I-248 Norma Leibold

I-248-1 The commenter explains that she is a resident of the Deer Springs Mobile Home Park located across from the Mesa Rock Road and Deer Springs Road intersection, which is no more than 50 feet from the Project entrance.

The County acknowledges the comment as an introduction to comments that follow. 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-248-2 The comment expresses concerns about impacts to wildlife, traffic infrastructure, and water resources. The comment states that the project would employ dangerous chemicals and explosive materials.

Potential impacts to biological resources, including wildlife, received extensive analysis in the Draft EIR, specifically in Section 2.4 Biological Resources. Additionally, traffic impacts, water resources, and hazards and hazardous materials were analyzed in Sections 2.13, Transportation and Traffic, 2.14, Utilities and Service Systems, and 2.8 Hazards and Hazardous Materials, of the Draft EIR, respectively. The comment does not raise any specific issue regarding that analysis and, therefore, no more specific response can be provided or is required. 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-248-3 The comment states that the project would increase disturbing air quality factors which would breach the normality of the commenter’s life and surroundings, which the commenter is unable to prevent due to her physical limitations.

Potential air quality impacts received extensive analysis in the Draft EIR, specifically in Section 2.3 Air Quality. The comment does not raise any specific issue regarding that analysis and, therefore, no more specific response can be provided or is required. 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-248-4 The comment states that the Project shows a lack of remorse and accountability for the wildlife population that now exists. The commenter explains that Orioles have recently been seen in the Project area, and that wildlife have been forced to change their patterns of movement due to development in the area.

Potential impacts to biological resources, including wildlife, received extensive analysis in the Draft EIR, specifically in Section 2.4 Biological Resources. The comment does not raise any specific issue regarding that analysis and, therefore, no
more specific response can be provided or is required. 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-248-5  The comment states that the amount of congestion and increased traffic would be insurmountable as compared to what is occurring now. The comment states that this would include heavy mechanized vehicles, land movers, tankers, and bulldozers that would have to inundate the surrounding planned area for many years.

Potential traffic impacts received extensive analysis in the Draft EIR, specifically in Section 2.13 Transportation and Traffic. The comment does not raise any specific issue regarding that analysis and, therefore, no more specific response can be provided or is required. 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-248-6  The comment states “Increasing the traffic to almost 10 fold for commuter traffic!”

It is unclear specifically which roadway segment the commenter is referring to. However, the proposed project would not increase the volume of traffic for any roadway segment by 10 fold for the existing plus project or the cumulative plus project scenarios.

I-248-7  The comment states that the Project’s expansion of Deer Springs Road would result in air quality issues.

Potential air quality impacts, received extensive analysis in the Draft EIR, specifically in Section 2.3 Air Quality. The comment does not raise any specific issue regarding that analysis and, therefore, no more specific response can be provided or is required. 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-248-8  The comment states that I-15 corridor was implemented to provide an alternative to the I-5 freeway. The comment states that the Project would involve the expansion of Deer Springs Road to a 4 lane highway, which would accommodate additional traffic. The comment states that this would result in more traffic build up at the SR 78.

Section 2.13, Transportation and Traffic of the Draft EIR, determined that the Project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts to the I-15 Mainline from Old Highway 395 to Pomerado Road and SR 78 Mainline from Mar Vista Road to Sycamore Avenue. The comment does not raise any specific issue regarding that analysis and, therefore, no more specific response can be provided or is required. The
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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-248-9 The comment states that the Project would increase noise, traffic, and lower the quality of life for the area surrounding the Project site. The comment provides a summary of the Project and then states that implementing a wall between DSO Park and Deer Springs Road would inhibit the natural surroundings for those that travel in the area.

The Noise Technical Report for the Draft EIR (Appendix Q) provides recommendations for the use of sound attenuating walls when necessary (where such features are proposed, visual relief would be provided by proposed landscaping), incorporates the noise standards of the City of San Marcos, used the traffic analysis, and assessed potential noise impacts from project development. The project would be consistent with Policies N-1.3 through N-1.5, of the County of San Diego General Plan. Specifically, Policy N-1.3 of the General Plan requires the following:

- **Policy N-1.3, Sound Walls.** Discourage the use of noise walls. In areas where the use of noise walls cannot be avoided, evaluate and require where feasible, a combination of walls and earthen berms and require the use of vegetation or other visual screening methods to soften the visual appearance of the wall.

The comment does not raise any specific issue regarding that analysis and, therefore, no more specific response can be provided or is required. 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-248-10 The commenter explains that she has seen more semi-trucks using the northern portion of Mesa Rock Road next to the A&P filling station as a truck stop. The comment states that the Project would result in more vehicles crowding Mesa Rock Road. The comment states that the Project would result in travelers stopping and camping in the area, which would create more congestion for DSO Park and the Deer Springs No.2 Fire Department exit and access.

Section 2.13, Transportation and Traffic of the Draft EIR, determined that the Project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts to Deer Springs Road from Mesa Rock Road to I-15 SB Ramps, Deer Springs Road from Sarver Lane and Mesa Rock Road and a less than significant impact to the Deer Springs Road/Mesa Rock Road Intersection. While it is true that the Project would result in additional traffic on Mesa Rock Road, it is not clear how the commenter concludes that the Project would result in additional travelers stopping and camping in the area.

The comment does not raise any specific issue regarding that analysis and, therefore, no more specific response can be provided or is required. The County will include the
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comment as part of the Final EIR for review and consideration by the decision-makers prior to a final decision on the project.

I-248-11 The comment states that the area is being pushed to the brink and that the Project would cause more harm for everyone involved in the community. The commenter requests that the Project be rejected and requests that the County does what is necessary to remove the Project or any other project of similar nature to continue in this area.

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-248-11 The commenter thanks the County for the opportunity to voice her concerns about the Project.

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.