. This document is a Recirculated Draft IS/MND because mitigation measures are required to reduce potential impacts to below significance thresholds.

The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment. Senate Bill 743 (2013) has codified into CEQA law and mandated that CEQA review of transportation impacts of proposed development be modified by using Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) as the primary metric in identifying transportation impacts for all future development projects. You may reference the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) for more information:

<http://opr.ca.gov/ceqa/updates/guidelines/>

As a reminder, VMT is the standard transportation analysis metric in CEQA for land use projects after July 1, 2020, which is the statewide implementation date.

Caltrans has published the VMT-focused Transportation Impact Study Guide (TISG), dated May 20, 2020 and the Caltrans Interim Land Development and Intergovernmental Review (LD-IGR) Safety Review Practitioners Guidance, prepared on December 18, 2020. You can review these resources at the following links:

<https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/transportation-planning/documents/sb-743/2020-05-20-approved-vmt-focused-tisq-a11y.pdf>.

<https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/transportation-planning/documents/sb-743/2020-12-22-updated-interim-ldigr-safety-review-guidance-a11y.pdf>.

When a potential safety impact is identified, Caltrans encourages lead agencies to prepare traffic safety impact analysis at the State facilities for all projects in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review process so that, through partnerships and collaboration, California can reach zero fatalities and serious injuries by 2050.

The nearest State facilities to the proposed project are State Route 47 (SR-47), about 1 mile away, and Interstate 710 (I-710), about 2.5 miles away. The proposed Project is anticipated to require 20 employees on site and two light-duty truck fuel deliveries per day, which would result in a total of 44 one-way trips per day. Therefore, the proposed Project would generate fewer than 250 trips per day. After reviewing the Recirculated Negative Declaration (RMND), Caltrans does not expect project approval to result in a direct adverse impact to the existing State transportation facilities.

Again, as a reminder, any transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials which requires use of oversized-transport vehicles on State highways will need a Caltrans transportation permit. We recommend large size truck trips be limited to off-peak commute periods.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Alan Lin, the project coordinator, at (213) 269-1124 and refer to GTS # LA-2019-03756AL-RMND.

Sincerely,



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