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Roscoe Mata, Planning Manager
City of Millbrae
Community Development Department
621 Magnolia Avenue
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Re: City of Millbrae Active Transportation Plan Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)

Dear Roscoe Mata:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the Millbrae Active Transportation Plan 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 August 2021 Draft IS/MND.

Project Understanding

The proposed plan is intended to increase walking and biking in the city of Millbrae. The Plan's multiple elements address the City's existing bicycle and pedestrian conditions, the City's needs, goals and policies to support a robust and comfortable active transportation network, additional recommendations at key locations, and implementation strategies for the proposed Plan.

Active Transportation Plan Comments

Please identify and clarify that El Camino Real is State Route (SR)- 82, a State highway under Caltrans jurisdiction. It is addressed in multiple sections, but naming it as such throughout the Plan will clarify the jurisdictional nature of this highway.

"Regulatory Framework and Related Plans", page 7: please include reference to the [Caltrans District 4 Bike Plan \(2018\)](#), [Caltrans District 4 Pedestrian Plan \(2021\)](#), and the updated [C/CAG Countywide Comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan \(2021\)](#) in the list of related plans.

"El Camino Real Corridor", page 38: Caltrans appreciates the value of early coordination with partner agencies when working with roadways like SR-82, that serve many functions within communities. Please acknowledge in the concept description that coordination with Caltrans and approval through the Caltrans oversight process would be needed along the SR-82 corridor.

Caltrans acknowledges and supports the plan's objectives related to accessibility, connectivity, increasing transit mode share as well as pedestrian and bicycle mode share. These objectives align with Caltrans' [Strategic Plan](#) goals and objectives.

Lead Agency

As the Lead Agency, the City of Millbrae is responsible for all project mitigation, including any needed improvements to the State Transportation Network (STN). The project's fair share contribution, financing, scheduling, implementation responsibilities and lead agency monitoring should be fully discussed for all proposed mitigation measures.

Equitable Access

If any Caltrans facilities are impacted by the project, those facilities must meet American Disabilities Act (ADA) Standards after project completion. As well, the project must maintain bicycle and pedestrian access during construction. These access considerations support Caltrans' equity mission to provide a safe, sustainable, and equitable transportation network for all users.

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 email LDIGR-D4@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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c: State Clearinghouse