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RE: Draft Remedial Action Plan,
Gardena Sumps
SCH # 2022020305
Vic. LA-91/PM 6.01
GTS # LA-2022-03862-ND

Dear Nicholas Ta:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced ND. The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is considering approving a Remedial Action Plan (RAP) for the Gardena Sumps (Site). The proposed RAP proposes excavating the Haack Rework Area and a portion of sludge overflow along the eastern perimeter of the Cooper Sumps and consolidating the materials above the Cooper North and South Sumps. A cap consisting of a stabilization layer, foundation layer, low-hydraulic conductivity layer, and erosion resistance layer would be constructed above the sumps. A vapor control and monitoring system would be installed beneath the cap and around the sumps, and existing groundwater monitoring occurring at the Site would continue.

The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment. Senate Bill 743 (2013) has codified into CEQA law and mandated that CEQA review of transportation impacts of proposed development be modified by using Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) as the primary metric in identifying transportation impacts for all future development projects. You may reference the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) for more information:

<http://opr.ca.gov/ceqa/updates/guidelines/>

As a reminder, VMT is the standard transportation analysis metric in CEQA for land use projects after July 1, 2020, which is the statewide implementation date.

The proposed remedial actions would not affect public roadways in the long-term because these activities would not substantially affect the overall circulation system. The Proposed Project would add some traffic to roadways during the 4-month construction period due to delivery of materials and supplies to the Site, removal of wastes from the Site, and workers traveling to and from the Site. The Proposed Project would not have any long-term effects on congestion levels.

The proposed project would not result in any potentially significant impacts. Mitigation measures would not be necessary beyond those actions incorporated as part of the Proposed Project to ensure that potential impacts would remain at a less-than-significant level.

Any transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials which requires use of oversized-transport vehicles on State highways will need a Caltrans transportation permit. We recommend large size truck trips be limited to off-peak commute periods.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Alan Lin, the project coordinator, at (213) 269-1124 and refer to GTS # LA-2022-03862AL-ND.

Sincerely,



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