

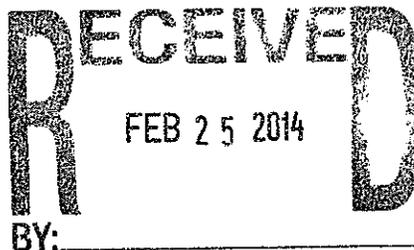
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February 24, 2014

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IGR/CEQA No. 131018AL-Revision  
Ref. IGR/CEQA No. 130635AL-Revised NOP  
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Los Angeles County General Plan Update 2035  
Vic. LA-County Wide  
SCH # 2011081042

Dear Ms. Chung:

This is a follow-up to Caltrans letter dated October 9, 2013 and after review of the revised Los Angeles County General Plan Update 2035. Caltrans offers the following comments for your consideration.

On page 93 of the Chapter 7: Mobility Element, "...Metro is currently exploring the development of a countywide congestion mitigation fee program." Caltrans would like to suggest that the sentence continues with, "to improve transportation roadways including the State facilities." Caltrans concurs that when this program is adopted by the local jurisdictions, it would impose a fee on new development that would be collected and spent locally on transportation projects that would help to ease regional congestion on the freeway and State highways. Caltrans would like the public to understand that this fee also includes State facility improvements per California Environmental Quality Act.

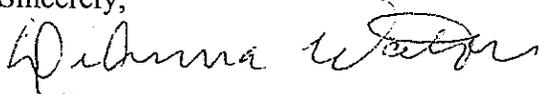
On page 98 Level of Service, "In some instances, LOS below D will be deemed acceptable in order to further other General Plan goals and policies, such as those that protect environmentally sensitive areas, promote active transportation, and encourage infill development, particularly within the County's transit oriented districts." Caltrans suggests that the following sentence be added: "For the freeway system, DPW will work with Caltrans closely to identify potential significant traffic impacts and traffic mitigations to alleviate traffic congestion within the County."

On page 110 Goal M-5 (Transportation Funding), Caltrans also suggests a revision to Policy M5.5, which would read, "Policy M 5.5: Encourage financing program, such as congestion pricing, bonding, increasing parking costs, fair share programs for each community, to

implement local and State transportation systems and facilities.”

Caltrans encourages the County to incorporate the above items to your policies in the proposed Mobility Element, and we welcome the opportunity to work with the County and provide assistance to develop an effective and efficient General Plan. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Alan Lin the project coordinator at (213) 897-8391 and refer to IGR/CEQA No. 131018AL.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dianna Watson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and "W".

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