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MEMORANDUM

To:

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From:

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Date:

December 1, 2016

Project:

Walt Ranch Vineyard Development

Project No.: 91525.01

Subject:

Rebuttal Response to Comments - Circle Oaks Road Distress

This memorandum is in response to the rebuttal comments presented at the 18 November 2016 Board of Supervisor's hearing and in a letter from Provencher & Flatt, LLP Attorney for Appellants, COHA and COCWD, dated 28 November 2016 entitled:

Walt Ranch Vineyard Conversion Project Appeal of the August 1, 2016, Planning Director's certification of the EIR and approval of the Agricultural Erosion ControlPlan No. P11-00205- ECPA proposed by the Walt-Brambletree Corporation.

The issue of concern is the vehicular traffic generated by the proposed development and ongoing operation of the Walt Vineyards that access the site via Circle Oaks Drive. The County maintained streets of the Circle Oaks community show signs of distress from weak embankment fill, poor surface drainage control, and an alignment that crosses unmitigated landslide deposits that pre-date the development. Over the years numerous roadway failures have been repaired by County Department of Public Works crews or awarded to grading contractors. Areas of chronic roadway distress have been addressed with frequent superficial periodic maintenance.

The COHA's expert, KC Engineering Company presented their conclusions on the status of the Circle Oaks streets in a letter dated 17 October 2016. They note that at this time (before any Walt Ranch Vineyard Conversion improvements have been initiated), the future stability of the road embankment in several areas is a critical concern. In addition, they opine: "Experience on previous projects has shown that embankments of this type can fail suddenly as a result of heavy rain and the infiltration of water into road cracks." Like the March 2016 Highway 121 roadway failure, cumulative distress,

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poor drainage control, and only superficial maintenance can lead to catastrophic failure of public roadways. KC Engineering concludes with the recommendation

In our opinion, the County should retain a qualified Geotechnical Engineering consultant to perform an evaluation of both areas and provide recommendations for pavement rehabilitation and slope stabilization.

The weekly garbage collection by Berryessa Garbage Service (Personal telecommunication, 21 November 2016) using Heil 5000, 20 cubic yard capacity, cab over engine equipment presents the greatest impact to road performance of the Circle Oaks road system. The truck's gross weight is 51,000 pounds (see attached specifications sheet). The truck weight is distributed 15,000 pounds front wheels, 36,000 pounds rear wheels. The truck wheelbase is from 12 to 14 feet or 150% greater than a normal automobile and weighs close to 13 times as much.

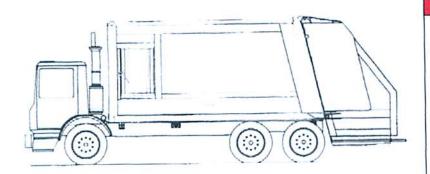
The garbage truck visits each residence, stopping and starting, along the entire road system every week. At each residential stop and start, the energy generated by shifting the weight of the truck back and forth from the front to rear wheels is sent through the roadway pavement and gravel section and subgrade to deliver a significant low frequency vibration to the underlying landslide deposits. The frequent stops, great weight, and long wheelbase combine to deliver several orders of magnitude greater impact than normal automobiles contributing to the low stability underlying hillside deposits. In fact, I believe **nonstop** travel of even heavy equipment loads is less of an impact on the roads and slope instability than the ocillatory, low frequency vibrations generated by the constant stopping and starting of the presently used garbage trucks.

Recognizing the sensitive condition of the Circle Oaks road system, the Applicant has agreed to route any heavy construction equipment traffic through access points other than Circle Oaks. In addition, the Applicant has agreed to limit the maximum traffic loads to 64,000 pounds. In my opinion, restricting the loads for throughgoing Walt Ranch truck travel (no stop and start garbage pickup) will result in less impact than the present garbage pickup road use.

We trust this memorandum provides you with the information you require at this time. If you have any questions regarding this memorandum, please call or email.

Circle Oaks is serviced by Berryessa barbage collection. They uso the Heil 5000-20yd cab over I FICATIONS truck

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PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATIONS

Compaction.....1,000 + Lbs. per Yd3 Hopper Size...... 3.94 Cubic Yards Packing Cycle Time....... 16-18 Seconds Reload Time...... 6-7 Seconds

Formula® 5000

High Compaction Rear Loader

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PUMP	
Туре	High pressure gear
Max. operating pressure	2500 psi
GPM at working RPM	42 GPM (159 liters per min.)
OIL RESERVOIR	
Tank capacity	50 gallons (190 liters)
Filters (replaceable)	100 Mesh (140 Micron)
	suction line: 6 Micron return
	line with in-cab monitor
VALVES	
Shut-off	Ball valve in suction line
	between pump and reservoir
Packing control	Spool type
Ejector and tailgate raise	Spool type

All designs, specifications and components are subject to change at the manufacturer's sole discretion at any time without notice. Data published herein is for information purposes only and shall not be construed to warrant suitability of the unit for any particular purpose, as performance may vary with the conditions encountered. The only warranty is our standard written warranty for this product at the time of shipment.

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