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**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE**

City of Moorpark  
Community Development Department  
ATTN: Doug Spondello  
799 Moorpark Avenue  
Moorpark, CA 93021

RE: Moorpark General Plan Update – Notice of  
Preparation (NOP)  
SCH# 2022050327  
GTS# 07-LA-2022-00488  
Vic. LA-Multiple

Dear Doug Spondello,

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced project. The City of Moorpark is in the process of preparing an update to its General Plan, which constitutes the proposed project. The following element updates and related policy changes are included as part of the proposed project: updates to the Land Use Element, Circulation Element, Housing Element, Economic Development Element, Open Space, Parks, and Recreation Element, Conservation Element, Safety Element, and Noise Element. The General Plan will also include an Implementation Plan that identifies responsible parties and actions to carry out the General Plan Policies.

The nearest State facilities to the project are SR 118 and SR 23. After reviewing the NOP, Caltrans has the following comments:

To best accommodate the additional anticipated housing units and not induce demand for excessive Vehicle Miles Travelled (VMT), Caltrans recommends significantly reducing or eliminating car parking requirements. Research looking at the relationship between land-use, parking, and transportation indicates that car parking prioritizes driving above all other travel modes and undermines a community's ability to choose public transit and active modes of transportation. For any community or city to better support all modes of transportation and reduce vehicle miles traveled, we recommend the implementation of a TDM ordinance, as an alternative to requiring car parking.

Caltrans looks forward to reviewing the forthcoming Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) to confirm that the Project will result in a net reduction in VMT.

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If you have any questions, please contact project coordinator Anthony Higgins, at [anthony.higgins@dot.ca.gov](mailto:anthony.higgins@dot.ca.gov) and refer to GTS# 07-LA-2022-00488.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Miya Edmonson".

MIYA EDMONSON  
IGR/CEQA Branch Chief

cc: State Clearinghouse