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Re: KJS Sorrento Vineyard Conversion Erosion Control Plan Application – Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)

Dear Donald Barrella:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for this project. We are committed to ensuring that impacts to the State's multimodal transportation system and to our natural environment are identified and mitigated to support a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system. The following comments are based on our review of the April 2020 DEIR.

Project Understanding

The project proposes vegetation removal and earthmoving activities on slopes greater than five percent in connection with the development of 111.5 net acres of vineyard within 156.8 gross acres on a 972.8-acre project site. The project site is located at 3370 and 3380 Sage Canyon Road, directly adjacent to State Route (SR)-128. There would be no improvements to the access point along SR-128 proposed as part of the project.

Highway Operations

On page 3.10-8 in the DEIR, it is mentioned that “the proposed project would generate an anticipated maximum of 24 one-way worker trips and two one-way truck trips per day, and operation would generate an anticipated maximum of 60 one-way worker trips and two one-way truck trips per day (during the annual two- to three-week harvest)”. please specify the sources of these values provided in the report.

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, visit: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/transportation-permits>.

Lead Agency

As the Lead Agency, the County of Napa is responsible for all project mitigation, including any needed improvements to the State Transportation Network (STN). The project's fair share contribution, financing, scheduling, implementation responsibilities and lead agency monitoring should be fully discussed for all proposed mitigation measures.

Encroachment Permit

Please be advised that any permanent work or temporary traffic control that encroaches onto Caltrans' Right of Way (ROW) requires a Caltrans-issued encroachment permit. As part of the encroachment permit submittal process, you may be asked by the Office of Encroachment Permits to submit a completed encroachment permit application package, digital set of plans clearly delineating the State ROW, digital copy of signed, dated and stamped (include stamp expiration date) traffic control plans, this comment letter, your response to the comment letter, and where applicable, the following items: new or amended Maintenance Agreement (MA), approved Design Standard Decision Document (DSDD), approved encroachment exception request, and/or airspace lease agreement. Your application package may be emailed to D4Permits@dot.ca.gov.

To download the permit application and to obtain more information on all required documentation, visit <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep/applications>.

Thank you again for including Caltrans in the environmental review process. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Yunsheng Luo at Yunsheng.Luo@dot.ca.gov. Additionally, for future notifications and requests for review of new projects, please contact LDIGR-D4@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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c: State Clearinghouse