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PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF THE OASIS CENTER PROJECT, ORCUTT

Dear Ms. Campbell

Thank you for the opportunity for early involvement and review of the Oasis Center project in Orcutt located near State Route 135.

After review of the August 25, 2016 Revised Traffic Analysis for the Oasis Center, we do not have any concerns regarding potential traffic impacts of the proposed project on State Route 135. We do request that the County advise the applicant that the Caltrans park-and-ride lot, located adjacent to the project site, is not to serve as overflow parking for special events or other activities held at the center. The primary purpose of the Caltrans park-and-ride lot facility is to serve regional and interregional carpooling and ridesharing needs. Additionally, as the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments 2014 *Park & Ride Study* indicates, this lot currently exceeds critical capacity and expansion is recommended in the future. It is important that the spaces at this facility be preserved for regional and interregional carpooling.

If there are additional comments upon completion of our review of the hydrology section of the study, we will send these in subsequent correspondence. We look forward to reviewing the full environmental document when it becomes available. If you have any additional questions please feel free to contact me at <a href="Melissa.streder@dot.ca.gov">Melissa.streder@dot.ca.gov</a> or 805-549-3800 or Michael Hollier at <a href="Michael.hollier@dot.ca.gov">Michael.hollier@dot.ca.gov</a> or 805-549-3131.

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