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Re: 880 Doolittle Drive Industrial Project – Notice of Preparation (NOP) for a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)

Dear Cindy Lemaire:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the 880 Doolittle Drive Industrial Project. We are committed to ensuring that impacts to the State's multimodal transportation system and to our natural environment are identified and mitigated to support a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system.

The Local Development Review (LDR) Program reviews land use projects and plans to ensure consistency with our mission and state planning priorities. The following comments are based on our review of the November 2023 NOP.

Project Understanding

The proposed project is in the vicinity of State Route (SR)-61 and SR-112 in San Leandro. The project would demolish currently vacant warehouse buildings on the site and construct a new 229,573-square-foot warehouse with supporting office space, site improvements, and landscaping.

Freight

Please consider the following freight issues when drafting the DEIR: the number of parking spaces should be based on peak operating time of the activity generator; site entrance and exit points should accommodate the design of vehicle movements; the DEIR should identify pedestrian and bicycle conflict points to and from the proposed facility as well as bus stops that may conflict with truck parking zones; and the project

should consider the number of legal truck parking spots available in the area and the potential areas that may be utilized as unauthorized parking.

In addition, the City may consider implementing the following improvements to the project: providing peak operating time parking to ensure an adequate number of spaces; and implementing appropriate lighting at loading docks and parking spots to improve safety.

Construction-Related Impacts

Potential impacts to the State Right-of-Way (ROW) from project-related temporary access points should be analyzed. Mitigation for significant impacts due to construction and noise should be identified. Project work that requires movement of oversized or excessive load vehicles on State roadways requires a transportation permit that is issued by Caltrans. To apply, please visit Caltrans Transportation Permits ([link](#)). Prior to construction, coordination may be required with Caltrans to develop a Transportation Management Plan (TMP) to reduce construction traffic impacts to the State Transportation Network (STN).

Lead Agency

As the Lead Agency, the City of San Leandro is responsible for all project mitigation, including any needed improvements to the STN. The project's fair share contribution, financing, scheduling, implementation responsibilities and lead agency monitoring should be fully discussed for all proposed mitigation measures.

Thank you again for including Caltrans in the environmental review process. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Llisel Ayon, Associate Transportation Planner, via LDR-D4@dot.ca.gov. For future early coordination opportunities or project referrals, please contact LDR-D4@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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