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RE: NWC Telegraph and SFS: Notice of
Preparation (NOP)
GTS # 07-LA-2024-04534
SCH # 2024050495
Vic. LA 72 PM 4.26
LA 605 PM R20.643

Dear Jimmy Wong:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above-referenced project. The Project proposes to subdivide the approximately 26.77-acre parcel into two parcels. The applicant for the proposed Project requests approval from the City of Santa Fe Springs to demolish the existing building on site, abandon the existing onsite oil wells, and construct two new warehouse buildings with parking, landscaping, and access improvements. The proposed Building 1 would be approximately 298,373 square feet (SF) with a FAR of 0.51. The proposed Building 2 would be approximately 286,305 SF with a FAR of 0.49. Additional improvements include parking, loading docks, decorative landscaping, associated onsite infrastructure, and construction of a cul-de-sac driveway. The City of Santa Fe Springs is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The closest state facilities are SR 72 and SR 605. After reviewing the project's documents, Caltrans has the following comments:

To meet the goals and objectives of community placemaking and safe urban design, Caltrans encourages the Lead Agency to incorporate multi-modal infrastructure along and within the site for people walking, riding bicycles, and riding transit. This infrastructure should include ADA-compliant design, adequate sidewalks, high visibility crosswalks, class IV bike lanes, reducing vehicle parking, and implementing bike parking to best create a fully accessible Complete Street.

The Transportation Section of the Initial Study has declared that the project may have potentially significant transportation impacts, therefore Caltrans requests that a multi-modal conflict/safety analysis be performed across the project and the following intersections:

- NB Route 5 off-ramp and Rosecrans Avenue Intersection.
- SB Route 605 off-ramp segment and Florence Intersection.
- NB Route 605 off-ramp and Telegraph Road Intersection.
- SB Route 605 off-ramp and Slauson Intersection.
- SB Route 605 off-ramp and Saragosa Street/Pioneer Boulevard (Washington Boulevard off-ramp) Intersection.
- Route 72(Whittier Blvd.) and Washington Blvd. /Santa Fe Springs Road/Pickering Avenue Intersection.
- Route 72 and Painter Avenue Intersection.

If any safety impacts are found, they should be addressed with Transportation Demand Management (TDM) and Transportation System Management (TSM) mitigation measures.

Caltrans will require an Encroachment Permit for work performed within the State Right-of-way. Caltrans recommends that large-size truck travel be limited to off-peak commute hours. Caltrans requires a permit for any heavy construction equipment and or materials that require the use of oversized transport vehicles on State highways.

Caltrans recommends that the Project limit construction traffic to off-peak periods to minimize the potential impact on State facilities. If construction traffic is expected to cause issues on any State facilities, please submit a construction traffic control plan detailing these issues for Caltrans' review.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jaden Oloresisimo, the project coordinator, at Jaden.Oloresisimo@dot.ca.gov and refer to GTS # 07-LA-2024-04534.

Sincerely,



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cc: State Clearinghouse