I-140 Patricia Fox

I-140-1 The County acknowledges the comment letter, and notes it expresses general opposition for the project, but does not raise any issue concerning the adequacy of the Draft EIR. For that reason, the County provides no further response to this comment.

I-140-2 The comment expresses concern over wildfire hazards and evacuation. Potential impacts as a result of wildfires have been adequately analyzed and disclosed in the Draft EIR in Section 2.8 Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Appendix N1 Fire Protection Plan, and Appendix N2 Evacuation Plan. Also see Topical Response HAZ-1. The County will include the comment as part of the Final EIR for review and consideration by the decision-makers prior to a final decision on the project. No further response is required or necessary.

I-140-3 The comment states that Newland Sierra falsified the likelihood of improved/enlarged roads to minimize danger during evacuation. The comment also provides a link to a Caltrans letter. The County acknowledges the comment and notes it expresses the opinions of the commenter, and does not raise an issue related to the adequacy of any specific section or analysis of the Draft EIR. The County will include the comment as part of the Final EIR for review and consideration by the decision-makers prior to a final decision on the project. No further response is required or necessary.

I-140-4 The comment states that droughts continue to be likely and the addition of the project will increase likelihood of water shortage. See Topical Response UTL-1. The County will include the comment as part of the Final EIR for review and consideration by the decision-makers prior to a final decision on the project. No further response is required or necessary.

I-140-5 The comment states “Silicosis from the blasting of granite and the resulting dust being carried by the prevailing winds.” See Topical Response AQ-1. The County will include the comment as part of the Final EIR for review and consideration by the decision-makers prior to a final decision on the project. No further response is required or necessary.

I-140-6 The comment asks that the County please consider the impact of these hazards on local residences. The County agrees with this comment. The County will include the comment as part of the Final EIR for review and consideration by the decision-makers prior to a final decision on the project. No further response is required or necessary.
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