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**AMA-88-PM 3.409 Lone Band  
of Miwok Indians Water  
System Improvements  
SCH 2025030046**

Dear Ms. Guevara,

The Department of Transportation (Caltrans) appreciates the opportunity to review and provide information on the proposed Lone Band of Miwok Indians Water System Improvements. The Project would include the installation of a new water distribution system to provide potable water to 14 existing residences. The existing water distribution system would remain in place to provide water for irrigation and fire protection services only, while a new distribution system connected to the Jackson Valley Irrigation District (JVID) would provide potable water to the 14 existing residences.

The proposed project site is located within an approximately 40-acre rural residential area (APN 005-180-005-000) approximately 3 miles southwest of Lone in Amador County. Surrounding land uses include pasture, orchards, and vineyards. A small active quarry is located to the east, and a large active quarry is located approximately 1 mile to the north.

### **Caltrans, at this time has the following comments:**

#### **Environmental**

It does not appear that the work will encroach onto State Route 88. However, if there are any construction related activities that will encroach into Caltrans Right of Way (ROW) as a result of the project, the project proponent must apply for an Encroachment Permit with the Caltrans District 10 Encroachment Permit Office. All California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) documentation, such as the final Initial Study (IS), with supporting technical studies, must be submitted with the Encroachment Permit Application. These studies may include an analysis of potential impacts to any cultural sites, historic properties, biological resources, hazardous waste/materials, scenic highways, and/or other environmental resources within Caltrans Right of Way, at the project site(s).

**Traffic Operations**

Please submit all design vehicles to be used during construction and include their respective truck turning templates at the intersection of Jackson Valley Road and State Route (SR)88 shown on Figure 1: Project Location & Vicinity of the Initial Study and Mitigation Negative Declaration.

Any work within and adjacent to the State Right of Way (ROW) will require an encroachment permit.

**Encroachment Permits**

If any future project activities encroach into State ROW, the project proponent must submit an application for an Encroachment Permit to the Caltrans District 10 Encroachment Permit Office. Appropriate environmental studies must be submitted with this application. These studies will include an analysis of potential impacts to any cultural sites, biological resources, hazardous waste locations, and/or other resources within State ROW at the project site(s). For more information, please visit the Caltrans Website at: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep/applications>

If you have any questions or would like to discuss these comments, please contact Ashley Cooper at (209) 670-9488 (email: Ashley.Cooper@dot.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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c: State Clearinghouse