I-17 Susan Arneson (2)

I-17-1 The comment states the following comments are related to traffic and evacuation. The County acknowledges the comment as an introduction to comments that follow. Please see Topical Responses TR-1, TR-2, TR-3, and HAZ-1. This comment is included in 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-17-2 The County notes the comment provides factual background information and does not raise an environmental issue within the meaning of CEQA. 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 because the comment does not raise an environmental issue.

I-17-3 The County notes the comment provides factual background information 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 because the comment does not raise an environmental issue.

I-17-4 The comment asks how the project will mitigate its impact on Buena Creek Road. As addressed on page 2.13-3 in Section 2.13, Transportation and Traffic, the project proposes to widen Twin Oaks Valley Road from its intersection with Deer Springs Road to its intersection with Buena Creek Road to City of San Marcos’ Four-Lane Major Arterial standards. The project also proposes intersection improvements along Buena Creek Road, including the Buena Creek Road/Twin Oaks Valley Road intersection (in the City of San Marcos), the Buena Creek Road/Monte Vista Drive intersection, and the Buena Creek Road/S. Santa Fe Avenue intersection, to mitigate both direct and cumulative impacts to these intersections and corresponding segments. As it relates to the Buena Creek Road/Monte Vista Drive intersection, in response to the Twin Oaks Valley Sponsor Group’s request that the County consider a roundabout at this intersection, this EIR identifies two mitigation options for this intersection, a conventional signalized intersection and a roundabout. Both mitigation options mitigate the project’s impacts to less than significant. Please also see Topical Response TR-3.

I-17-5 The comment states that if there is no solution to the current traffic gridlock an impossible evacuation plan. The commenter asks how the addition of project generated traffic will make for a safe environment. The commenter is referred to 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.
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