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PM VAR
Sewer Improvement Project
NOP/SCH#2021030277

Ms. Mabel Uyeda
City of Oceanside
300 North Coast Highway
Oceanside, CA 92054

Dear Ms. Uyeda:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the Notice of Preparation for the Sewer Improvement Project located near Interstate 5 (I-5) and State Route 76 (SR-76). The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation network 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 our mission and state planning priorities.

Caltrans has the following comments:

Hydrology and Drainage Studies

- Please provide hydraulics studies, drainage, and grading plans to Caltrans for review.
- Provide a pre- and post-development hydraulics and hydrology study. Show drainage configurations and patterns.
- Provide drainage plans and details. Include detention basin details of inlets/outlet.
- Provide a contour grading plan with legible callouts and minimal building data. Show drainage patterns.
- On all plans, show Caltrans' Right-of-Way (R/W).
- The Sewer Improvement Project (City of Oceanside) crosses SR-76 at PM M2.92 and I-5 at PM R52.316. At the crossing with SR-76, the Land Outfall Replacement project proposes to upsize existing 24-inch pipe to 36-inch.

- The SR-76 bridge spans over the existing sewer pipe (buried in ground below) within Caltrans' R/W, so there will may not direct impact on any of Caltrans' existing drainage systems, however, Caltrans' Structures Maintenance and Investigation will need to review if any structure on, around or under the bridge may be impacted.
- Considering that the sewer line replacement is in a floodplain when it crosses Caltrans' R/W, please clarify if grading in the floodplain will change it with the proposed project.
- Identify any impacts to the floodplain within the proposed project.
- Early coordination with Caltrans is recommended.

Traffic Control Plan/Hauling

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has discretionary authority with respect to highways under its jurisdiction and may, upon application and if good cause appears, issue a special permit to operate or move a vehicle or combination of vehicles or special mobile equipment of a size or weight of vehicle or load exceeding the maximum limitations specified in the California Vehicle Code. The Caltrans Transportation Permits Issuance Branch is responsible for the issuance of these special transportation permits for oversize/overweight vehicles on the State Highway network. Additional information is provided online at:

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/trafficops/permits/index.html>

A Traffic Control Plan is to be submitted to Caltrans District 11, including the interchanges at SR-76/El Camino Real, at least 30 days prior to the start of any construction. Traffic shall not be unreasonably delayed. The plan shall also outline suggested detours to use during closures, including routes and signage.

Potential impacts to the highway facilities (SR-76) and traveling public from the detour, demolition and other construction activities should be discussed and addressed before work begins.

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' R/W through the form of an encroachment permit process. Please indicate our status as a Responsible Agency for the Final EIR. 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 EIR that Caltrans will use for our subsequent environmental compliance.

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, CEQA determination or exemption. The supporting documents must address all environmental impacts within the Caltrans' R/W and address any impacts from avoidance and/or mitigation measures.

We 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 (including but not limited to 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/DEIR.

Right-of-Way

- Per Business and Profession Code 8771, perpetuation of survey monuments by a licensed land surveyor is required, if they are being destroyed by any construction.
- Any work performed within Caltrans R/W will require discretionary review and approval by Caltrans and an encroachment permit will be required for any work within the Caltrans R/W prior to construction.
- Attention is directed to the latest edition (with revisions) of the Caltrans' Project Development Procedures Manual, "Chapter 17- Encroachments and Utilities" for any utility work that is requested within Caltrans' R/W.

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Additional information regarding encroachment permits may be obtained by contacting the Caltrans Permits Office at (619) 688-6158 or by visiting the website at <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep>. Early coordination with Caltrans is strongly advised for all encroachment permits.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kimberly Dodson, IGR Coordinator, at (619) 985-1587 or by e-mail sent to Kimberly.Dodson@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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