

## **APPENDIX C**

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# **Paleontological Records Search**

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September 26, 2020

Parker Environmental Consultants

Attn: Jennifer Kelley

re: Paleontological resources for the Panorama City Mall Specific Plan EIR Project

Dear Jennifer:

I have conducted a thorough search of our paleontology collection records for the locality and specimen data for proposed development at the Panorama City Mall Specific Plan EIR project area as outlined on the portion of the Van Nuys USGS topographic quadrangle map that you sent to me via e-mail on Sept 21, 2020. We do not have any fossil localities that lie directly within the proposed project area, but we do have fossil localities nearby from the same sedimentary deposits that occur in the proposed project area, either at the surface or at depth.

The following table shows the closest known localities in the collection of the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County.

<b>Locality Number</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Formation</b>	<b>Taxa</b>	<b>Depth</b>
LACM VP 3822	Calvert St, S of Sylvan Park School, Van Nuys	Unnamed lacustrine deposit (Pleistocene)	Bison ( <i>Bison</i> )	75-100 ft bgs
LACM VP 6208	Burbank Blvd. & Kester Ave. in Van Nuys	Unknown formation (Pleistocene)	Bison ( <i>Bison</i> )	20 ft bgs
LACM VP 3263	5112 Kester Ave, Van Nuys	Unknown (Pleistocene)	Horse family ( <i>Equidae</i> )	11-20 ft bgs (sewer excavations)
LACM VP 6970	Lankershim Blvd & Bloomfield St, Toluca Lake	Old alluvium (pebble - gravel; sand; silt & clay)	Ground Sloth ( <i>Glossotherium</i> ); Camel ( <i>Camelops</i> ); Bison ( <i>Bison</i> )	60-80 ft bgs (tunnel for Metrorail Redline)
LACM VP 7152	Lower Van Norman Reservoir, Mission Hills	Pleistocene terrace deposit	Mammoth ( <i>Mammuthus</i> )	Unknown

*VP, Vertebrate Paleontology; IP, Invertebrate Paleontology; bgs, below ground surface*

This records search covers only the records of the Natural History Museum of Los

Angeles County (“NHMLA”). It is not intended as a paleontological assessment of the project area for the purposes of CEQA or NEPA. Potentially fossil-bearing units are present in the project area, either at the surface or in the subsurface. As such, NHMLA recommends that a full paleontological assessment of the project area be conducted by a paleontologist meeting Bureau of Land Management or Society of Vertebrate Paleontology standards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alyssa Bell". The signature is written in a cursive style and is centered within a light gray rectangular box.

Alyssa Bell, Ph.D.  
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enclosure: invoice