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RE: Pure Water Southern
California Project (NOP-EIR)
SCH# 2022090654
GTS# 07-LA-2022-00347

Dear Ms. Reyes,

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the public review process for the above referenced project. The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment. The Local Development Review (LDR) Program reviews land use projects and plans to ensure consistency with our mission and state planning priorities. The proposed project will further create and distribute a new sustainable water supply by purifying cleaned wastewater in the region. The goal is to diversify Southern California water supply and enhance regional operational resilience and reliability.

Caltrans supports Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts joint effort to develop and implement a regional recycled water program. As the project scope is located throughout multiple cities in Los Angeles County, Caltrans recommends providing mitigation measures to avoid or minimized significant contractors may need to prepare a construction traffic control plan. Also, transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials that require use of oversized-transport vehicles on State highways will need a Caltrans transportation permit.

Caltrans is committed to prioritizing projects that are equitable and provide meaningful benefits to historically underserved communities, to ultimately improve transportation accessibility and quality of life for people in the communities we serve. We look forward to working with our partner agencies in areas where we both can improve the transportation network and connections between various modes of travel, with the goal of improving the experience of those who use the transportation system.

Ms. Ana Reyes
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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Amy Cruz, LDR Coordinator, by e-mail at amy.tran.cruz@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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cc: State Clearinghouse