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### **Re: 1605 South 7th Street Project – Notice of Preparation (NOP) of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)**

Dear Bethelhem Telahun:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the 1605 South 7th Street Project. 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 October NOP 2024.

Please note this correspondence does not indicate an official position by Caltrans on this project and is for informational purposes only.

#### **Project Understanding**

The proposed project would demolish the existing structures and would construct an 88,445-square-foot warehouse building with office space and parking. The project is designed to support the “last mile” distribution of packages with including nine loading docks.

#### **Travel Demand Analysis**

With the enactment of Senate Bill (SB) 743, Caltrans is focused on maximizing efficient development patterns, innovative travel demand reduction strategies, and multimodal improvements. For more information on how Caltrans assesses Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) analysis for land use projects, please review Caltrans' Transportation Impact Study Guide ([link](#)).

Caltrans looks forward to reviewing the VMT analysis in the DEIR when it is available.

**Construction-Related Impacts**

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](#)).

Thank you again for including Caltrans in the environmental review process. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Marley Mathews, Associate Transportation Planner, via [LDR-D4@dot.ca.gov](mailto:LDR-D4@dot.ca.gov).

For future early coordination opportunities or project referrals, please visit Caltrans LDR website ([link](#)) or contact [LDR-D4@dot.ca.gov](mailto:LDR-D4@dot.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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