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RE: Mira Costa High School Field  
Renovation, Lighting Improvement,  
and Facilities Master Plan - NOP  
SCH# 2025090918  
GTS# 07-LA-2025-04912

Dear Jordan Miles,

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above-referenced project. The Manhattan Beach Unified School District is proposing replacing existing field lights at the Waller Football Stadium in the northeast quadrant of the campus; install new field lights at the West Field in the northwest quadrant of the campus; and install new field lights on the softball/baseball fields in the southwest quadrant of the campus. The project would also include the installation of two new e bike parking area, and improvements identified in the District's Mira Costa High School Facilities Master Plan, which includes demolition, new construction, modernization, and renovation of buildings and facilities on campus.

The nearest State facility is SR-1 and U.S. Highway I-405. After reviewing the Notice of Preparation (NOP), Caltrans has the following comments:

Caltrans encourages the Lead Agency to incorporate multi-modal infrastructure along and within school boundaries to meet community placemaking and safe urban design objectives. This infrastructure, encompassing ADA-compliant design, adequate

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sidewalks, high-visibility crosswalks, Class IV bike lanes, and bike parking, is crucial for establishing a fully accessible Complete Street that supports pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit riders. This includes reducing the amount of parking whenever possible, as research looking at the relationship between land-use, parking, and transportation indicates that the amount of car parking supplied can undermine a project's ability to encourage public transit and active modes of transportation. For any project to better promote public transit and reduce vehicle miles traveled, we recommend the implementation of Transportation Demand Management (TDM) strategies as an alternative to building car parking.

Caltrans recommends limiting large truck travel and construction traffic to off-peak commute hours. A permit for any heavy construction equipment and or materials that require the use of oversized transport vehicles on State highways. If construction traffic is expected to cause issues on any State facilities, please submit a construction traffic control plan detailing potential impacts for Caltrans review.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Nestor Lemus, the project coordinator, at [Nestor.Lemus@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Nestor.Lemus@dot.ca.gov) and refer to GTS # 07-LA-2025-04912.

Sincerely,



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