

### I-270 Jean and John McClune

- I-270-1** The comment states the project is inconsistent with the General Plan. The project proposes a General Plan Amendment as described in Section 1.0, Project Description, to change the land uses, zoning and regional categories on portions of the project site. The project's compliance with the General Plan is addressed throughout the Draft EIR, including in Section 3.3, Land Use, specifically Section 3.3.3.2, Conflicts with Plans, Policies and Regulations. Further, Appendix DD, Land Use Consistency Table, analyzes the project's compliance with the General Plan Guiding Principles, Goals, Objectives and Policies.
- I-270-2** The comment states the project will impact I-15 and cause LOS F. The County does not concur with this comment. Please see **Topical Response TR-1**. The traffic generated by the Newland Sierra project does not cause the level of service on I-15 to change to LOS F.
- I-270-3** The comment states the project is in an already burdened area which does not provide enough emergency access routes. The commenter also expresses concern they live in a Very High Fire Hazard Zone. Please see **Topical Response HAZ-1**.
- I-270-4** The comment expresses concerns regarding the ten year construction schedule that includes on-site blasting and rock crushing. The comment expresses concerns about impacts to health issues and property in Champagne Village. Please see **Topical Response AQ-1, and AQ-2**.
- I-270-5** The comment states the project would sever regional wildlife corridors and impact local wildlife, and that off-site mitigation does not benefit local wildlife. The County does not agree for the following reasons.

First, with respect to the project impacts on wildlife corridors and corresponding impacts to local wildlife, please see **Topical Response BIO-2**.

Second, with respect to mitigation for impacts to "local wildlife," Section 2.4.15 of the Draft EIR includes mitigation measure M-BIO-8A. This mitigation measure requires the preservation of approximately 1,420.9 acres of native habitats, including conservation of 1,209 acres of open space on-site, in addition to the off-site mitigation. Mitigation measure M-BIO-8B requires the granting of a biological open space easement over this area, "for the protection of biological resources." M-BIO-8D requires the preparation of a Resources Management Plan to fund the permanent management of the biological open space. Section 2.4.15 of the Draft EIR includes 12 additional mitigation measures specific to potentially significant on-site impacts to biological resources. Section 2.4.16 concludes that with implementation of mitigation measures M-BIO-1 through M-BIO-13, all potentially significant impacts to biological resources, including impacts to "local wildlife," would be reduced to less than significant.

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