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RE: Diamond Gateway Project – Notice of
Preparation
SCH # 2026040670
GTS # 07-LA-2026-05061

Dear Mckina Alexander:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above-referenced environmental document. The proposes the demolition activities and removal including 16 buildings, 45 storage tanks, and refining machinery, and associated equipment to redevelop 6 industrial buildings intended to be used for general warehousing with a combined total of approximately 3.91 million square feet (s.f.) of building floor area. Project will include 2 on-site parking lots.

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 various project sites are provided by State Route 1 (SR 1/Pacific Coast Highway), State Route 47 (SR 47), Interstate 110 (I-110), Interstate 405 (I-405), and Interstate 710 (I-710). 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, signal phasing or timing modifications to mitigate impacts from project trips. Transportation System Management (TSM) improvements may be applicable to optimize traffic flow and enhance the efficiency of existing transportation infrastructure.

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For the Draft Environmental Impact Report, please submit a VMT-based Transportation Impact Study. Please follow the Governor's Office of Planning and Research Guidance to identify VMT related impacts and include any potential mitigation measures necessary. With the enactment of Senate Bill 743 (SB 743), Caltrans is focused on maximizing efficient development patterns, innovative travel demand reduction strategies, and multimodal improvements. For more information on how Caltrans assesses VMT analysis for land use projects, please review Caltrans' Transportation Impact Study Guide to ensure a complete VMT-based Traffic Impact Study is prepared.

<https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/transportation-planning/documents/sb-743/2020-05-20-approved-vmt-focused-tisg-a11y.pdf>

Project Applicant estimates that demolition activities would occur six days per week for approximately 12 months. Construction would take place in a single phase estimated to last approximately 2.5 years or multiple phases estimated to last up to approximately 5.5 years. Construction activities would occur on the Project Site six days per week.

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 operations on 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.

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-LA-2026-05061.

Sincerely,



Anthony Higgins
Acting LDR Branch Chief

Cc: State Clearinghouse