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Review of the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Turner Basin Project

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the above-mentioned document. The following comments are intended to provide guidance to the lead agency and should be incorporated into the final environmental document as appropriate.

Based on a review of the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) the AQMD staff is concerned about potential localized air quality impacts to sensitive receptors (i.e., residences) in close proximity to the project site. Specifically, AQMD staff is concerned about the potential construction related air quality impacts to the residents located approximately 500 feet north of the project site along the Deer Creek Channel and 4th Street. Therefore, AQMD staff recommends that the lead agency perform a localized significance analysis by either using the LSTs developed by the AQMD or performing dispersion modeling as necessary. Guidance for performing a localized air quality analysis can be found at: http://www.aqmd.gov/ceqa/handbook/LST/LST.htm.. In the event that the lead agency finds any significant localized air quality impacts from the proposed project the lead agency should consider all feasible mitigation measures to reduce the project's air quality impacts. A list of construction related mitigation measures can be found at the following website:

www.aqmd.gov/ceqa/handbook/mitigation/MM_intro.html.

AQMD staff is available to work with the lead agency to address these issues and any other questions that may arise. Please contact Dan Garcia, Air Quality Specialist CEQA Section, at (909) 396-3304, if you have any questions regarding the enclosed comments.

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