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Angel Leon-Martell
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Inglewood, CA 90301

Subject: Morningside Project Environmental Impact; SCH# 2025061402

Dear Angel Leon-Martell,

After thorough review of the draft Environmental Impact Report for the Morningside Project, I would like to share the following concerns on behalf of the California Highway Patrol (CHP) West Los Angeles Area. For background purposes, my responsibilities include oversight of all State and County roadways within Los Angeles County, as it relates to traffic safety, congestion relief and enforcement of the California Penal Code and Vehicle Code. Our mission as an agency is to prevent and minimize the loss of life, injuries and property damage. As such, I have identified significant potential impact to public safety based on proposed projects:

Proximity and size of the "Morningside Project" to Interstate 105 and Interstate 405 freeways.

With the proposal listed above, the location of this project is in the immediate vicinity to Interstate 105 and Interstate 405 freeways, with multiple major thorough ways being directly affected. The Morningside Project boundaries are Crenshaw Boulevard on the east border to Yukon Avenue on the west border, and 104th Street on the north border to 108th Street on the south border. Such project would be expected to last several years, from start to finish, will without a doubt pose a tremendous visual hazard, reduce traffic lanes/traffic flow capabilities and impose numerous changes to the known traffic pattern in the area. Once the 571 units are built, heavy traffic conditions would continue, especially during commute hours, on all roadways leading to the Interstate 105 and Interstate 405 freeways, as well as these freeways. These heavy traffic conditions would directly impact an already congested traffic flow on these freeways. Interstate 105 freeway already experiences some of the heaviest traffic flow, which is contributed to by Los Angeles International (LAX) Airport, as well as other congestion related traffic incidents in L.A. County. Such a significant project would intensify commute times, contribute to higher collision counts and more importantly, impact the motoring public's safety.



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Additionally, the proposal would cause roadways to potentially be reduced while construction is ongoing, which would directly affect emergency services, including the California Highway Patrol while traveling on surface streets. The West Los Angeles Area is responsible for traffic related incidents in the Unincorporated Area of Los Angeles County of Lennox and Athens. The Morningside Project is situated between these two Unincorporated County “beats” which would potentially cause slower response times, contribute to higher traffic collision counts, and impact the motoring public’s safety.

Please note this feedback is only a simple overview of the CHP’s concerns, based solely on the condensed project summaries. My staff and I can provide more detailed established data if you require additional information.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to share public safety concerns. Feel free to contact my Administrative Sergeant, Sergeant Steve Esquivel, for any further information.

Sincerely,



H. J. CASTILLO, Captain
Commander