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Transmitted via email to CEQA@saccounty.net on June 24, 2021

Sacramento County, Office of Planning and Environmental Review Attention: Todd Smith, Principal Planner 827 7th Street, Room 225, Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Comments on the Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Jackson Township Specific Plan

Dear Mr. Smith,

The Sacramento Environmental Commission (SEC), at its June 21, 2021 meeting, met to discuss multiple topics presented in the DEIR. As a result of this discussion, the SEC identified that the analysis of Climate Change warrants further consideration before the document can be considered complete.

The DEIR fails to identify BOS Resolution No. 2020-0856 Declaration of a Climate Emergency, adopted on December 16, 2020. This resolution is a policy statement which declares the understanding and intent of the County to sustain and accelerate short-term communitywide carbon elimination, and all efforts and actions necessary to eliminate GHG emissions by 2030.

The DEIR should acknowledge the resolution and assess whether the proposed project and Alternative 2, as mitigated, would contribute to meeting the County goal of eliminating GHG emissions by 2030. If the proposed mitigation would not contribute to eliminating GHG emission by 2030, the DEIR should make this finding, identify gaps and provide appropriate recommendations. Such an analysis is appropriate for full disclosure of environmental effects resulting from implementation of the project.

The SEC appreciates the opportunity to submit its comments on the above referenced DEIR.

Sincerely,

Chair

Sacramento Environmental Commission