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Los Angeles County Sherriff's Department Request for
Information Letter

From: [Loughridge, Rodney S.](#)
To: [Anna Millar](#)
Subject: FW: Information Request for the Trails at Lyons Canyon Residential Development Project
Date: Monday, June 28, 2021 4:01:35 PM
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Ms. Millar,

The following are the responses to your questions:

1. The LASD does have 23 Sheriff stations.
2. Santa Clarita Valley Sheriff Station is located approximately 3.2 miles (birds eye view) northeast of the project site. Since the project site is in the county area of Los Angeles County, the California Highway Patrol (CHP) will provide traffic enforcement and traffic investigative responsibility. The CHP office located at 28648 The Old Road, Valencia, CA 91355 is approximately 5.9 miles from the project site per Google maps. No other law enforcement agency would be providing police service to the project site.
3. CHP provides traffic enforcement and traffic collision investigative responsibilities in the county area.
4.
 - a. Santa Clarita Valley Station currently has 56 patrol vehicles, 182 sworn full-time law enforcement and 15 reserved Deputy Sheriffs assigned to the station. We have approximately 70 sworn personnel working each day.
 - b. Refer to <https://lasd.org/santa-clarita-valley/> for areas served. The population of the City of Santa Clarita is 220,495 and the unincorporated area is 67,006, although the recent census will likely raise both of those numbers.
 - c. Special service teams available within the sheriff station: Juvenile Intervention Team (K9 deputy), School Resource Deputies, Crime Impact Team, Crime Prevention Unit, Special Assignment Team, Mountain Search and Rescue- (Teams assigned to the Santa Clarita Valley Sheriff Station); Special Enforcement Bureau (SWAT) is not assigned to the station but is an available resource if needed.
 - d. Average Stevenson Ranch response times for the month of May, 2021: Emergent calls – 7.7 minutes, Priority calls – 16.5 minutes, and Routine calls – 81.3 minutes. We are not able to provide department-wide response time data, as that would likely have to be solicited with a discovery request. Keep in mind that the response times above are an average between our unincorporated areas, which include Stevenson Ranch, Castaic, and various unincorporated areas of Canyon Country, etc.
 - e. 4e – Unincorporated Part I crime statistics from May, 2021 are below, however that does not solely outline Stevenson Ranch’s numbers, but rather encompasses statistics for our station’s entire unincorporated area of coverage. Additional crime mapping is available through <https://lasd.org/santa-clarita-valley/>. Should you need Part II crime info, that can be provided as well.

CRIME STATISTICS MONTHLY COMPARISON (Crimes per 10,000 Residents)							
Crimes	2016 YTD Actual Incidents	2016 Total Incidents	2020 YTD Actual Incidents	2020 Total Incidents	2021 YTD Actual Incidents	5 Year Change 2016 - 2021	1 Year Change 2020 - 2021
Homicides	2	4	0	0	0	-100.0%	N/C
Rapes	0	6	3	10	6	N/C	100.0%
Robberies	7	15	11	19	9	28.6%	-18.2%
Assaults	13	46	13	30	11	-15.4%	-15.4%
Burglaries	71	164	52	102	36	-49.3%	-30.8%
Grand Theft Autos	41	83	34	77	39	-4.9%	14.7%
Arson	2	5	1	1	2	N/C	100.0%
Total Part I Crimes	342	800	272	625	272	-20.5%	N/C

- f. We do not maintain a service ratio, such as an officer-to-resident ratio. Our staffing and deployment are based on the needs of the contract (contract city, unincorporated area, private entity, etc.), call

volume, crime rates, and a variety of other factors.

5. The new Santa Clarita Valley Sheriff Station is currently under construction at 26201 Golden Valley Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350. We plan to move into the new station during the fall of 2021. The new station is located on approximately 11.8 acres, the main station building is 46,552 square feet, the vehicle maintenance building is 4,165 square feet, and the helipad is approximately 3,800 square feet. No changes to police staffing at this time.

6. See response #5.

7. Current response times are indicated above for the unincorporated area. Future response times are not predictable since several factors contribute to them, many of which cannot be anticipated, including call volume, response distances, staffing, etc.

8. Although we are not familiar with Temecula Police Department's emergency response system, our desk/dispatch area is likely similar in nature as we share the common goal of dispatching calls for service to police officers in the field. Santa Clarita Valley Sheriff Station currently has a dispatch center staffed 24-hours per day/7-days a week by one watch deputy, one dispatcher, two complaint personnel, and one front counter deputy (as needed). The watch deputy is responsible for the supervision of the dispatch center personnel, as they provide valuable law enforcement experience and insight as to how high-risk calls should be handled. All desk personnel answer incoming 9-1-1 emergency calls and regular business calls for service, however the primary call-taking responsibilities fall on the two complaint positions. When a call for service is taken, the desk personnel input the call into the Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD), and the dispatcher will then dispatch the call to deputies in the field. The watch deputy and dispatcher have direct communication with field personnel via radio and the CAD, as they work in unison to safely direct deputies to the appropriate resources. The front counter deputy assist the public when they come to the station to ask questions, file a report, or handle other station-related business.

9. Recommendations to design features are lighting of building/residential address numbers to ensure visibility from the street for emergency responders, landscaping that would minimize opportunities for hiding, well lit street lamps throughout the community

Please don't hesitate to contact me for any further information.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Information Request for the Trails at Lyons Canyon Residential Development Project

This message is from an EXTERNAL SENDER - be CAUTIOUS, particularly with links and attachments

Good morning Lt. Loughridge,

In coordination with the County of Los Angeles Department of Regional Planning, ESA is preparing an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Trails at Lyons Canyon Project (Project) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

ESA is seeking information from the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department regarding police protection services and facilities for the

Project. The EIR will include an assessment of the Project's potential impacts on police protection services and facilities. Since the Project is located within the jurisdiction of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) Santa Clarita Valley Station, we are requesting information from your agency, with regards to police protection services and facilities.

Please find the attached information request letter. Please feel free to call me or our Project Manager, Brian Allee (contact information attached) to discuss our information needs and/or any questions regarding the Project. An emailed response to this information request would be ideal (feel free to directly respond directly within email if more convenient than letter format). If possible, we are hoping to receive a response by Thursday July, 1. I appreciate your time and assistance with this effort.

Thank you and have a great week,

Anna Millar

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