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**AMA-88-PM 23.12**  
**ACES Waste Services Initial**  
**Study (IS)**  
**SCH 2022070368**

Ms. Ruesel,

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Aces Waste Services project Initial Study that proposes to increase the permitted daily tonnage and permitted daily traffic at the existing Pine Grove Public Transfer Station (PGPTS).

The proposed project is located at 19801 Berry Street, in the community of Pine Grove on Assessor Parcel Number (APN) 030-140-067.

#### **Environmental**

If any construction-related activities encroach into Caltrans Right of Way (ROW), the project proponent must apply for an Encroachment Permit to the Caltrans Encroachment Permit Office. All California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) documentation, with supporting technical studies, must be submitted with the Encroachment Permit Application. These studies will analyze potential impacts on cultural sites, biological resources, hazardous waste locations, scenic highways, and/or other environmental resources within Caltrans ROW at the project site(s). Evidence of consultation with local Native American tribes and interested parties will need to be presented within the technical documents to approve encroachment in the Caltrans ROW. Mature trees within and/or near Caltrans ROW could provide suitable nesting habitats. If work occurs between February 1 and September 30 of any year, a pre-construction bird survey must be conducted by a qualified biologist before any construction-related activities in Caltrans ROW. A protective buffer must be established around the nest if an active nest is observed per California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) guidelines. No work is allowed within the protective buffer limits until the young have fledged and until authorized by the Caltrans District 10 Environmental Office.

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### **Encroachment Permits**

If any future project activities encroach into Caltrans Right-of-Way (ROW), the project proponent must submit an application for an Encroachment Permit to the Caltrans District 10 Encroachment Permit Office. Appropriate environmental studies must be submitted with this application. These studies will analyze potential impacts to any cultural sites, biological resources, hazardous waste locations, and/or other resources within Caltrans ROW at the project site(s). For more information, please visit the Caltrans Website at: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep/applications>

Please contact Paul Bauldry at (209) 670-9488 or by email: paul.bauldry@dot.ca.gov, or me at (209) 483-7234 (email: Gregoria.Ponce@dot.ca.gov) if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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