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Dear Mr. Fregoso,

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the review of the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Pointe Common Affordable Housing Project. The Project proposes the construction of a 65-unit affordable housing development with ancillary facilities such as surface parking, utility infrastructure, and landscaping/open space amenities. The proposed project would require an amendment to the Fullerton Plan to change the land use designation of the project site from Industrial to Medium Density Residential.

The approximate 2.5-acre project site located at 1600 West Commonwealth Avenue in the City of Fullerton (City), California. Regional access is provided by State Route 91 (SR-91) to the south of the project site. State Route 91 is owned and operated by Caltrans. Therefore, Caltrans is a responsible agency on this project, and has the following comments:

**Transportation and System Planning**

1. New residential infill development offers an opportunity to encourage multimodal transportation options. Caltrans encourages the design of Complete Streets that include high-quality pedestrian, bicycle, and transit facilities that are safe and comfortable for users of all ages and abilities. This may include safety measures such as physically separated sidewalks and bike lanes; pedestrian-oriented LED lighting; high-visibility continental crosswalk striping; raised crosswalks; refuge islands; wayfinding signage; and safe connections to existing and proposed bicycle, pedestrian, and transit facilities. Complete Streets improvements also promote regional connectivity, improve air quality, reduce congestion, promote improved first-/last-mile connections, and increase safety for all modes of transportation.

*"Provide a safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment"*

2. Caltrans recommends that bicycle storage facilities be designed to accommodate a range of bicycle styles, sizes, and weights. For additional guidance on providing secure short- and long-term bike parking for a range of bicycle styles & sizes, see the attached "Essentials of Bike Parking" guidance created by the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals (link to online PDF: <https://www.apbp.org/Publications>)
3. Please encourage the use of transit among future residents, visitors, and workers of the development. Increasing multimodal transportation will lead to a reduction to congestion, Vehicle Miles Traveled, and improve air quality.

### **Freight Operations and Planning**

4. For the residential development proposed, consider how many individual packages will be delivered daily to individual residences. Amazon lockers or an equivalent shared drop-off location can help reduce the amount of driving done by delivery trucks and can increase the efficiency of deliveries.

Caltrans' mission is to provide a safe, sustainable, equitable, integrated, and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability. Please continue to coordinate with Caltrans for any future developments that could potentially impact State transportation facilities. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Julie Lugaro at [Julie.lugaro@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Julie.lugaro@dot.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Julie Lugaro in blue ink.

for  
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