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**Manteca General Plan NOP  
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Mr. Hightower  
City of Manteca  
1001 West Center Street  
Manteca, CA 95337

Dear Mr. Hightower,

The California Department of Transportation (Department) appreciates the opportunity to review and comment on the Manteca (City) General Plan NOP. The Department encourages the City to consider the following comments during the General Plan process:

- Growth and development can have a significant impact on traffic and congestion on State transportation facilities. In particular, the pattern of land use can affect both total vehicle miles traveled and the number of trips per household. In order to create more efficient and livable communities, the Department encourages the City of Manteca to work towards a safe, functional, interconnected, multi-modal system integrated with “smart growth” type land use planning.
- In lieu of reliance on the automobile for every trip, the Department supports the concept of a local circulation system which is pedestrian-, bicycle-, and transit-friendly in order to enable residents to choose alternative modes of transportation. Also, a mixture of land uses creates opportunities to substitute walking for driving. Improved transit accommodation through the provision of park and ride facilities, signal prioritization, or other enhancements can also improve mobility.

If you have any questions, please contact Joshua Swearingen at (209) 948-7142 (email: [Joshua.swearingen@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Joshua.swearingen@dot.ca.gov)) or me at (209) 941-1921. We look forward to continuing to work with you in a cooperative manner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tom Dumas'.

TOM DUMAS, Chief  
Office of Metropolitan Planning