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**MPA-140-PM 10.279**  
**Sierra Foothill Charter School**  
**Water Well Replacement**  
**Initial Study SCH 2021120556**

Ms. Mayfield,

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) appreciates the opportunity to review and comment on the Initial Study for the Sierra Foothill Charter School Water Well Replacement Project located in Catheys Valley on Assessor Parcel Number 016-280-005-000. The water system currently operates with one active well and solely serves the school property and is located at the southeast portion of the school site. The existing well contains a concrete slab and supporting infrastructure of three water tanks and a pump house.

The project proposes a well to be drilled to an estimated 700 feet below ground surface (bgs) or less depending on the geology. Associated chlorination treatment and hydropneumatics pressure systems and other appurtenances necessary for the production and treatment of domestic water will be installed. The project will also add two new 2,500-gallon water storage tanks, a pump house to house the booster pumps, and six (6) inch diameter pipeline connection of approximately 100 feet to the existing distribution system. Pipeline excavation will be limited to 3.5 feet deep or less.

### **Caltrans has the following comments:**

#### **Environmental**

If any project construction activities encroach into Caltrans Right of Way (ROW), the project proponent must submit an application for an Encroachment Permit to the Caltrans District 10 Encroachment Permit Office. Appropriate environmental studies must be submitted with this application. For more information please visit the Caltrans Website at: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep/applications>

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If you have any questions or would like to discuss these comments, please contact Lloyd Clark at (209) 986-9802 (email: [Lloyd.clark@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Lloyd.clark@dot.ca.gov)) or me at (209) 483-7234 (email: [Gregoria.Ponce@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Gregoria.Ponce@dot.ca.gov)).

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