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RE: NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
FOR THE 1301 SHOREWAY PROJECT DATED JUNE 20, 2024, STATE
CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER [2024060880](#)

Dear Carlos de Melo,

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) received a Notice of Preparation (NOP) of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the 1301 Shoreway Project (Project). The project applicant is proposing a general office campus and associated parking structure at 1301 Shoreway Road. The proposed Project will include demolition of an existing office building, raising the base flood elevation by 2 feet, and redevelopment with 542,035 square feet of employment uses (e.g. office space), parking garage, and landscape improvements. A series of outdoor amenities open to the public are proposed along the rear of the property, accessible from the trail along Belmont Creek. Two commercial office buildings are proposed; building 1 will be 8 stories and approximately 144 feet in height, building 2 will be 7 stories and

approximately 128 feet and a parking structure will be 9 levels. After reviewing the project, DTSC recommends and requests consideration of the following comments:

1. If buildings or other structures are to be demolished on any project sites included in the proposed Project, surveys should be conducted for the presence of lead-based paints or products, mercury, asbestos containing materials, and polychlorinated biphenyl caulk. Removal, demolition, and disposal of any of the above-mentioned chemicals should be conducted in compliance with California environmental regulations and policies. In addition, sampling near current and/or former buildings should be conducted in accordance with [DTSC's Preliminary Endangerment Assessment \(PEA\) Guidance Manual](#).
2. DTSC recommends that all imported soil and fill material should be tested to ensure any contaminants of concern are within DTSC's and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Regional Screen Levels for the intended land use. To minimize the possibility of introducing contaminated soil and fill material there should be documentation of the origins of the soil or fill material and, if applicable, sampling be conducted to ensure that the imported soil and fill material meets screening levels outlined in the [PEA Guidance Manual](#) for the intended land use. The soil sampling should include analysis based on the source of the fill and knowledge of the prior land use. Additional information can be found by visiting [DTSC's Human and Ecological Risk Office \(HERO\) webpage](#).

DTSC appreciates the opportunity to comment on the NOP of a DEIR for the 1301 Shoreway Project. Thank you for your assistance in protecting California's people and environment from the harmful effects of toxic substances. If you have any questions or would like any clarification on DTSC's comments, please respond to this letter or via [email](#) for additional guidance.

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Sincerely,

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