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City of El Paso de Robles
1000 Spring Street
Paso Robles, CA 93446

Re. HUNTER RANCH RESORT GOLF COURSE PROJECT- SCH# 2025101087

Dear City of El Paso de Robles,

The California Highway Patrol-Templeton Area has reviewed the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Hunter Ranch Resort Golf Course Project (October 2025). Based on our review, we have identified concerns related to traffic safety that may affect CHP operations during construction and after project completion.

Our concern relates to State Route 46 (SR-46), the primary link between Interstate 5 and US 101 in San Luis Obispo County. During construction, potential increased truck traffic will intersect SR-46, creating potential conflicts with existing traffic and raising the risk of collisions. After project completion, event-related traffic surges will further increase congestion, slow emergency response, and heighten crash risk. These impacts may require traffic control measures and careful scheduling of events to avoid peak periods.

Per the document (pages 9 and 11, respectively) access to the Southern Addition is planned from Mill Road, while the Northern Addition would connect directly to SR-46. Ingress and egress at these locations must be carefully evaluated to reduce intersection conflicts and ensure safe turning movements. Significant collisions upon SR-46 at these intersections, though they are within the boundary of the City of El Paso de Robles, have the potential to occlude or significantly restrict traffic flow upon SR-46 and thereby delay CHP response times beyond the city limits of El Paso de Robles.

We recommend evaluating the feasibility of a controlled intersection at SR-46 serving the golf course entrance, Mill Road, and possibly Union Road. Control may not be necessary at all three locations, but each should be scrutinized to identify where it would provide the greatest benefit, if any.

Should you have any concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at (805) 400-6720, or dgennuso@chp.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Darren Gennuso

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