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REQUEST FOR AN EXCEPTION TO A ROAD STANDARD-(PDS2013-MUP-81-098W1)

Dear Mr. Darnell:

The Department of Planning & Development Services (PDS) has reviewed the Design Exception Request to a San Diego County (County) Public Road Standard dated December 28, 2015. The request is to use the minimum required AASHTO stopping sight distance instead of corner sight distance for eastbound approach traffic (looking west) for the existing driveway at the project location. The existing corner sight distance for westbound approach traffic (looking east) exceeds the minimum required intersectional sight distance per County Public Road Standards and is not subject to this request. For eastbound approach traffic (looking west), the existing corner sight distance is 430 feet which is less than the required minimum intersectional sight distance of 490 feet based on a design speed of forty-nine miles per hour (49 MPH). However, the existing intersectional sight distance for eastbound approach traffic (looking west) exceeds the minimum required AASHTO Stopping Sight Distance as well as the California Highway Design Manual Stopping Sight Distance of 410 feet and 416 feet, respectively.

PDS is able to support your request for this design exception to a Public Road Standard. The request was reviewed and supported by the County Traffic Engineer. It has been determined your request for modification will not adversely affect the safety and flow of traffic in this area.

If you have any questions or need additional information related to this request, please contact Ken Brazell at (858) 694-2728, or at the following e-mail address: Kenneth.Brazell@sdcounty.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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