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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

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RE: Los Robles Comprehensive Cancer
Center and the 355 West Janss Road
General Plan Amendment and Zone
Change Project Draft Environmental
Impact Report (DEIR)
SCH # 2023040287
Vic. VEN-Multiple
GTS # 07-VEN-2023-00577

Dear Scott Kolwitz:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced DEIR. The Project consists of two components: (1) redevelopment of the 4.92-acre site off Rolling Oaks Drive as a comprehensive cancer center medical building (Cancer Center); and (2) a concurrent request for a General Plan Amendment and zone change at the 355 West Janss Road site to ensure no net loss of residential zoning capacity from approval of the comprehensive cancer center (Janss Road). The City of Thousand Oaks is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Regional access to the Cancer Center site is provided via U.S. Route 101, which is located 0.2 miles north of the site. Regional access to the Janss Road site is provided via U.S. Route 101, located 1.55 miles south of the site. After reviewing the DEIR, Caltrans has the following comments:

According to the DEIR, based on the City's threshold of significance, the Cancer Center is not projected to have a significant impact as the Project's vehicle miles travelled (VMT) per capita does not exceed the Citywide average VMT per employee. Thus, the proposed Project would result in less-than-significant transportation impacts. Similarly, the Janss Road Project is not projected to have a significant impact as the Project's VMT per capita does not exceed the Citywide average VMT per resident. Thus, the proposed Project would result in less-than-significant transportation impacts. Given the less than significant findings, Caltrans concurs transportation safety impacts would be less than significant. However, Caltrans highly recommends a post-development VMT analysis (after one year

of project operation) for monitoring/validation purpose and for future project thresholds in the area. Additional Transportation Demand Management (TDM) strategies should be implemented when the post-development VMT analysis discloses any traffic significant impact.

We encourage the Lead Agency to evaluate the potential of TDM strategies and Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) applications to better manage the transportation network, as well as transit service and bicycle or pedestrian connectivity improvements, such as reduced parking supply without spillover of parking into the surrounding neighborhood; and, TDM promotions and marketing to provide information on public transit and any related incentives, flexible work schedules and telecommuting programs, pedestrian and bicycle amenities provided, rideshare/carpool/vanpool programs, and parking incentives.

For additional TDM options, please refer to the Federal Highway Administration's Integrating Demand Management into the Transportation Planning Process: A Desk Reference (Chapter 8). This reference is available online at:

<https://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/publications/fhwahop12035/fhwahop12035.pdf>

As a reminder, any transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials which requires use of oversized-transport vehicles on State Highways will need a Caltrans transportation permit. Caltrans recommends that the Project limit construction traffic to off-peak periods to minimize the potential impact on State facilities. If construction traffic is expected to cause issues on any State facilities, please submit a construction traffic control plan detailing these issues for Caltrans' review.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Karen Herrera, the project coordinator, at Karen.Herrera@dot.ca.gov and refer to GTS # 07-VEN-2023-00577.

Sincerely,

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