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RE: State Water Interconnection Project Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) SCH#2018031010 GTS #07-VEN-2018-00236 Vic. VEN/ 101 PM 17.627/ 118 PM 4.16

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Dear Ms. Cooper:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the review process for the above-referenced project. The proposed project pipeline would be approximately 7 miles in length originating in the City of Ventura and traversing southerly and easterly through unincorporated Ventura County terminating in the City of Camarillo. The construction is projected to be short-term (approximately 30 months).

Based on a review of the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR), Caltrans recommends the following:

- Haul trucks, construction vehicles, oversized vehicles and/or large size truck trips should be limited to off peak commute periods to lessen traffic impacts to the truck routing areas.
- Construction/hauling vehicles transporting materials (dirt, debris, trash, etc.) on freeway/ highway need to be secured from littering.
- Consider scheduling works on the weekends and after hours to help relieve traffic congestion during work day peak hours and have workers/employees carpooling to reduce trips during peak commuting hours.

As a reminder, Caltrans standards for roadway closures and detours are no closure between 5 AM and 10 PM. In additional, Store water run-off is a sensitive issue for Los Angeles and Ventura counties. Please be mindful of your need to discharge clean run-off water and it is not permitted to discharge onto State highway facilities.

Any work to be performed within the State Right-of-Way will need an Encroachment Permit, APN 890070250 and 157-0-020-185, listed in Page 1-11 of DEIR, are located within proximity of State facilities. As the project moves forward and plans have been finalized, especially work on the two parcels will need to be reviewed by Office of Permits for possibilities of Encroachment Permit.

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Also, any transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials, which requires the use of oversized-transport vehicles on State highways, will require a Caltrans transportation permit. For information on the Permit process, please contact Caltrans District 7 Office of Permit at (213) 897-3631.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact project coordinator, Frances Lee at (213) 897-0673 or electronically at <u>frances.lee@dot.ca.gov</u> and refer to GTS#07-VEN-2018-00236.

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