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September 12, 2023

Nader Heydari  
City of Thousand Oaks  
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RE: Hill Canyon Treatment Plant Storm  
Water Diversion Project Mitigated  
Negative Declaration (MND)  
SCH # 2023080365  
Vic. VEN-Multiple  
GTS # 07-VEN-2023-00555

Dear Nader Heydari:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above-referenced MND. The City of Thousand Oaks is proposing improvements to the Hill Canyon Treatment Plant, including storm drain improvements, the development of a new debris basin, and the development of a new stormwater channel in a dedicated channel/pipe to an existing discharge location. The project is located seven miles north of SR-101. The City of Thousand Oaks is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

After reviewing the MND, the Initial Study states that construction of the Project would generate temporary construction-related trips, which would cease after Project construction is completed. Project operation is anticipated to retain the same operational characteristics as the existing treatment plant, and it will not result in an increase of employees at the treatment plant or generate new trips. Therefore, Caltrans concurs that transportation impacts would be less than significant and has no further comments for this MND at this time.

As a reminder, any transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials that requires the 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.

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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jaden Oloresisimo, the project coordinator, at [Jaden.Oloresisimo@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Jaden.Oloresisimo@dot.ca.gov) and refer to GTS # 07-VEN-2023-00555.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Miya Edmonson".

MIYA EDMONSON  
LDR/CEQA Branch Chief

cc: State Clearinghouse