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Christina Love, Senior Planner
City of Vacaville
Community Development Department,
650 Merchant Street,
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City of Vacaville General Plan Transportation Element Notice of Preparation (NOP)

Dear Christina Love:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the City of Vacaville General Plan Transportation Element Update. 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.

This General Plan Update proposes to include modifications to the General Plan goals, policies, and objectives to incorporate Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) as the primary transportation metric, while also describing the extent to which other transportation metrics (e.g., level of service) may still be applicable. The General Plan update will also include an evaluation of project-specific VMT throughout the City under a buildout condition.

Caltrans supports this project's stated objectives, including the promotion of VMT as the Citywide metric to understand the impacts of development on the transportation network. These objectives and the City's Energy and Conservation Action Strategy assist the State in meeting the Statewide goals for lowering GHG emissions by lowering VMT.

"Provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability"

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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
District Branch Chief
Local Development - Intergovernmental Review

c: State Clearinghouse