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Alyx Karpowicz
San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control
Board
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Shell Alameda Distribution Center Remediation Project- Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)

Dear Alyx Karpowicz:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the Cargill Solar Salt System Maintenance Project. We are committed to ensuring that impacts to the State's multimodal transportation system and to our natural environment are identified and mitigated to support a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system. The following comments are based on our review of the September 2020 draft MND.

Project Understanding

The proposed project intends to support a Remedial Action plan to remove contamination sources at the project site. Remediation activities would include mobilization and staging of construction equipment; demolition and removal of existing on-site pavement, buildings, and other infrastructure; excavation, dewatering, import of clean backfill, compaction and re-grading; and demobilization. Construction activities would consist of the operation of heavy equipment; vehicle parking, and construction equipment and material storage; and heavy haul truck traffic along Grand Street, Clement Avenue, and State Route (SR)-61.

Project-Related Impacts

Potential impacts to the State Right-of-Way (ROW) from project-related temporary access points should be analyzed. Mitigation for significant impacts due to construction and noise should be identified in the environmental documents. Project work that requires movement of oversized or excessive load vehicles on state roadways requires a transportation permit that is issued by Caltrans. To apply, visit: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/transportation-permits>.

Thank you again for including Caltrans in the environmental review process. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Laurel Sears at laurel.sears@dot.ca.gov. Additionally, for future notifications and requests for review of new projects, please contact LDIGR-D4@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Leong". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Mark Leong
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cc: State Clearinghouse