

2.0 COMMENTS AND RESPONSES

Section 15088(a) of the State CEQA Guidelines states that the “lead agency shall evaluate comments on environmental issues received from persons who reviewed the draft EIR and shall prepare a written response. The Lead Agency shall respond to comments that were received during the noticed comment period and any extensions and may respond to late comments.” In accordance with these requirements, this Chapter of this Final EIR provides responses to each of the written comments on the Draft EIR received during the public comment period. **Table 2-1**, Summary of Comments on the Draft EIR, which starts on page 2-2, provides a list of the comment letters received and a summary of the issues raised in response to the Draft EIR.

Section 2.B, Responses to Individual Comments, presents comments submitted during the public comment period on the Draft EIR from State agencies, Native American tribal representatives, County agencies and departments or divisions, and City departments, as well as from individuals and organizations. The individual letters are organized by State, Regional, City, organization, and then individuals, as indicated in Table 2-1; any letters received after the comment period were added to the end of the comment letters. Each comment that requires a response is also assigned a number. For example, the first comment later is an accumulation of the comments received during the public hearing. The entire hearing is labeled “Letter No. 1.” Accordingly, the first comment from the public hearing is labeled “Comment No. 1-1” and the corresponding response provided is labeled “Response No. 1-1”. A copy of the transcript and each comment letter is provided in Appendix D of this Final EIR.

As required by the State *CEQA Guidelines*, Section 15088 (c), the focus of the responses to comments is on “the disposition of significant environmental issues raised.” Therefore, detailed responses are not provided to comments that do not relate to environmental issues.

Table 2-1

Summary of Comments on the Rowland Heights Plaza and Hotel Project Draft EIR

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1	County of Los Angeles Hearing Examiner Hearing – Transcript of Oral Comments	X	X	X						X		X	X	X		X		
2	County of Los Angeles Fire Department Kevin T. Johnson Acting Chief, Forestry Division Prevention Services Bureau 1320 North Eastern Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90063-3294	X			X				X					X				X
3	Native American Heritage Commission Gayle Totton Associate Governmental Program Analyst 1550 Harbor Blvd., Suite 100 West Sacramento, CA 95691				X		X											X
4	Union Pacific Railroad Patrick R. McGill Senior Counsel – Real Estate 1400 Douglas Street, Stop 1580 Omaha, Nebraska 68179								X		X		X					

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5	Golden Pacific Realty, Inc. Felix Chen President 20955 Pathfinder Road, Suite 210 Diamond Bar, CA 91765												X					
6	Rowland Heights Community Coordinating Council Debbie Enos First Vice President P.O. Box 8171 Rowland Heights, CA 91748		X							X			X			X		X
7	Edward Rowland LLC Mary M. Chan Vice President 515 South Figueroa Street, Suite 1028 Los Angeles, CA 90071-3300												X					X

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8	Royal Vista Neighborhood Watch Team Kingdon W. Chew, Captain Unofficial spokesperson for Royal Vista Golf Course Community (2004-present) Former President, Rowland Heights Council Community Coordinating Council Board member Rowland Heights Council Community Coordinating Council (2008-present)									X		X	X		X			X
9	Lynne Ebenkamp Rowland Heights resident									X			X					X
10	California State Department of Transportation, District 7 Office of Transportation Planning Dianna Watson, Branch Chief, Community Planning and LD IGR Review <i>and</i> Alan Lin, Project Coordinator Community Planning and LD IGR Review 100 S. Main Street MS 16 Los Angeles, CA 90012												X					X

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11	State of California Governor’s Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse and Planning Unit 1400 10 th Street PO Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044				X		X											X
12	<i>Duplicate of Letter No. 6, received by U.S. mail</i> Rowland Heights Community Coordinating Council Debbie Enos, First Vice President P.O. Box 8171 Rowland Heights California 91748		X							X			X			X		X

