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Date: Wednesday, September 20, 2017 1:50:59 PM

Maggie Soffel

Subject:

Department of Planning and Development Services:

510 Overland Ave, Suite 110

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RE: Climate Action Plan, General Plan Amendment and Draft SEIR

Dear Ms. Soffel:

While I support some aspects of the draft Climate Action Plan, I ask that the County add a strong component to reduce the

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vehicle miles traveled – and thus greenhouse gas emissions – generated from newly planned residential development. The

plan should not facilitate far-flung sprawl that undermines the region's efforts to become a carbon-efficient economy. Rather, it is incumbent upon the County to use its land use authority to put in place sustainable patterns of development near jobs and transit, as called for by the State of California. Thank you for considering my views.

Sincerely,

MaryEllen Garcia, Ph.D.

Santa Margarita Group of the Sierra Club

**Response to Comment Letter I58** 

MaryEllen Garcia, Ph.D. September 20, 2017

The comment requests the County add a component to reduce VMT from newly planned residential development. Please see Master Response 6 related to the transportation GHG reduction measures.