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### **Re: Johnson Pier Reconfiguration, Vessel Dock and Fuel Dock Replacement Project Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND)**

Dear John Moren:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the Johnson Pier Reconfiguration, Vessel Dock and Fuel Dock Replacement 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 April 2022 IS/MND.

#### **Project Understanding**

The proposed project proposes to improve the safety of commercial fishing handling operations, eliminate current constraints, increase the life and capacity of commercial docks, and improve dock accessibility. These would be achieved by expanding Johnson Pier to allow for truck turn around, replacing existing docks, and adding a work dock. The project is located in the community of Princeton, roughly 0.2 miles south of the Highway 1/Capistrano Road intersection in San Mateo County.

#### **Travel Demand Analysis**

With the enactment of Senate Bill (SB) 743, Caltrans is focused on maximizing efficient development patterns, innovative travel demand reduction strategies, and multimodal improvements. For more information on how Caltrans assesses Transportation Impact Studies, please review Caltrans' Transportation Impact Study Guide ([link](#)).

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### **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 STN.

Thank you again for including Caltrans in the environmental review process. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, or for future notifications and requests for review of new projects, please email [LDR-D4@dot.ca.gov](mailto:LDR-D4@dot.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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