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STATE CLEARING HOUSE

RE: Cherokee Court Residential Project – Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) SCH # 2024020044 GTS #07-LA-2024-04442 LA-210/PM 45.78

Dear Ken Fichtelman,

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced project. The Project proposes to amend the General Plan Land Use Map from Single Family Very Low and Commercial to Single-Family Low; amend the Zoning Map from SF A 16000 to SF-7500; and subdivide a 1.59 net acre portion of the Project Area into seven residential lot sizes ranging from 7,920 square feet to 11,293 square feet.

After reviewing the MND, Caltrans has the following comments:

The Project proposes adding curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and parkway landscaping to the west side of Cherokee Court, while East Baseline Road will get only a curb and gutter. These improvements are consistent with the City of San Dimas's programs, plans, policies, or ordinances focusing on transportation facilities. Caltrans encourages adding overall programs, plans, policies, or ordinances that focus on bicycle and pedestrian facilities. We recommend implementing additional bicycle and pedestrian elements, such as high-visibility continental crosswalk markings, high-visibility bike lane pavement markings, continuous sidewalks, and Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB). Caltrans recognizes the existing pedestrian elements that enhance safety, particularly near Interstate 210 on/off-ramps. With our additional recommendations, we hope to continue enhancing the safety of pedestrians within the City of San Dimas.

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Although the MND contains a Transportation Impact Analysis, Section 4.17, there is no analysis or determination of transportation and construction traffic impacts on Interstate 210 on/off-ramps located in the vicinity of the proposed project. In reviewing traffic safety investigations, there are no known safety issues or concerns at the on/off-ramps at San Dimas Ave or Foothill Blvd (SR-66).

As a reminder, construction vehicles should transport equipment to and from construction sites during non-peak hours and avoid congested freeway/s. Hauling trucks should be covered with a tarpaulin to avoid debris spillage onto the roadways.

If you have any questions, please contact project coordinator Frances Duong, at frances.duong@dot.ca.gov and refer to GTS #07-LA-2024-04442.

Sincerely,

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Cc: State Clearinghouse