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**AMA-88-PM 15.328 Oro de
Amador Remedial Action
Plan
SCH 2025080224**

Dear Ms. Peters,

The Department of Transportation (Caltrans) appreciates the opportunity to review and provide information on the Oro de Amador Remedial Action Plan (RAP) Initial Study. The RAP was developed to evaluate potential remedial alternatives for soil impacted by arsenic and other metals at the city owned Oro de Amador property. The site is approximately 160 acres, a large portion of which was historically used for storing mine tailings from the former Kennedy Mine and for retaining waste from the processing of mine tailings at an onsite cyanide plant.

The proposed project is generally located in the center of the community of Jackson between Jackson Gate Road and New York Ranch Road on Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) 020-070-031, 020-070-037, and 020-070-040.

Caltrans, at this time has the following comments:

Environmental

If there are any construction related activities that will encroach into Caltrans Right of Way (ROW) as a result of the project, the project proponent must apply for an Encroachment Permit with the Caltrans District 10 Encroachment Permit Office. All California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) documentation, with supporting technical studies, must be submitted with the Encroachment Permit Application. These studies may include an analysis of potential impacts to any cultural sites, historic properties, biological resources, hazardous waste/materials, scenic highways, and/or other environmental resources within Caltrans Right of Way, at the project site(s).

Traffic Operations

Caltrans has no comment at this time under this Remedial Action Plan (RAP) review phase. When the RAP is approved, please submit the updated site utilization plan with proposed improvements, including traffic circulation and/or traffic impact on State Route (SR) 49 and SR 88, for review.

Encroachment Permits

If any future project activities encroach into State ROW, the project proponent must submit an application for an Encroachment Permit to the Caltrans District 10 Encroachment Permit Office. Appropriate environmental studies must be submitted with this application. These studies will include an analysis of potential impacts to any cultural sites, biological resources, hazardous waste locations, and/or other resources within State ROW at the project site(s). For more information, please visit the Caltrans Website at: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep/applications>

If you have any questions or would like to discuss these comments, please contact Ashley Cooper at (209) 670-9488 or at Ashley.Cooper@dot.ca.gov or me at (209) 639-8832 (email: gregoria.ponce@dot.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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