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RE: Citrus College 2020-2030 Educational and
Facilities Master Plan
SCH # 2024040908
Vic. LA-210/PM R40.56
GTS # LA-2024-04513-MND

Dear Claudette Dain:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above-referenced environmental document. Pursuant to the Master Plan, site improvements will include connectivity of on-site parking facilities, refinement of existing and additional drop-off/pick-up zones, improved pedestrian access, and wayfinding. Renovations will address programming needs for flexible and technologically advanced classrooms and laboratory technology upgrades, improvements to space efficiency and utilization of space, improvements to existing infrastructure, and sustainability improvements that will contribute to becoming a Zero Net Energy (ZNE) campus.

The Master Plan also involves the construction of new buildings:

- Buildings to replace existing buildings that do not meet the requirements for renovation
- Buildings that will address the needs of Citrus College to meet the demands of its current and future students, changing population demographics, and the changing labor market as defined in the educational component of the master plan
- Buildings that maximize efficiency and implement a comprehensive sustainable building design
- Sustainable strategies that will contribute to becoming a ZNE campus

The Air Quality Analysis used default trip generation rates from the CalEEMod model, estimating that the addition of 162 students would generate 186 daily trips on weekdays. According to the City of Glendora General Plan, Foothill Boulevard east of the Project site

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is expected to have 13,700 daily vehicular trips by 2025. The Proposed Project would account for 1.4 percent of this total if all project traffic were to travel east on Foothill Drive. Caltrans concurs that the impacts of the Proposed Project on plans, policies, or ordinances related to public transportation, bicycles, or pedestrian facilities would be less than significant.

The Proposed Project area is within 0.5 mile of several transit stops. While the 2020-2030 EFMP improvements are unlikely to significantly reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT) in the Project area due to the Plan's assumption of modest student population growth, the proximity to multiple transit stops ensures a less than significant transportation impact. The expected enrollment growth will primarily come from local neighborhoods, minimizing the impact on VMT from out-of-town students. Additionally, the Project will introduce student commuters but does not include housing or retail development that would significantly increase vehicle travel to and from the area. Therefore, the Proposed Project aligns with the CEQA Guidelines.

As a reminder, 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. We recommend large-size truck trips be limited to off-peak commute periods. Truck drivers should cover construction trucks with tarpaulin to avoid debris spillage onto the State Highway.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Alan Lin, the project coordinator, at (213) 269-1124 and refer to GTS # LA-2024-04513-MND.

Sincerely,

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