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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

RE: Malibu Inn Motel
Vic. LA-1 PM 46.14
SCH # 2021020396
GTS # LA-2021-03506AL-MND

Dear Ms. Fernandez:

This letter supersedes our letter dated March 17, 2021 as OPR website provided incorrect project document. Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced project. The proposed Project is to construct a new 7,693 square foot motel above a new subterranean parking garage, surface parking lot, grading, retaining walls, landscaping and a new onsite wastewater treatment system.

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 been codified into CEQA law. It mandates that CEQA review of transportation impacts of proposed developments be modified by using Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) as the primary metric in identifying transportation impacts. As a reminder, Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) is the standard transportation analysis metric in CEQA for land use projects after the July 1, 2020 statewide implementation date. You may reference The Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) website for more information.

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

This development should incorporate multi-modal and complete streets transportation elements that will actively promote alternatives to car use and better manage existing parking assets. Prioritizing and allocating space to efficient modes of travel such as bicycling and public transit can allow streets to transport more people in a fixed amount of right-of-way.

Caltrans supports the implementation of complete streets and pedestrian safety measures such as road diets and other traffic calming measures. Please note the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) recognizes the road diet treatment as a proven safety countermeasure, and the cost of a road diet can be significantly reduced if implemented in tandem with routine street resurfacing.

Also, Caltrans has published the VMT-focused Transportation Impact Study Guide (TISG), dated May 20, 2020 and Caltrans Interim Land Development and Intergovernmental Review (LD-IGR) Safety Review Practitioners Guidance, prepared dated December 18, 2020.

<https://dot.ca.gov/programs/transportation-planning/office-of-smart-mobility-climate-change/sb-743>

Overall, the environmental report should include a Transportation Impact Study (TIS) to ensure all modes are well served by planning and development activities. This includes reducing single occupancy vehicle trips, ensuring safety, reducing vehicle miles traveled, supporting accessibility, and reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

The study has evaluated a few alternatives regarding on-site circulation associated with internal access to the adjacent site from the Pacific Coast Highway. Alternative 3 is recommended by Caltrans since it will always maintain the internal access with no access restriction between two adjacent sites. The new access or driveway to the proposed site will be restricted to right turn only movements (egress). "Right Turn Only" signs (R3- 5R) and pavement arrow markings will be installed to prohibit left-turn egress at project driveway as well as the restaurant driveway adjacent to the property line. Please be reminded that any work performed within the State Right-of-way will require an Encroachment Permit including a construction management plan from Caltrans when the driveway construction is at State Right-of-way. Any modifications to State facilities must meet all mandatory design standard and specifications.

Storm water run-off is a sensitive issue for Los Angeles and Ventura counties. Please be mindful that projects should be designed to discharge clean run-off water. Additionally, discharge of storm water run-off is not permitted onto State highway facilities (SR 1) without a storm water management plan.

For this project, transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials, which requires the use of oversized-transport vehicles on State highways, will require a transportation permit from Caltrans. It is recommended that large size truck trips be limited to off-peak commute periods and idle time not to exceed 10 minutes.

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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-2021-03506AL-MND.

Sincerely,

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