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Re: Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Open Space Maintenance and Restoration Program Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)

Dear Aaron Hebert:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for this 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 MND.

Project Understanding

The Open Space Maintenance and Restoration Program Manual provides a detailed and consistent approach for the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District to conducting program activities including routine maintenance, small-scale facility improvements, new facility construction, and restoration and enhancement projects.

Construction-Related Impacts

Potential impacts to the State Right-of-Way (ROW) from project-related temporary access points should be analyzed. Mitigation for significant impacts due to construction and noise should be identified. Project work that requires movement of oversized or excessive load vehicles on State roadways requires a transportation permit that is issued by Caltrans. To apply, visit: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/transportation-permits>. Prior to construction, coordination may be required with Caltrans to develop a Transportation Management Plan (TMP) to reduce construction traffic impacts to the State Transportation Network.

"Provide a safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment"

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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 Llisel Ayon at Llisel.Ayon@dot.ca.gov. Additionally, for future notifications and requests for review of new projects, please email 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 tail stroke.

MARK LEONG
District Branch Chief
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c: State Clearinghouse