

# COMMENT LETTERS ON THE INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

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Copies of the submitted written comment letters can be found in Appendix A

## Public Agencies

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| A. | Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority         | July 9, 2018  |
| B. | County of Santa Clara Roads and Airports Department | July 16, 2018 |

### **A. RESPONSES TO COMMENTS FROM THE SANTA CLARA VALLEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, DATED JULY 9, 2018**

**COMMENT A-1:** Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) staff have reviewed the Initial Study for a 47-space parking area on a 0.53 site along McCellan Road, adjacent to McClellan Ranch Preserve. We have the following comments.

The Transit Services section of the Initial Study incorrectly states that a VTA bus stop is located adjacent to the project site. There are no VTA bus stops located near the project site.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. If you have any questions, please call me at (408) 321-5784.

**RESPONSE A-1:** The text on page 73 of the Initial Study has been revised to state that there are no VTA bus stops in the project area (refer to *Revisions to the Text of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration*, below). The revision does not affect the findings in the Initial Study; therefore, no further revisions are necessary.

### **B. RESPONSES TO COMMENTS FROM THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA ROADS AND AIRPORTS DEPARTMENT, DATED JULY 16, 2018**

**COMMENT B-1:** Please accept the County Roads and Airports comments for the McClellan Ranch West Parking Area regarding the traffic analysis.

The County of Santa Clara Roads and Airports Department appreciates the opportunity to review the Mitigated Negative Declaration for McClellan Ranch West Parking Area and is submitting the following comments:

1. Please provide in the Initial Study the mentioned Sight Distance Analysis in Appendix C, which was prepared by Hexagon with the Memorandum dated June 20, 2016, in order to complete the review and comment process. Please inform the County on the status of this report and the subject driveway.

**RESPONSE B-1:** The City provided the requested information to Ellen Talbo on July 24, 2018.

**COMMENT B-2:** 2. What is the typical number using the overflow parking lot during weekends and special events?

**RESPONSE B-2:** Existing use of the overflow parking lot varies. The project proposes to construct a 47-space parking area on the site, including a 27-space main parking area and an approximately 20-space overflow parking area.

**COMMENT B-3:** 3. Please provide a Traffic Control Plan (TCP) for review during encroachment permit process if County roads will be used as part of construction activities. TCP should include info such as truck routes, truck weights, lane closures, construction hours.

If you have any questions or concerns about these comments, please contact me at (408) 573-2482 or [ellen.talbo@rda.sccgov.org](mailto:ellen.talbo@rda.sccgov.org).

**RESPONSE B-3:** The County will be provided a Traffic Control Plan for review, if County roads will be used as part of construction activities.

## **REVISIONS TO THE TEXT OF THE INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

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The following section contains text revisions to the *McClellan Ranch West Parking Lot Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration*, dated June 2018.

Added text is underlined and deleted text is ~~strikethrough~~.

Page 73: **REVISE** *Section 4.6.12, Existing Conditions*, as shown.

### **Transit Service**

Transit service in the ~~project area~~ City of Cupertino includes local bus service provided by the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA). ~~Local bus routes 53 and 55 provide service to the project site. The VTA bus stop is located on McClellan Road, adjacent to the project site. There are no VTA bus stops located near the project site.~~

# **APPENDIX A**

## **Comment Letters**



EDMUND G. BROWN JR.  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE *of* PLANNING AND RESEARCH



KEN ALEX  
DIRECTOR

July 10, 2018

Alex Acenas  
City of Cupertino  
10300 Torre Avenue  
Cupertino, CA 95014

Subject: McClellan Ranch Parking Area  
SCH#: 2018062007

Dear Alex Acenas:

The State Clearinghouse submitted the above named Mitigated Negative Declaration to selected state agencies for review. The review period closed on July 9, 2018, and no state agencies submitted comments by that date. This letter acknowledges that you have complied with the State Clearinghouse review requirements for draft environmental documents, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Please call the State Clearinghouse at (916) 445-0613 if you have any questions regarding the environmental review process. If you have a question about the above-named project, please refer to the ten-digit State Clearinghouse number when contacting this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Morgan".

Scott Morgan  
Director, State Clearinghouse

**Document Details Report  
State Clearinghouse Data Base**

**SCH#** 2018062007  
**Project Title** McClellan Ranch Parking Area  
**Lead Agency** Cupertino, City of

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**Type** MND Mitigated Negative Declaration

**Description** The project proposes to construct a 47-space parking area, including a 27-space main parking area and an approx 20-space overflow parking area, on an approx 1.4-acre site that is currently used as an overflow parking area for activities at the McClellan Ranch Preserve. The main parking area would be paved with permeable concrete and the overflow parking area would be covered with gravel. The main and overflow parking areas would be constructed on approx 0.53 acres of the 1.4-acre project site with the remaining areas dedicated for restoration planting. The main parking area would be open daily to staff and visitors to accommodate normal public hours for the creek corridor and the Preserve. The existing driveway onto McClellan Rd would provide access to the project site.

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**Lead Agency Contact**

<b>Name</b>	Alex Acenas		
<b>Agency</b>	City of Cupertino		
<b>Phone</b>	408-777-3232	<b>Fax</b>	
<b>email</b>			
<b>Address</b>	10300 Torre Avenue		
<b>City</b>	Cupertino	<b>State</b> CA	<b>Zip</b> 95014

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**Project Location**

<b>County</b>	Santa Clara			
<b>City</b>	Cupertino			
<b>Region</b>				
<b>Lat / Long</b>	37° 18' 48.8" N / 122° 03' 53.2" W			
<b>Cross Streets</b>	McClellan Rd			
<b>Parcel No.</b>	357-06-014			
<b>Township</b>		<b>Range</b>	<b>Section</b>	<b>Base</b>

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**Proximity to:**

<b>Highways</b>	SR 85
<b>Airports</b>	
<b>Railways</b>	
<b>Waterways</b>	Stevens Creek
<b>Schools</b>	Monta Vista HS
<b>Land Use</b>	presently vacant, undeveloped parcel used for overflow parking; Z: Parks and rec/parks and open space

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**Project Issues** Aesthetic/Visual; Agricultural Land; Air Quality; Archaeologic-Historic; Biological Resources; Cumulative Effects; Drainage/Absorption; Flood Plain/Flooding; Forest Land/Fire Hazard; Geologic/Seismic; Growth Inducing; Landuse; Minerals; Noise; Population/Housing Balance; Public Services; Recreation/Parks; Schools/Universities; Septic System; Sewer Capacity; Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading; Solid Waste; Toxic/Hazardous; Traffic/Circulation; Vegetation; Water Quality; Water Supply; Wetland/Riparian

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**Reviewing Agencies** Resources Agency; Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 3; Department of Parks and Recreation; Department of Water Resources; California Highway Patrol; Caltrans, District 4; Regional Water Quality Control Board, Region 2; Native American Heritage Commission

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<b>Date Received</b>	06/08/2018	<b>Start of Review</b>	06/08/2018	<b>End of Review</b>	07/09/2018
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July 9, 2018

City of Cupertino  
Public Works Department  
10300 Torre Avenue  
Cupertino, CA 95014

Attention: Alex Acenas

Subject: McClellan Ranch West Parking Area

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Molseed', is written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

Roy Molseed  
Senior Environmental Planner

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## MTA DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROGRAM CONTACT LIST

Last Updated: 12/8/2017

**PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT:** As part of the MTA Congestion Management Program (CMP), the MTA Development Review Program provides the review of Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA) notifications and reports for proposed projects and plans required to conform with CMP requirements. MTA also reviews California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) environmental documents, site plans, and other miscellaneous referrals provided to MTA by other agencies. This document identifies the appropriate MTA points of contact for referrals and special topics.

### REFERRAL ROUTING

Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA) Reports and Notification Forms		Environmental (CEQA) Documents, Site Plans, other miscellaneous referrals
Brent Pearce <a href="mailto:Brent.Pearse@vta.org">Brent.Pearse@vta.org</a> 408.546.7985	Eugene Maeda <a href="mailto:Eugene.Maeda@vta.org">Eugene.Maeda@vta.org</a> 408.952.4298	Roy Molseed <a href="mailto:Roy.Molseed@vta.org">Roy.Molseed@vta.org</a> 408.321.5784
Please email (preferred) electronic development referrals to the above. Hardcopy documents may be sent to: [Name of recipient(s) as detailed above, depending on type of document] Planning & Programming Division, 3331 North First Street, Building B-2, San Jose, CA 95134-1906		

### MTA CONTACTS – SPECIAL TOPICS

General Questions - MTA Comments Roy Molseed <a href="mailto:Roy.Molseed@vta.org">Roy.Molseed@vta.org</a> 408.321.5784	Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA) Guidelines Brent Pearce <a href="mailto:Brent.Pearse@vta.org">Brent.Pearse@vta.org</a> 408.546.7985	Auto LOS Methodology - MTA Highway Projects & Freeway Ramp Metering Shanthi Chatradhi <a href="mailto:Shanthi.Chatradhi@vta.org">Shanthi.Chatradhi@vta.org</a> 408.952.4224
MTA Permits (Construction Access Permit, Restricted Access Permit) Victoria King-Dethlefs <a href="mailto:Victoria.King-Dethlefs@vta.org">Victoria.King-Dethlefs@vta.org</a> 408.321.5824  Cheryl D. Gonzales <a href="mailto:Cheryl.gonzales@vta.org">Cheryl.gonzales@vta.org</a> 408.546.7608	Bicycle & Pedestrian Projects Lauren Ledbetter <a href="mailto:Lauren.Ledbetter@vta.org">Lauren.Ledbetter@vta.org</a> 408.321.5716	Vehicle-Miles-Traveled (VMT) Analysis Robert Swierk <a href="mailto:Robert.Swierk@vta.org">Robert.Swierk@vta.org</a> 408.321.5949
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**From:** Talbo, Ellen [mailto:Ellen.Talbo@rda.sccgov.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 16, 2018 6:25 PM  
**To:** Alex Acenas <AlexA@cupertino.org>  
**Subject:** Comments to MND for McClellan Ranch West Parking Area

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Thank you greatly,  
Ellen Talbo  
County Transportation Planner  
(408) 573-2482