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RE: Colima Villas
Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)
SCH # 2022040462
Vic. LA-060/PM: 19.149
GTS # 07-LA-2022-03925

Dear Marie Pavlovic:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced MND. The Colima Villas project proposes to construct seventeen (17) attached condominium units spread amongst six buildings from an existing vacant lot at the address 18002 Colima Road, Rowland Heights, CA 91748 within the unincorporated portion of the County of Los Angeles. The project includes a plan amendment, CUP, variance, and vesting tentative map. The County of Los Angeles is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The project site is approximately 2/3 of a mile east of State Route 60 (SR-60). After reviewing the MND, the project was determined to have less-than-significant transportation impact. Therefore, further Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) analysis is not needed as set forth by the County of Los Angeles and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines. We do not anticipate any potential safety impact from the proposed project to our State facility (SR-60). However, we would like to be informed of any additional impacts to our facilities should it occur during construction phase. The following information is included for your consideration.

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. Caltrans recommends that the Project limit construction traffic to off-peak periods to minimize the potential impact on State facilities. If construction traffic is expected to cause issues on any State facilities, please submit a construction traffic control plan detailing these issues for Caltrans' review.

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Finally, any work completed on or near Caltrans' right of way may require an encroachment permit. However, the final determination on this will be made by Caltrans' Office of Permits. This work would require additional review and may be subject to additional requirements to ensure current design standards and access management elements are being addressed. For more information on encroachment permits, see: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep>.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Karen Herrera, the project coordinator, at Karen.Herrera@dot.ca.gov and refer to GTS # 07-LA-2022-03925.

Sincerely,



MIYA EDMONSON
LDR/CEQA Branch Chief

cc: State Clearinghouse