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- I-145-1** The comment states that they are pleased with the proposed bike lanes to accommodate riders on Deer Springs Road and that even with a dedicated bike lane, there needs to be additional buffer space between cars and bicyclists. The comment further states that the development of bike lanes and bike safety should not come in piecemeal.

As stated in Section 1.0 Project Description, on page 1-9, “the loop road is primarily designed with a width of 32 feet and would include striped bike lanes and a 10-foot-wide multi-use pathway along its entire length. The bike lanes and multi-use pathway would connect to bike routes and a 10-foot-wide multi-use pathway along Deer Springs Road.” As stated in Section 2.13, Transportation and Traffic, on page 2.13-82, “the project’s proposed improvements to Deer Springs Road and Twin Oaks Valley Road include a 10-foot-wide multi-use pathway and dedicated bicycle lanes that would connect directly to the project’s internal network of pathways and trails, and the bicycle lanes on Sarver Lane and Mesa Rock Road as well as to the existing multi-use pathway and bicycle path along Twin Oaks Valley Road heading into the City of San Marcos. Compared to existing conditions where facilities do not exist or only partially exist, these pedestrian and bicycle improvements would create safer conditions for these two alternative forms of travel along the project’s off-Site road improvements.” Furthermore, as stated on page 2.13-85, “the project would include approximately 3.7 miles of bicycle lanes.” 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.

- I-145-2** The comment asks that other bike amenities be included in the project, such as, bike racks and storage or any sort of bicycle sharing program. The comment also states that they look forward to seeing the project come to fruition.

As stated in Section 1.0 Project Description on page 1-12 under PDF-3, “Provide bicycle racks along main travel corridors, adjacent to commercial developments, at public parks and open spaces, and at retail and multi-family buildings within the project Site.” Additionally, as stated on page 1-9, “An electric bike share program would be included to further link the neighborhoods to one another and reduce internal vehicle trips. The electric bike share program would include the placement of a kiosk in close proximity to each planning area to allow electric bikes to be taken from one kiosk and left at another, encouraging sustainable transportation between planning areas within the project (see Figure 1-24 for proposed locations). The program includes the placement of eight kiosks throughout the Community, with 10 to 20 electric bikes at each kiosk”

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