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**CAL-26-PM 5.946**  
**Initial Study Jenny Lind**  
**Water Transmission Pipeline**  
**Project SCH 2023090007**

Mr. Palmer,

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) appreciates the opportunity to review and comment on the Water Transmission pipeline Initial Study that proposes to install 20,000 feet of potable water transmission pipeline to remove an existing hydraulic transmission bottleneck and improve conveyance to Tank B and install connections for new or replaced laterals. The project area covers approximately 35.32-acre. The pipeline will be placed in trenches within existing paved roads of the community of Rancho Calaveras. The new pipeline will be installed parallel to the existing transmission system lines from Tank A on Hart Vickson Lane to Tank B on Wind River Drive.

The project area extends from Tank A on Hart Vickson Lane heading south, turns south on Baldwin Street, heads southeast on Usher Drive, turns east up Wind River Drive, continues east on Wind River Drive, and ends at Tank B.

### **Caltrans has the following comments:**

Caltrans suggests that the County of Calaveras continue to coordinate with Caltrans in identifying and addressing potential pedestrian safety and cumulative transportation impacts from this project and other developments near this location. This will assist Caltrans in ensuring that pedestrian, traffic safety, and quality standards are maintained for the traveling public on existing and future state transportation facilities in Calaveras County.

### **Traffic Operations**

1. The Temporary Lane Closures and staging will need to be reviewed by Caltrans Traffic Management prior to construction. Please provide those plans.
2. Any work done within state Right of Way (ROW) will have to be reviewed by Caltrans Encroachment permits.

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**Encroachment Permits**

If any project activities encroach into Caltrans ROW, the project proponent must submit an application for an Encroachment Permit to the Caltrans District 10 Encroachment Permit Office. Appropriate environmental studies must be submitted with this application. For more information, please visit the Caltrans Website at: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep/applications>

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Shiferaw Jemberie (209) 986-9635 (email: [Shiferaw.jemberie@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Shiferaw.jemberie@dot.ca.gov)) or me at (209) 483-7234 (email: [Gregoria.Ponce@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Gregoria.Ponce@dot.ca.gov)).

Sincerely,

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