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RE: MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE TRUCKEE REGIONAL
LIBRARY DATED JULY 30, 2026, STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER [2026071190](#)

Dear Joshua White,

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has reviewed the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Truckee Regional Library (Project). The proposed Project consists of the construction of an approximately 20,100-square-foot, single-story public library; with outdoor community programming areas, including patios, gathering spaces, and a children's outdoor reading and play area; approximately 37 parking spaces; utility infrastructure; and circulation improvements for vehicles, pedestrians, and bicycles. The Project will realign a segment of the Truckee River Legacy Trail and convert the Brockway Road/Palisades Drive intersection from the existing three-legged intersection to a four-legged intersection to provide direct access to the Project site.

As discussed in the MND, the Project borders on or in close vicinity to a Certified / Operation and Maintenance/ Land Use Restriction site, [Truckee Regional Park](#) (APN 019-450-076, 019-450-077), wherein DTSC has regulatory oversight.

Specifically, APN 019-450-077 shares a border with APN 019-450-080 (Project Site). DTSC recommends and requests consideration of the following comments:

1. The asphalt cap area in APN 019-450-080 should not be damaged by heavy equipment, and no temporary parking of heavy equipment should be allowed at the capped area.
2. Ensure that any additional rainwater is not diverted to the existing drainage system at the Truckee Regional Park site. The system was constructed to protect the slope from erosion so that the waste contained under the cap can be maintained properly. DTSC recommends further coordination with the Department in the event that the proposed Project may impact on any of the areas that may fall under DTSC's oversight. DTSC may provide additional comments on future environmental documents as further information becomes available.

DTSC appreciates the opportunity to comment on the MND for the Truckee Regional Library. Thank you for your assistance in protecting California's people and environment from the harmful effects of toxic substances. If you have any questions or would like clarification on DTSC's comments, please respond to this letter or via the [CEQA Review email](#) for additional guidance.

Sincerely,



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