

I-325 Robert and Kim Riha

- I -325-1** The commenters explain that they are residents of Hidden Meadows and they oppose the Project. The commenters explain that the current General Plan does not support the Project.

Please refer to **Topical Response LU 1**. 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 -325-2** The comment states that the Traffic Impact Analysis of the Draft EIR indicates that the Project and alternatives require the I-15/Deer Springs Road Interchange to be improved to meet the ADT for the intersection. The comment states that the Traffic Impact Analysis should be updated to include the proposed developments along the I-15 corridor north of Deer Springs Road, including DR Hortons Horse Creek Ridge Project.

Traffic impacts and proposed improvements are disclosed in Section 2.13 Traffic and Transportation. There are a number of roadway, interchange, and signal improvements that are included as part of the proposed project. Please refer to Chapter 1, Project Description, Table 1-10 Cumulative Projects, which were also considered in Section 2.13 Traffic and Transportation. The D.R. Horton residential project was included in Table 1-10 Cumulative Projects.

- I -325-3** The comment states that the Traffic Impact Analysis of the Draft EIR indicates that the I-15 and Deer Springs Road is currently deficient and does not support current traffic conditions. The commenters explain that they pass through the intersection daily and have witnessed the congestion and confusion, especially when school is in session at Cal State San Marcos.

This comment is general in nature and does not raise any specific issue regarding any particular analysis in the DEIR. Therefore, no specific response can be provided or is required. (*Paulek v. California Dept. Water Resources* (2014) 231 Cal.App.4th 35, 47 [a general response is all that is required to a general comment]). This comment is included in the Final EIR for review and consideration by the decision-makers prior to a final decision on the project.

- I -325-4** The comment states that the County's current General Plan does not support the Project. The comment state that if the County is to approve the amendment to the General Plan, they must require a full width widening of Deer Springs Road from I-

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15 to Buena Vista Road along with the I-15 interchange design and construction, as a condition of approval. The comment states that both the I-15 and Deer Springs Road are deficient and a delay associated with Project occupancy is not warranted.

Please refer to **Topical Response LU 1**. The County acknowledges the comment and notes it expresses the opinions of the commentator, 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 -325-5** The comment states that the Draft EIR does not address safety and emergency evacuation of the area and the Deer Springs Fire Council declares the current emergency evacuation of Hidden Meadows and adjoining communities a dire situation. The comment states that the addition of the Project would create an impossible emergency evacuation situation for the area.

Potential impacts associated with fire hazards and evacuations have been adequately analyzed in the Draft EIR, Section 2.8 Hazards and Hazardous Materials as well as, Appendix N, Fire Protection Plan and Evacuation Plan. Mitigation has been provided when necessary to avoid or lessen potentially significant impacts. Refer to **Topical Response HAZ-1**.