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**Dec 29 2023**  
**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE**

Good afternoon,

Sorry for the delay, but we would like to submit a response for the subject line Environmental Document Review.

The California Highway Patrol San Geronio Pass Area received Environmental Impact documents for the proposed project referenced 'Orchard Logistics Center' for State Clearinghouse (SCH) number 2022070351. After review, the California Highway Patrol San Geronio Pass Area's interest in commenting arises from our concern for the safety of motorists as well as potential impacts on our operations.

1. The Area's first concern is the driveway intended for emergency vehicle access at the northwest corner of the proposed construction site (Circled in red in visual below). The Area is concerned that construction traffic will attempt to utilize this access point as an ingress/egress point for State Route 60. Since this access point was not engineered as an on-ramp/off-ramp, vehicles using this access point pose a substantial risk for injury or fatal traffic collisions. Using preplanned entry and exit points and proper signage to alert motorists could help alleviate these risks.



2. Upon completion of construction, the concern remains that commercial truck tractor combination vehicles will attempt to utilize the access point referenced above for State Route 60. Vehicles attempting to enter State Route 60 at this access point pose a substantial risk for traffic traveling at the posted speed limit.
  
3. Beaumont Avenue (State Route 79) at Interstate 10 is the nearest approved freeway access. This access point has had a substantial increase in commercial traffic due to the construction of similar distribution facilities as proposed in the subject EIR. This increase in traffic has already created a delay for California Highway Patrol units responding to emergency incidents on Interstate 10 and State Route 60. The Area believes the current infrastructure needs to be improved for the proposed increase in commercial traffic. Additional Caltrans-engineered freeway access points should be considered to help alleviate traffic concerns for the city of Beaumont, Interstate 10, and State Route 60.

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