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Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report (RDEIR) for the Proposed City of Malibu Civic Center Wastewater Treatment Facility Project (EIR No. 13-001)

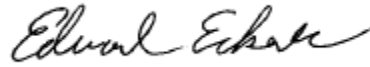
The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) staff appreciates the opportunity to comment on the above-mentioned document. The following comments are meant as guidance for the Lead Agency and should be incorporated into the Final CEQA document.

In the project description, the lead agency proposes to construct, operate and maintain a new centralized wastewater treatment facility in three phases consisting of four elements: 1) a wastewater treatment facility; 2) pump stations; 3) collection and distribution pipelines; and 4) percolation ponds and groundwater injection wells. The RDEIR provides project-level analysis for the first phase of the project, which affects the core commercial properties in the Civic Center area and a program analysis for each of the second and third phases of construction that are primarily residential properties. For Phases 2 and 3, the lead agency states that a detailed project-level analysis will be provided prior to the permitting of those phases.

Based on the project description, permit review will be required by the SCAQMD engineering and compliance staff for the following to include: 1) the sewage treatment plant including, but not limited to, the biological reactors, the membrane tanks, the equalization basins, the chemical storage systems, the solids handling systems, and other treatment equipment; 2) the odor control systems; 3) the internal combustion generator(s); and 4) the internal combustion engines used to drive pump stations. Permit questions can be directed to SCAQMD engineering and compliance staff at (909) 396-2737. Finally, the Final RDEIR should also reference compliance with the following SCAQMD rules and regulations including: Rule 212 - Standards for Approving Permits and Issuing Public Notice; Rule 401 - Visible Emissions; Rule 402 - Nuisance; Rule 403 - Fugitive Dust; Rule 431.1 - Sulfur Content of Gaseous Fuels; Rule 1110.2 - Emissions from Gaseous - and Liquid-Fueled Engines; Regulation XIII - New Source Review; and Rule 1401 - New Source Review of Toxic Air Contaminants.

Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21092.5, SCAQMD staff requests that the Lead Agency provide the SCAQMD with written responses to all comments contained herein prior to the adoption of the Final REIR. Further, staff is available to work with the Lead Agency to address these issues and any other questions that may arise. Please contact Gordon Mize, Air Quality Specialist CEQA Section, at (909) 396-3302, if you have any questions regarding the enclosed comments.

Sincerely,



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