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February 3, 2015

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Mr. John Swiecki Brisbane Community Development Department 50 Park Place Brisbane, CA 94005

Dear Mr. Swiecki:

## 2015 – 2022 Housing Element (General Plan Amendment GPA-1-14) – Negative Declaration

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above project. The following comments are based on the Negative Declaration (ND).

As lead agency, the City of Brisbane (City) is responsible for all project mitigation, including any needed improvements to state highways:

1. *Mitigation Measures* - Page 1 of the ND states the City will be rezoning two of the 81 proposed programs from the 2007 – 2014 Housing Element thereby increasing the potential dwelling unit count by 293. We look forward to working with the City in reviewing future development projects to determine any potential impacts to the State Highway System and the appropriate mitigation measures to reduce these impacts, particularly cumulative impacts, to insignificant levels.

The San Mateo County Transportation Authority, New Meaure A Program, Short-range Highway Plan (2011-2021) and the Measure A Highway Program, Project Funding List, are two resources to refer to for a list of potential highway projects needing funding that could possibly act to mitigate impacts from the City's future development projects. See the following website links for more information:

http://www.smcta.com/Assets/SMCTA/Documents/Short+Range+Highway+Plan+2011-2021.pdf.

http://www.smcta.com/Assets/\_Planning/Call+for+Projects/Highway+2012/Final+Highway+Project+List+2012.pdf.

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2. Traffic Impact Fees - Please identify traffic impact fees. Development plans should require traffic impact fees based on projected traffic and/or based on associated cost estimates for public transportation facilities necessitated by development. Please refer to the California Office of Planning and Research (OPR) 2003 General Plan Guidelines, page 163, which can be accessed on-line at the following website: http://www.opr.ca.gov/index.php?a=planning/gpg.html

Scheduling and costs associated with planned improvements on the Caltrans right of way (ROW) should be listed, in addition to identifying viable funding sources correlated to the pace of improvements for roadway improvements, if any. Please refer to the state OPR's 2003 General Plan Guidelines, page 106. See the following website link for more information: http://www/hq/traffops/permits/.

## **Encroachment Permit**

Please be advised that any work or traffic control that encroaches onto the state (ROW) requires an encroachment permit that is issued by Caltrans. To apply, a completed encroachment permit application, environmental documentation, and five (5) sets of plans clearly indicating the state ROW must be submitted to: Office of Permits, California Department of Transportation, District 4, P.O. Box 23660, Oakland, CA 94623-0660. Traffic-related mitigation measures should be incorporated into the construction plans during the encroachment permit process. See the following website link for more information: http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/traffops/developserv/permits/.

Please feel free to call or email Sandra Finegan at (510) 622-1644 or sandra\_finegan@dot.ca.gov with any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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