I-323 John Raymond

I-323-1 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-323-2 The comment notes the County previously denied another project on the project Site and subsequently adopted a General Plan directed where new growth should occur. The County notes the comment provides background information and does not raise an environmental issue within the meaning of CEQA. The County refers the commenter to Topical Response LU-1. It should be noted that project’s consistency with the General Plan is addressed throughout the DEIR, including in Section 3.3, Land Use and Planning. The DEIR also compares the impacts of the proposed project against an Existing General Plan Alternative in Section 4.5. Section 4.5.5 concludes the Existing General Plan Alternative would result in greater significant impacts compared to the proposed project in the following areas:

- Transportation and Traffic
- Aesthetics
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Mineral Resources

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 concerning the adequacy of the Draft EIR.

I-323-3 The comment states the proposed Project is located within an area designated as Pre-Approved Mitigation Area in the North County MSCP and that implementation of the project would sever wildlife corridors. Please see Topical Response BIO-1. No further response is required.

I-323-4 The comment questions from where the proposed project will receive water and notes that water rates are increasing. Relative to the provision of water supply, the project Site is within the boundaries of the Vallecitos Water District. DEIR Section 2.14.1, Water Supply and Service analyzes the projects potential impacts to water supply and concludes the project would have a less than significant impact. Nonetheless, Section 2.14.1 also includes mitigation measures M-ULT-1 through M-ULT-4 to ensure that
impacts remain less than significant. Please also see Topical Response UTL-1 and UTL-2.

With respect to the potential impact to ratepayers, this comment raises economic, issues that do not appear to relate to any physical effect on the environment. No further response is required.

I-323-5 The comment notes traffic on I-15 would be worsened by the proposed project. Please see Topical Response toTR-1. No further response is required.

I-323-6 The County acknowledges the comment and notes it provides concluding remarks that do not raise new or additional environmental issues concerning the adequacy of the Draft EIR. For that reason, the County provides no further response to this comment.