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Port of Hueneme, Oxnard Harbor District  
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RE: P1 Hueneme Parking Structure Planning Project  
– Notice of Preparation (NOP)  
SCH # 2026020575  
GTS # 07-VEN-2026-00674

Dear Susim Gedam:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above-referenced environmental document. The Project proposes the construction and operation of a new aboveground vehicle parking structure at the Port. The parking structure would include a minimum of 7,500 parking spaces and serve as the transfer point between ocean-going vessels and off-port vehicle processing facilities. More specifically, the parking structure would be approximately 70 feet above ground surface have between three and six levels of parking and include sustainability features and clean technologies.

The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment. Regional access to the site is provided by State Route 1 (SR 1), State Route 34 (SR 34), and US Route 101 (US 101). Caltrans is a commenting agency on this project and has the following comments:

The project should conduct a transportation analysis to determine whether significant transportation impacts would occur. If impacts are identified, potential mitigation measures may include Transportation Demand Management (TDM) strategies (e.g., increased transit access, rideshare programs, and improved bicycle and pedestrian facilities), investments in active transportation or transit amenities, lane reassignment, and traffic signal installations or timing modifications.

Caltrans notes that Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) is the required transportation impact metric under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for land use projects. The Draft EIR should include a VMT analysis to evaluate the project's transportation impacts. Although the project site is located approximately 5 miles from the nearest State Highway System (SHS) facility, Pacific Coast Highway, the EIR should evaluate whether project-related trips could affect safety on the SHS.

In addition, we understand the proposed project is located in close proximity to the Port of Hueneme North Terminal Berth Deepening and Wharf 2 Improvement Project. Please ensure that the EIR considers evaluating these cumulative impacts to in addition to other planned or ongoing projects within the Port of Hueneme area.

The EIR should also evaluate and disclose potential transportation safety impacts at the locations shown in the attached exhibit, but not limited to these locations, and identify any necessary mitigation measures.

All construction haul vehicles accessing the State Highway System must use routes approved by Caltrans. Any transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials which requires use of oversized-transport vehicles on State highways will require a Caltrans transportation permit. We recommend large-size truck trips be limited to off-peak commute periods for the construction and operation phases. Construction truck loads should be covered with a tarpaulin cover.

The applicant shall ensure that construction-related traffic does not adversely impact the State Highway System. All temporary traffic control within or affecting state highways shall comply with the most current edition of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD) and Caltrans standards. The applicant shall ensure that public safety and mobility are maintained during construction.

Any project work proposed in the vicinity of the State Right-of-Way (ROW) would require an encroachment permit and all environmental concerns must be adequately addressed. If the environmental documentation for the project does not meet Caltrans's requirements for work done within State ROW, additional documentation would be required before approval of the encroachment permit. Please coordinate with Caltrans to meet requirements for any work within or near State ROW. For specific details for Encroachment Permits procedure, please refer to the Caltrans's Encroachment Permits Manual at:

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/traffops/developserv/permits/>

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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Joseph Jamoralin, the project coordinator, at (805) 732-8047 and refer to GTS # 07-VEN-2026-00674.

Sincerely,

*Anthony Higgins*

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Acting LDR Branch Chief

Cc: State Clearinghouse

Exhibit 1:



Location 1: State Route 34/US Route 101

Location 2: US Route 101/State Route 1

Location 3: State Route 1/State Route 34

Location 4: State Route 1/East Pleasant Valley Road/South Oxnard Boulevard

Location 5: State Route 1/Hueneme Road