I-345 Andrea Seavey

I-345-1 The comment states the commenter has tried to prevent “what I saw happen to the Los Angeles area 77 years” and recounts a recent trip to the project Site. The comment states “this is where they will build the one entrance/exit road to the proposed…development – already a very busy intersection they expect will go from 2 lanes to 6.” The County acknowledges the comment and notes it 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.

Nonetheless, the County notes that the proposed Project includes three entrances, one at Mesa Rock Road, one at Sarver Lane, and one at Camino Mayor. The County further directs the reader to Section 2.13, Transportation and Traffic, of the DEIR and notes that the proposed Project only widens Deer Springs Road to four lanes. No further response is required or necessary.

I-345-2 The comment states that based on “years of observation,” of brush fires that “hundreds of people will be trapped in this development.”

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.

Nonetheless, the County directs the commenter to Section 2.8.3.1 (Wildfire Hazards) and 2.8.3.3 (Emergency Evacuation Plans) of the Draft EIR, as well as Appendix N-1 and N-2. The County notes that impacts were determined to be less than significant with incorporation of recommended mitigation measures.

I-345-3 The comment recounts a visit to the Deer Springs fire station and notes that the fire fighters “found it interesting” there would “only be one access road: The County does not concur with this comment. Please refer to the above responses. In addition, the County notes that the Deer Springs Fire Protection District has reviewed and approved the Newland Sierra Fire Protection Plan, as well as a Fire Services Agreement between the project Applicant and the District. The comment does not raise any specific issue regarding the 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.
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