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Maria Martin, Environmental Affairs Officer  
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RE: Asphalt Plant No. 1 Phase  
2 Project (MND)  
SCH # 2023110431  
GTS #07-LA-2023-04378  
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Dear Maria Martin,

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced project. The City of Los Angeles is proposing to develop a satellite site at 2601 East 25th Street to store and process recycled asphalt pavement (RAP). The project would be a continuation of the Asphalt Plant No. 1 site improvements, located at 2484 East Olympic Boulevard and approximately 1.2 miles from the project site. The project proposes construction of a modernized asphalt plant containing a 22,600-square-foot, light frame canopy structure and 610-square-foot office building to replace the existing aged asphalt production plant. All vehicles currently access the project site via Harriet Street or East 25th Street. Surrounding site uses include two industrial properties with surface parking lots, northwest-southeast trending railroad, and another industrial development.

The project would generate a maximum of 64 trips per day during building construction, consisting of worker trips, vendor trips, and hauling trips. There are no nearby Los Angeles transit bus stops to the project site, nor existing bicycle lanes or sidewalks along the project site's frontage with Harriet Street and East 25th Street. Primary regional access to the project site is provided by I-10, I-5, State Route (SR) 60, and SR 101 freeways. The project site is approximately 0.9-mile south of I-10, approximately 1.1-miles southwest of I-5, and approximately 1-mile south of SR 60 and SR 101.

After reviewing the MND, Caltrans has the following comments:

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

An average of 50 truck trips per day to Asphalt Plant No. 1. and the trips from the three employees operating the plant would not generate a net increase of 250 or more daily vehicle trips. As per the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) Transportation Assessment Guidelines (TAG), adopted in August 2022, the proposed project is not required to perform a transportation assessment, which would include a Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) analysis. While this continues to add to regional VMT impact, the trip length of the heavy-duty trucks transporting containers and cars would be less than 2 miles to and from Asphalt Plant No. 1 and would not be considered to have significant VMT impact.

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 large size truck trips be limited to off-peak commute periods.

If you have any questions, please contact project coordinator Anthony Higgins, at [anthony.higgins@dot.ca.gov](mailto:anthony.higgins@dot.ca.gov) and refer to GTS #07-LA-2023-04378.

Sincerely,

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