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11-SD-67  
PM .518Broadway Creek Restoration Project  
MND/SCH# 2021030103

Ms. Melissa Devine  
Planning Manager  
City of El Cajon  
Community Development Department  
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El Cajon, CA 92020

Dear Ms. Devine:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review of the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND), State Clearinghouse (SCH) # 2021030103 for the Broadway Creek Restoration project located at near State Route 67 (SR-67) in the city of El Cajon. The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated, and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability. The Local Development-Intergovernmental Review (LD-IGR) Program reviews land use projects and plans to ensure consistency with Caltrans' mission and state planning priorities.

Caltrans has the following comments:

**Environmental**

Caltrans welcomes the opportunity to be a Responsible Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as we have some discretionary authority of a portion of the project that is in Caltrans' Right-of-Way (R/W) through the form of an encroachment permit process. We look forward to the coordination of our efforts to ensure that Caltrans can adopt the alternative and/or mitigation measure for our R/W. We would appreciate meeting with you to discuss the elements of the MND that Caltrans will use for our subsequent environmental compliance.

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An encroachment permit will be required for any work within the Caltrans' R/W prior to construction. As part of the encroachment permit process, the applicant must provide approved final environmental documents for this project, corresponding technical studies, and necessary regulatory and resource agency permits. Specifically, any CEQA determinations or exemptions. The supporting documents must address all environmental impacts within the Caltrans' R/W and address any impacts from avoidance and/or mitigation measures.

Caltrans recommend that this project specifically identifies and assesses potential impacts caused by the project or impacts from mitigation efforts that occur within Caltrans R/W that includes impacts to the natural environment, infrastructure (highways, roadways, on-ramps and off-ramps) and appurtenant features (including but not limited to lighting, signage, drainage, guardrail, and slopes). Caltrans is interested in any additional mitigation measures identified for the MND.

### **Hydraulics**

1. Are there any impacts to Caltrans facilities (SR-67 bridge over Broadway channel) related to headwater?
2. Is the post construction Water Surface Elevation changing from the existing Water Surface Elevation within Caltrans R/W?
3. Are floodway/floodplain studies going to be performed?
4. Will a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR)/Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) be needed for this project?
5. Show Caltrans R/W on exhibits, as applicable.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark McCumsey at (619) 985-4957 or by email at [mark.mccumsey@dot.ca.gov](mailto:mark.mccumsey@dot.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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