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Jessica Bauman guardajoey@gmail.com 10759 Maple Avenue Bloomington, California 92316

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Subject:	I Support Bloomington Business Park (Agenda Item #2)
Date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022 6:55:35 AM

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Please support the Bloomington Business Park!

Sent from my iPhone

From:	<u>ezmyyluvzu 96</u>
To:	Liang, Aron
Subject:	I Support Bloomington Business Park (Agenda Item #2)
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From: Jesus Ruiz <jr272580@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 7:19 AM
To: Liang, Aron <Aron.Liang@lus.sbcounty.gov>
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From: Daniel Felix <Dfelix2201@hotmail.com> Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 8:10 AM To: Liang, Aron <Aron.Liang@lus.sbcounty.gov> Subject: I support Bloomington business park

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То:	Biggs, Lupe
Subject:	FW: i support bloomington business park
Date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022 8:25:10 AM

From: Brian Kevin Sanchez <kevinloerax13@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 8:13 AM
To: Liang, Aron <Aron.Liang@lus.sbcounty.gov>
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I support the business park as a Union worker.

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Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 8:16 AM
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Subject:	FW: I Support Bloomington Business Park
Date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022 8:26:51 AM
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From: Florence Pena <FlorencePena@swcarpenters.org> Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 8:23 AM

To: Liang, Aron <Aron.Liang@lus.sbcounty.gov>; Supervisor Baca <Supervisor.Baca@bos.sbcounty.gov>; Supervisor Rutherford

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From: Nereo Perez <neredania@gmail.com>
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From: Anthony Soto <anthonykrost@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 8:41 AM
To: Liang, Aron <Aron.Liang@lus.sbcounty.gov>
Cc: Supervisor Baca <Supervisor.Baca@bos.sbcounty.gov>; Supervisor Hagman
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Date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022 8:56:08 AM

From: Beto Ramirez <beto9092015@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 8:42 AM
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Cc: Supervisor Baca <Supervisor.Baca@bos.sbcounty.gov>; Supervisor Rutherford
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To:	Biggs, Lupe
Subject:	FW: I Support Bloomington Business Park
Date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022 8:56:28 AM

From: Johnny Toscano <toscanojohnny@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 8:43 AM
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Cc: Supervisor Baca <Supervisor.Baca@bos.sbcounty.gov>; Supervisor Rutherford
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From: Esteban Hidalgo <hidalgoe567@gmail.com>
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From: John Barlow <JBarlow@swctf.org>
Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 8:46 AM
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From: Jaheem Lewis <jaheemlewis14@gmail.com>
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From: Andrew Felix <afelix1322@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 9:04 AM
To: Liang, Aron <Aron.Liang@lus.sbcounty.gov>; Supervisor Baca
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Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 9:08 AM
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Deanna Vela Real Estate Masters Group Realtor #01776571 909-226-0458

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То:	Liang, Aron
Subject:	I Support Bloomington Business Park (Agenda Item #2)
Date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022 12:49:07 PM

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From: Carolina Subject: Agenda Item #2

Message Body: Carolina Sanchez 6264768597 1033 E Francis Street Corona, California 92879

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То:	Liang, Aron
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Date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022 2:45:29 PM

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То:	Liang, Aron; Planning Commission Comments
Cc:	Hallie Kutak
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Date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022 3:30:25 PM
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Mr. Liang,

Please see attached.

Best regards, Theresa

From: Liang, Aron < Aron.Liang@lus.sbcounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 3:26 PM

To: Theresa Rettinghouse <trettinghouse@biologicaldiversity.org>; Planning Commission Comments

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Cc: Hallie Kutak <hkutak@biologicaldiversity.org>

Subject: RE: Comments on the Final Environmental Impact Report for the Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan (SCH # 2020120545)

Hello Ms. Rettinghouse, no comments attached.

Aron Liang Planning Manager Land Use Services Department Phone: 909-387-0235 Cell: 909.601.4672 Fax: 909-387-3223 385 N. Arrowhead Ave San Bernardino, CA, 92415-0187



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Good afternoon Chairman Weldy, Commissioners and Mr. Liang:,

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Please confirm receipt of the letter.

Best regards, Theresa

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Re: Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan Final Environmental Impact Report (SCH # 2020120545)

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The Center is a non-profit, public interest environmental organization dedicated to the protection of native species and their habitats through science, policy, and environmental law. The Center has over 1.7 million members and online activists throughout California and the United States. The Center has worked for many years to protect imperiled plants and wildlife, open space, air and water quality, and overall quality of life for people in Bloomington.

As an initial matter, the County added a supplemental air quality analysis and transportation analysis, together constituting almost 1,500 pages of new information. The publication of all this documentation so close to the Commission's consideration of this Project deprives the public and the Commission of the opportunity to meaningfully consider the issues raised by the proposed Project.

This Project would add additional warehouse development to a low-income community of color already disproportionately impacted by unchecked warehouse development in the area. This is a textbook example of the massive industrial development near residences that every public health official warns against and that virtually every state and local planning effort is seeking to contain. The Project would have devastating impacts on air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, sensitive receptors, land use, and noise. Given the staggering individual and cumulative impacts posed by this Project, one would expect the County to consider all available mitigation measures to protect the health of its residents. Instead, the Project's mitigation barely makes a dent in reducing these impacts, despite the readily available feasible mitigation measures that the County appears not to have considered. To address these concerns and comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the County must consider and incorporate enforceable, evidence-backed mitigation measures.

The County repeatedly disagrees and dismisses the Center's comments regarding the glaring legal deficiencies of the EIR and the inadequacy of the mitigation measures to minimize the environmental impacts. The FEIR fails to substantively address the Center's comments.

And finally, the County offers no valid basis for its decision to violate the Housing Crisis Act. San Bernardino County, like many counties in Southern California, already struggles to identify suitable infill parcels for housing development. When counties do not prioritize quality, infill affordable housing, developers turn to sprawl development, which results in multi-hour commutes, damaged ecosystems, and dirty air. Bloomington is subject to the requirements of the Housing Crisis Act,¹ which prohibits it from enacting a development policy or standard – including an amendment to a general or specific plan – that reduces the site's residential development capacity. (Gov. Code, § 66300, subd. (b)(1)(A).) The proposed general plan amendments eliminate the site's residential capacity entirely, and the County's promise to upzone other parcels does not cure that violation. (Gov. Code, § 66300, subd. (b)(1)(A).) Bloomington is in desperate need of new affordable housing close to existing public services. The County should prioritize the well-being of its residents and explore options for equitable affordable housing on this site.

In light of the shortcomings described above, the County should decline to approve the Project and, *at a minimum*, recirculate the EIR for additional review and public comment.

Because of the possibility that the Center will be required to pursue legal remedies in order to ensure that the County complies with its legal obligations including those arising under CEQA, we would like to remind the County of its statutory duty to maintain and preserve all documents and communications that may constitute part of the "administrative record" of this proceeding. (Pub. Res. Code § 21167.6(e); *Golden Door Properties, LLC v. Superior Court* (2020) 53 Cal.App.5th 733.) The administrative record encompasses any and all documents and communications that relate to any and all actions taken by the County with respect to the Project, and includes "pretty much everything that ever came near a proposed [project] or [] the agency's compliance with CEQA" (*County of Orange v. Superior Court* (2003) 113 Cal.App.4th 1, 8.) The administrative record further includes all correspondence, emails, and text messages sent

¹ https://www.hcd.ca.gov/community-development/docs/affected-counties.pdf

to or received by the County's representatives or employees, that relate to the Project, including any correspondence, emails, and text messages sent between the County's representatives or employees and the Project applicant's representatives or employees. Maintenance and preservation of the administrative record requires that, *inter alia*, the County (1) suspend all data destruction policies; and (2) preserve all relevant hardware unless an exact replica of each file is made.

Please include the Center on your notice list for all future updates to the Project. I am unable to attend tomorrow's hearing on the Project in person and had planned on giving testimony remotely via Zoom. However, I see from the County's website that the County is prohibiting the public from giving remote testimony at this hearing. This is highly unusual; in my experience, nearly every other local government in California now allows for remote testimony, usually via Zoom. This has been common practice across the state since several months into the COVID-19 pandemic. The County's decision not to allow remote testimony is another unfortunate barrier to full public participation in this decision-making process.

Sincerely,

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From:	Mario Vasquez
То:	Planning Commission Comments
Cc:	Shaun Martinez
Subject:	Written Comment - 9/22/22 Public Hearing Agenda Item #2
Date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022 3:59:40 PM
Attachments:	BPSP Comment TLU1932.pdf

Hello:

I am submitting the attached written comment on behalf of Randy Korgan, Secretary-Treasurer of Teamsters Local 1932. Please accept it as written comment regarding Public Hearing Agenda Item #2 – Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan, 9/22/22.

Please forward any correspondence on this matter to myself at this email address. Thank you.

Mario Vasquez *Communications Coordinator — Teamsters Local 1932* 433 N. Sierra Way | San Bernardino, CA 92410 e: <u>mvasquez@teamsters1932.org</u> o: (909) 889-8377 x242 | c: (909) 501-9232



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RE: Public Hearing Item #2 — San Bernardino County Planning Commission 9/22/22

Planning Commissioners:

Adoption of an EIR for a Specific Plan requires the highest possible policy scrutiny, because it guides the type of development that will be allowed for years, even generations, to come. The proposed Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan represents a significant departure from what currently exists at the project site, and what was expected for the project site for years–i.e., very low density residential development. The land use designation of the Specific Plan area would change from Very Low Density Residential (VLDR) and Low Density Residential (LDR) to Special Development (SD) and the zoning would change from RS-1-AA (Single Residential with 1-Acre Minimum Lot and Additional Agriculture Overlay) and RS-20M (Single Residential with 20,000 SF lot minimums) to SP(Specific Plan). In order to move forward with General Plan Amendments, the amendment must remain consistent with all the goals of the general plan.

The proposed project seems to conflict with or subvert elements of the general plan, and in particular with the general plan's focus on, and policies requiring, environmental justice in major planning decisions. Under both the general plan and state statutes projects such as these, in areas where disproportionately impacted and disadvantaged groups, must incorporate highest and best practices and proactive measures to avoid the incremental deterioration of living conditions for those populations. California Gov't Code Section 65040.12 (e)(2)(D) provides that "environmental justice" includes, "[a]t a minimum, the meaningful consideration of recommendations from populations and communities most impacted by pollution into environmental and land use decisions."

Avoiding and in fact reversing the harmful conditions in "environmental justice" areas are a critical feature of planning where these policies are applicable. For example, the SCAG's 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan states that "potential mitigation for environmental justice impacts" includes: "fund proactive measures to improve air quality in neighboring homes, schools and other sensitive receptors"; "provide education programs about environmental health impacts to better enable residents to make informed decisions about their health and community"; and "engage in proactive measures to train and hire local residents for construction or operation of the project to improve their economic status and access to health care."

This project already violated three policies from the EJ Element: Policy HZ-3.14, Policy HZ 3.16, and Policy HZ-3.18, meaning that the general plan amendment should not be able to move forward.

Of particular concern are the long-lasting air quality issues that will be associated with the development of this project over time.

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) has identified the area as an

Assembly Bill 617 (AB 617) Year 2–5 community. AB 617 communities meet one or more of the following criteria: identified within the top 25 percent of South Coast AQMD's Multiple Airborne Toxics Emissions Study (MATES) IV for cancer risk; and/or average percent of industrial land use and freeways within 1,000 feet from school/daycare boundaries was in the top 20 percent. The Bloomington community in unincorporated San Bernardino County meets all three of these criteria. Additional warehousing built near these communities would exacerbate air quality and the adverse health effects associated with them. South Coast AQMD staff, in a comment letter, expressed specific concern about potential public health impacts of siting warehouses within close proximity of sensitive land uses, especially in communities that are already heavily affected by the existing warehouse and truck activities. The SCAQMD's MATES IV, completed in May 2015, concluded that the largest contributor to cancer risk from air pollution is diesel particulate matter (DPM) emissions. According to the MATES IV Carcinogenic Risk interactive Map, the area surrounding the Proposed Project has an estimated cancer risk over 880 in one million.

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Please send any follow-up materials or questions in response to this public comment to Mario Vasquez at mvasquez@teamsters1932.org.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Randy Korgan

Randy Korgan Secretary-Treasurer Teamsters Local 1932

From:	Pat Pavlian
To:	Liang, Aron
Subject:	I Support Bloomington Business Park (Agenda Item #2)
Date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022 3:47:52 PM

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Yolanda Felix miraloma7@sbcglobal.net 11137 Alder Ave Bloomington , California 92316

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najayra@theieiyc.org 200 s linden ave rialto, California 92376

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To:	Liang, Aron
Subject:	I Support Bloomington Business Park (Agenda Item #2)
Date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022 4:30:12 PM

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Aleks Real (714) 351-2881

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Ariana Padilla arilovez15@gmail.com 9383 Laurel Ave Fontana, California 92335

From:	Planning Commission Comments
То:	Planning Commission Comments
Subject:	Land Use Services "Public Comments for Planning Commission Meeting for Bloomington Business Park from Diana"
Date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022 4:49:20 PM

From: Diana Subject: Bloomington Business Park

Message Body: Diana Sanchez 562-304-6030 18177 Rose Ave Bloomington, California 92316

Hello, I have been living in Bloomington for the past 29 years and I approve the project of the building in our area. We are already full of warehouses from Fontana. I think this will help the residents in the area that continue living with the upgrades to the surrounding with better lighting, sidewalks, wider roads for the trucks. People against it are upset loosing money renting their land for parking to the current truckers. Please approve and proceed with the building. Thank you, Diana Sanchez

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To:	Liang, Aron
Subject:	I Support Bloomington Business Park (Agenda Item #2)
Date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022 5:12:03 PM

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Michael Villareal michaelvillareal81@gmail.com 18313 8th street Bloomington, California 92316 From: Rebecca Subject: Agenda Item #2

Message Body: Rebecca Spence Dobias 909-786-9541 1318 5th Avenue Redlands, California 92374

Please do NOT recommend this project.

Your constituents know that the National Association of Industrial & Office Properties Inland Empire PAC has given thousands of dollars to Curt Hagman, Acquanetta Warren, Joe Baca, Ed Delgado, Jesse Armendarez, and numerous other Inland officials. We know they are buying you and we know that you are happy to sell off our land, our communities, our schools, and our health for their handouts. But however you have justified this betrayal to yourself, know that your mental gymnastics will not erase your collusion with evil. You have the opportunity to play a pivotal role in the fight against the corporations destroying the planet. Or you can further your own power for a few measly years before having to live with your decisions.

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From:	Planning Commission Comments
То:	Planning Commission Comments
Subject:	Land Use Services "Public Comments for Planning Commission Meeting for Bloomington business park from Martin"
Date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022 7:45:47 PM

From: Martin Subject: Bloomington business park

Message Body: Martin Villasenor 9096411486 11016 maple Av Bloomington, California 92316

I have lived in Bloomington for the last 25 years. This is only my personal opinion. If this project gets approved, IT WILL BRING LOTS OF REVENUE TO SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY . What's taking so long to get it approved??? Let this developer bring money to the county let's move on. It's got to get APPROVED. BEAUTIFUL THING THAT HAPPEN TO BLOOMINGTON

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Lee and associates with Howard industries do care about the community and its people. They been extremely helpful to me with my late husbands estate and giving me advice in this hard times. Truly appreciate these people they have helped me prevent foreclosure and now their investment in the community to create jobs will be an asset to the city. The environment and all things will remain safe but creating jobs and revenue to the city will benefit all. Thanks for the support and I vote yes!

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Dear Aron and Members of the Planning Commission,

Please find the attached comments on Agenda Item No. 2 on the Planning Commission Agenda for tomorrow (9/22).

All the best, Adrian

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September 21, 2022

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Re: Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan & Final Environmental Impact Report SCH No. 2020120545

Dear Mr. Liang:

We respectfully submit the following comments to the Final Environmental Impact Report ("FEIR") for the Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan and the Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan itself (collectively "Project") on behalf of People's Collective for Environmental Justice (PC4EJ). Please provide this document to the Planning Commission prior to hearing this matter. Overall, the FEIR continues to suffer from the flaws identified in the Draft EIR by many commenters. Given these violations of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), in addition to violations of other state laws, the Planning Commission should recommend rejecting this Project.

I. <u>The FEIR Is Inadequate as an Informational Document and Precludes</u> <u>Meaningful Public Review.</u>

The County recognized the benefits to providing FEIR-related documents in Spanish, but failed to translate any portion of the actual FEIR into Spanish. The County argues that Spanish translation is not required under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because "[t]ranslation of CEQA documents is not part of the County's standard CEQA procedures and is not consistent with the County's existing activities or procedures."¹ However, the FEIR also concedes "an NOP in Spanish was distributed on January 8, 2021."² The FEIR fails to explain how participants who had an expectation that actual documents – not just notices – would be translated could effectively participate in this process when the documents that actually disclose impacts, the Draft EIR and the FEIR, are not in Spanish. It is clear that the rationale that the lack of Spanish translation somehow conflicts with County activities or procedures is disproven in the project history for this exact project.

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¹ FEIR, at 2-656.

² FEIR, at 2-729.

The absurdity of the approach is bolstered by the fact that commenters that provided comments in Spanish received a response to comments in English. If the County truly aims to provide meaningful opportunities for engagement and public review of the FEIR, it should translate the entire FEIR, technical reports, and attachments into Spanish. Once the translated documents are released, the County should provide a 60-day comment period for review and public comment.

Overall, the FEIR was a difficult document for anybody to review in just 10 days. By not compiling changes into one document, commenters had to engage in the onerous process of cross referencing the redline document with the underlying Draft EIR to determine what the document actually says. This rapid timeframe with this arduous exercise would be difficult for even the most savvy urban planner. But, unfortunately, those most impacted by this project are probably not urban planners, but rather people who will bear the brunt of impacts from this project being moved too fast to actually allow people to effectively participate. Given the short timeframe to review the FEIR, the new air quality analysis, and the new traffic analysis, if this projects proceeds to the full Board of Supervisors, undersigned counsel will be providing more detailed comments to that body.

II. <u>The FEIR Fails to Adequately Disclose, Analyze the Significance of, and Provide</u> <u>Mitigation for the Project's Significant Impacts.</u>

The environmental review of this Project's impacts has always been fatally flawed, as outlined in numerous prior comment letters, which are hereby incorporated by reference. The revised FEIR continues to fail legal standards related to CEQA and other state laws.

a. The Revised FEIR Must Be Recirculated for Full Public Review and Comment.

The Revised FEIR contains significant new information and must be recirculated for public review and comment before being considered by the City. (CEQA Guidelines § 15088.5.) The Revised FEIR includes significant new analysis, including a new Health Risk Assessment (HRA) and new traffic analysis. The HRA is more than 1,300 pages, and the public has been given 10 days to digest this information. The traffic analysis is more than 120 pages, and like the new HRA, includes significant new information. Recirculation is required here for at least two reasons. Moreover, the FEIR includes new analysis on environmental justice impacts seemingly disclosing significant impacts from this project.³ Given these and myriad other new information provided in the FEIR, recirculation is required.

III. <u>The FEIR Inadequately addresses the Cumulative Impacts that the Project Will</u> <u>Have on the Region.</u>

CEQA requires that the FEIR address cumulative impacts.⁴ Cumulative impacts are those that result from "the combination of the project evaluated in the EIR together with other projects

³ FEIR, at 2-5.

⁴ Cal.Code Regs.,tit.14, §15130; see also Cal.Code Regs.,tit.14, §15355

causing related impacts."⁵ The incremental effects of an individual project "are significant when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects."⁶ Cumulative impacts can result from individually minor but collectively significant projects taking place over a period of time.⁷ A relatively "small" impact is not insignificant under CEQA if it contributes to an existing environmental problem.⁸

CEQA requires a cumulative impact analysis to contain, at minimum, either 1) a list of past, present, and reasonably anticipated future projects, including those projects outside the agency's control, which produce related or cumulative impacts⁹ or 2) a summary of such projections contained in an adopted general plan or related planning document which evaluates regional or areawide conditions.¹⁰ Failure to include a complete list of projects which produce related or cumulative impacts is a violation of CEQA.¹¹ The cumulative impacts analysis from this Project continues to remain flawed.

IV. Fair Housing, Displacement, and Community Development Issues.

The Staff Report fails to acknowledge nor sufficiently address the fair housing, displacement, and community development issues that community members and advocacy organizations raise with respect to the proposed Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan. In addition to intersecting with CEQA concerns, these matters implicate other federal and state laws and regulations that apply to the County's land use decisions.

⁸ "[A] project's cumulative environmental impact cannot be deemed insignificant solely because its individual contribution to an existing environmental problem is relatively small." *See, San Francisco Baykeeper, Inc. v. State Lands Comm'n* (2015) 242 Cal.App.4th 202, 223. "In fact, 'the greater the existing environmental problems are, the lower the threshold should be for treating a project's contribution to cumulative impacts as significant." *Id.* (quoting *Cmtys for a Better Env't v. Cal. Res. Agency* (2002) 103 Cal.App.4th 98, 120).

⁹ CEQA suggests that agencies consider factors such as the nature of the environmental resource examined, location of project, and type. Cal.Code Regs.,tit.14, § 15130(b)(2). ¹⁰ *Id.* at § 15130(b)(1).

⁵ Cal.Code Regs.,tit.14, § 15130(a)(1).

 $^{^{6}}$ Id. at § 15065(a)(3).

⁷ *Id.* at § 15355(b) (The cumulative impact from several projects is the change in the environment which results from the incremental impact of the project when added to other closely related past, present, and reasonably foreseeable probable future projects. Cumulative impacts can result from individually minor but collectively significant projects taking place over a period of time).

¹¹ San Joaquin Raptor/Wildlife Rescue Center v. County of Stanislaus (1994) 27 Cal.App.4th 713, 740, as modified (Sept. 12, 1994); See also, San Franciscans for Reasonable Growth v. City and County of San Francisco (1984) 151 Cal.App.3d 61, 80 (agency improperly failed to consider cumulative impacts of reasonably foreseeable development in addition to the four highrise developments in the proposed project, and "[t]he inadequate cumulative analysis prevented the Commission from gaining a true perspective on the consequences of approving these projects")

1. <u>The demographic profile of Bloomington residents is majority Latinx, low-income,</u> <u>and linguistically isolated.</u>

Bloomington is an unincorporated, census designated place in San Bernardino County. Bloomington residents are 83% Latinx, with a median household income of \$52,085 annually. Nearly 20% of its residents live in poverty.¹² The County states in its draft Housing Element Technical Report¹³ that linguistic isolation contributes to fair housing issues in the region, with a high percentage of residents in Bloomington not being able to "speak English well." This linguistic isolation "may prevent them from … commenting on proposed development projects."¹⁴ A summary of community input from Bloomington residents in connection with preparation of the County's Sixth Cycle Housing Element reveals residents experience housing discrimination based on national origin and immigration status.¹⁵

2. <u>The Staff Report and FEIR Underestimate Displacement Impacts</u>

In response to comments regarding the insufficiency of the displacement analysis, the FEIR claims that a) there is available housing stock based on the number of single-family properties and properties listed for rent on Apartments.com; b) the proposed Upzone site would offset the residential capacity loss; c) property owners within the development footprint would "voluntarily" sell their property.¹⁶

This is an exceedingly cursory analysis, and one that does not indicate that any serious outreach has been done to impacted households that would directly be displaced, or any analysis as to the needs of the estimated hundreds of households that would be directly and indirectly displaced. Reviewing this cursory analysis alongside the demographic profile of Bloomington does not indicate serious consideration of the specific needs of this community, including affordability, linguistic barriers, and loss of existing ties and community support to existing schools and services.

3. <u>The County must analyze any discriminatory effects or outcomes of its land use</u> decisions and must affirmatively furthering fair housing.

The federal Fair Housing Act, 42 USC § 3601 et seq., and the state's Fair Employment and Housing Act (FEHA), Govt. Code § 12951 et seq., not only prohibit intentional housing discrimination, but they also prohibit acts that would have a discriminatory effect on the basis of protected characteristics including national origin. These prohibitions include discriminatory

¹² http://www.census.gov/quickfacts/bloomingtoncdpcalifornia

¹³http://www.sbcounty.gov/uploads/LUS/HousingPlans/REVISED_DRAFT_HE_SEP/HousingE lement_CWP_TechReport_Draft_2022_Sept_tracked.pdf

¹⁴ Table 2-33 at 2-104.

¹⁵ Draft Housing Element Technical Report at 1-10.

¹⁶ FEIR at 2-706–2-707. The FEIR responds herein to comments submitted in the letter from Melissa A. Morris of The Public Interest Law Project to Aron Liang dated December 15, 2021, on the draft EIR for the Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan Project.

land use decisions by municipalities. *See Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs v. Inclusive Communities Project, Inc.*, 576 U.S. 519 (2015); Gov. Code § 12955(1); Cal. Code of Regs §12161.

The California Code of Regulations illustrates unlawful discriminatory land use practices as follows:

- Denies, restricts, conditions, adversely impacts, or renders infeasible the enjoyment of residence, land ownership, tenancy, or any other land use benefit related to housing opportunities. CCR 12161(b)(1).
- In the adoption, operation or implementation of housing-related programs, policies, and plans, denies, restricts, adversely impacts, conditions, or renders infeasible the enjoyment of residence, land ownership, tenancy, or any other land use benefit related to residential use, or in connection with housing opportunities or existing or proposed dwellings. CCR 12161(b)(7).
- Results in the location of toxic, polluting, and/or hazardous land uses in a manner that denies, restricts, conditions, adversely impacts, or renders infeasible the enjoyment of residence, land ownership, tenancy, or any other land use benefit related to residential use, or in connection with housing opportunities or existing or proposed dwellings. CCR 12161(b)(10).

There is no evidence in the staff report or the FEIR regarding what analysis there has been done on the impacts to the households that will be directly displaced by the project, and the hundreds more that will face environmental and other deleterious constraints on their residential uses by adoption of the Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan. There is no evidence in the staff report or the FEIR that there has been any consideration that the impacts of these proposals, may have a discriminatory effect on a majority Latinx, low-income community.

The County also has a duty to affirmatively further fair housing and cannot take actions materially inconsistent with that duty. Gov. Code § 8899.50. Affirmatively furthering fair housing "means taking meaningful actions that, taken together, address significant disparities in housing needs and in access to opportunity, replacing segregated living patters with truly integrated and balanced living patterns, transforming racially and ethnically concentrated areas of poverty into areas of opportunity, and fostering and maintaining compliance with civil rights and fair housing laws." Gov Code 8899.50(a)(1). As stated above, there is no analysis of the impacts of these proposals on the Bloomington community that will be directly impacted, taking into consideration their specific needs as a majority Latinx, low-income community. The County must engage in an affirmatively furthering fair housing analysis as to the proposed Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan.¹⁷

¹⁷ The County should refer to California Department of Housing and Community Development, Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing: Guidance for All Public Entities and for Housing Elements (Apr. 2021), available at <u>https://www.hcd.ca.gov/community-</u> <u>development/affh/docs/AFFH_Document_Final_4-27-2021.pdf</u>

V. Housing Crisis Act/No Net Loss in Residential Capacity

If adopted, the Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan will "downzone" the Specific Plan area, converting existing residential zoning to nonresidential uses. Government Code section 66300 requires that, in such instances, the county take concurrent action to change "the development standards, policies, and conditions applicable to other parcels within the jurisdiction to ensure no net loss in residential capacity."¹⁸

The proposal includes zoning change designation to an identified "Upzone Site" north of the proposed Specific Plan Area. The staff report and DEIR states that rezoning the Upzone Site to Residential Multiple (RM) would permit development of 20 dwelling units per acre or up to 480 units. Beyond proposing the rezoning of the Upzone site, the DEIR and staff report do not engage in a sites analysis to show whether housing development at the Upzone site is feasible or realistic, nor do these documents include proposed changes to development standards, policies, and conditions - beyond rezoning - that would make housing feasible. In fact, the DEIR acknowledges, that approval of the Project would only rezone the Upzone Site; no physical development or improvements are proposed there."¹⁹

There is no specificity of detail or information about how and whether the Upzone Site may be developed in a manner that would accommodate the displacement that will occur if the Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan is adopted or accommodate other housing needs in the region. It does not analyze availability of parcels at the Upzone Site of development of affordable housing. It was not the intent of the Legislature in enacting the Housing Crisis Act to create a paper exercise for affected cities and counties; in fact, in its enactment, the Legislature declared, "it is the policy of the state that this section be interpreted and implemented in a manner to afford the fullest possible weight to the interest of, and the approval and provision of, housing."²⁰

To that end, what is required for good faith compliance with the Housing Crisis Act's no net loss requirement is a more comprehensive analysis of the development potential at the Upzone Site to accommodate residential uses, including whether the site has realistic capacity to accommodate housing uses; identification of barriers; and concurrent changes to development standards, policies, and conditions to reduce or eliminate such barriers.

VI. <u>The FEIR underestimates GHG Impacts from the Project.</u>

The FEIR provides an exceedingly misleading approach to GHG analysis and mitigation. Importantly, the FEIR relies heavily on future compliance with the County's GHG Reduction Plan. The FEIR notes that "the 2021 Screening Tables is consistent with the County's GHG Emissions Reduction Plan Update to reduce emissions to 40 percent below 2007 levels, which would be consistent with the State's long-term goal to achieve statewide carbon neutrality (zero net emissions) by 2045, and therefore, would result in a less than significant impact related to

¹⁸ Gov Code § 66300(i)(1).

¹⁹ DEIR at 5.13-9.

²⁰ Gov. Code § 65589.5(a)(2)(L).

GHG emissions."²¹ Even arguendo this project is consistent with achieving a 40% reduction below 2007 levels, the FEIR provides no evidence, let alone substantial evidence, how these reductions purportedly designed to meet another and less rigorous standard will achieve more aggressive GHG reduction requirements in the state by 2045. CEQA requires actual analysis, not just these bold and unsubstantiated declarations.

VII. <u>The FEIR violates CEQA Because it Fails to Address Environmental Justice</u> Impacts, Which Renders it Inconsistent with State law.

Despite calls from commenters to the Notice of Preparation and Draft EIR that the County must include an environmental justice analysis for the project, it is noticeably absent from the analysis. The FEIR tries to produce some half-hearted analysis that solely confirms concerns over the environmental justice impacts of this project.²² The FEIR seems to argue because almost the entire specific plan area is located in an Environmental Justice Focus Area (EJFA), this somehow absolves the agency that a county-level decision to stuff more polluting facilities in an EJFA does not raise environmental justice concerns. This absurd comparison just confirms what commenters have said – this project has immense environmental justice implications – and the failure to analyze and mitigate those impacts violates CEQA.

VIII. Mitigation measures that are offered in the FEIR are inadequate

Under CEQA, a public agency cannot approve a project as proposed if there are "feasible mitigation measures which substantially lessen the significant environmental effects" of the project.²³ Feasibility is defined under CEQA as "capable of being accomplished in a successful manner within a reasonable period of time, taking into account economic, environmental, social, and technological factors."²⁴ The CEQA Guidelines add "legal" factors to this definition.²⁵ A potential mitigation measures cannot be properly labeled mitigation measures unless they are at least partially effective in reducing the significance of the impacts at issue.²⁶

Many of the mitigation measures included in the FEIR violate CEQA because they defer application, are unenforceable, and contain other problematic elements that render them. Moreover, the FEIR inexplicably removes mitigation, including noise protections, which provides fewer protections for the community that will be impacted by this project.

IX. <u>Requiring the Usage of Zero-Emissions Class 7 and 8 trucks.</u>

The FEIR offers limited and vague mitigation related to Class 7 and 8 trucks. Instead of firmly committing to use of this feasible mitigation, the FEIR defers this mitigation to future determinations by the Planning Department that "such trucks are commercially available, as

²¹ FEIR, at 2-582.

²² FEIR, at 2-5.

²³ Cal. Pub. Res. Code § 21002.

²⁴ Cal. Pub. Res. Code §2106.1.

²⁵ Cal. Code Regs., Tit. 14, §15364.

²⁶ Sierra Club v. County of Fresno, (2018) 431 P.3d 1151,1166.

reasonably determined by the County Planning Division."²⁷ The mitigation measure provides no evidence that the Planning Division has expertise on this issue or what standards it will use. Besides, there is no reason the commitment should not be firmer or sooner.

According to the Union of Concerned Scientists, battery-electric Class 7 and 8 trucks have lower life cycle GHG emissions than diesel trucks, no matter the operating characteristics of the vehicle or the electric grid.²⁸ While battery-electric vehicles do not have tailpipe GHG emissions like diesel vehicles, there are still GHG emissions associated with the generation of the electricity used to power the vehicle. With the current mix of electricity generation sources in the United States, the Union of Concerned Scientists found that a battery-electric semi-truck operating locally offers 65% life cycle GHG reductions compared to its diesel counterpart.²⁹ Battery-electric semi-trucks operating on highways offer 50% GHG reductions compared to diesel semi-trucks.³⁰ These reductions are likely even higher in California, since California has a larger proportion of renewable electricity generation sources than the national average.³¹

Further, the GHG reductions associated with operating battery-electric semi-trucks will only increase as California moves closer to its goal of ending its dependence on fossil fuels for electricity generation. Thus, requiring battery-electric Class 7 and 8 semi-trucks to efficiently carry cargo into and out of the Project buildings would significantly reduce the amount of GHG emissions associated with the Project, making it effective mitigation measure for the Project's significant GHG impacts.

Zero-emission vehicles, including Class 7 and 8 battery-electric semi-trucks, also cause significantly less air pollution than combustion vehicles. Light-duty combustion vehicles are a major source of both Particulate Matter 2.5, and well as Nitrogen Oxides ("NO_x"), a precursor for ozone.³² These air pollutants have serious health consequences, as exposure to them is associated with asthma, bronchitis, increased cancer risk, increased hospitalization, and even premature death.³³ Battery-electric semi-trucks have no tailpipe emissions.³⁴ The only significant air pollutant associated with the operation of battery-electric semi-trucks is the Particulate Matter

³² CARB, Mobile Source Strategy Presentation (Oct 28, 2021) at slide 9

 33 *Id*.

²⁷ FEIR, at 4-5.

²⁸ Union of Concerned Citizens, *Ready for Work: Now is the Time for Heavy Duty Electric Vehicles*, at 6 (Dec. 11, 2019) <u>https://www.ucsusa.org/sites/default/files/2019-</u>12/ReadyforWorkFullReport.pdf.

²⁹ *Id.* at 7.

³⁰ *Id*.

³¹ Nuclear Energy Institute, *State Electricity Generation Fuel Shares*

https://www.nei.org/resources/statistics/state-electricity-generation-fuel-shares (last visited February 12, 2022) [hereinafter, "Nuclear Energy Institute"]

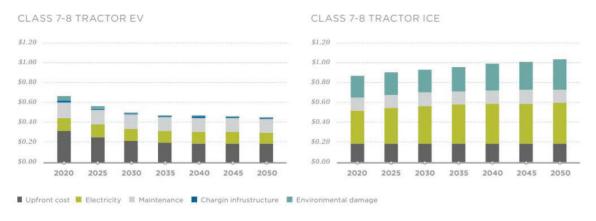
https://ww3.arb.ca.gov/board/books/2021/102821/21-11-2pres.pdf. .

³⁴ California Air Resources Board, *Updated Costs and Benefits Analysis for the Proposed Advanced Clean Truck Regulation*, at 3 (April 28, 2020) https://ww3.arb.ca.gov/regact/2019/act2019/30dayattc.pdf.

emitted from brake wear.³⁵ However, according to the California Air Resources Board ("CARB"), zero-emission vehicles produce 50% less Particulate Matter from brake wear when compared to diesel vehicles.³⁶ This is because zero-emission vehicles utilize "regenerative braking," which reduces brake usage.³⁷ Thus, requiring zero-emission Class 7 and 8 semi-trucks in lieu of combustion trucks reduce the air quality impacts associated with the Project and is therefore a far superior alternative under CEQA.

1. <u>The Current Total Cost of Ownership of Battery-Electric Semi-Trucks is Less than</u> <u>Diesel Semi-Trucks</u>

The total cost of ownership advantage of zero-emission class 7-8 tractors is now a wellestablished fact. Numerous studies have compared battery-electric semi-trucks with their diesel and natural gas counterparts using a Total Cost of Ownership ("TCO") analysis. A TCO analysis attempts to capture the total cost of purchasing and operating a vehicle throughout its entire life. While each study has a slightly varied methodology, each TCO analysis generally consists of vehicle purchase cost, lifetime fuel and maintenance costs, and necessary infrastructure costs. Some studies analyze additional factors, including California's available financial incentives, the charging infrastructure investments made by California's utilities, and the environmental externalities associated with Class 7 and 8 semi-trucks. A recent TCO analysis by UC Berkeley's School of Public Policy, examining upfront costs, fuel costs, maintenance, health, and environmental externalities, and the cost of infrastructure installation, shows the dramatic cost advantage for Class 7-8 tractor EVs over their diesel equivalents.³⁸



³⁸ 2035 The Report Appendecies- Transportation: Plummeting Costs and Dramatic Improvements in Batteries can Accelerate Our Clean Transportation Future, Goldman School of Public Policy, University of California, Berkeley (June 2021), Available at <u>http://www.2035report.com/transportation/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/GridLab_2035-Transportation-Appendix.pdf?hsCtaTracking=c4d392a4-96ff-474c-86c3bfa335c67aa2%7Ce2107ae8-40d7-44ff-8b5b-72016d87fe98.</u>

³⁵ *Id*.

³⁶ *Id*.

³⁷ *Id*.

Even setting aside the environmental damage costs, ZE Class 7-8 tractors have a comparable TCO to diesel tractors as of 2 years ago and have a clear TCO advantage by 2025.³⁹ Further, studies indicate that the cost of battery-electric Class 7 and 8 semi-trucks will continue to decrease as the 2020s progress, whereas the cost of diesel trucks will either increase or remain stagnant.

CARB undertook a TCO analysis that compared battery-electric and diesel Class 8 Day Cab semi-trucks.⁴⁰ Day Cabs are a type of truck generally used for day trips less than 250 miles, and are also known as regional-haul or short-haul trucks. CARB's analysis also includes the cost of infrastructure investment, but does not factor in environmental damages or any subsidies or grants. Nevertheless, the battery-electric day cabs proved especially cost-effective. The study finds that battery-electric day cabs yield significant savings as early as 2025. By 2030, a battery-electric day cab operating in drayage duty cycle is expected to have a 31 percent lower TCO versus diesel, equal to savings of \$239,000.⁴¹

Both of these studies indicate the current TCO of a battery-electric semi-truck is already either comparable or favorable compared to a diesel equivalent and that battery-electric semi-trucks will have a vastly superior TCO sometime by 2025 (within 3 years). Notwithstanding these favorable findings, these assessments should be treated as conservative. Neither study takes into account the financial incentives available in California, and the CARB study only considers the Low Carbon Fuel Standard. California has many more incentives available, with the most prominent being the Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project ("HVIP").⁴² For certain Class 7 battery-electric trucks, this HVIP program provides \$95,000 as a voucher to offset some of the purchase price.⁴³ For certain Class 8 battery-electric trucks, the voucher amount is \$150,000.⁴⁴ Further, in their respective analyses of charging infrastructure costs, neither study incorporates the hundreds of millions of dollars that California utilities have already committed to supporting the development of heavy-duty charging infrastructure,⁴⁵ the billions committed and proposed through California's State budgets in 2022 and 2023,⁴⁶ nor the

³⁹ *Id.* at 29.

⁴⁰ <u>CARB</u>, Draft Advanced Clean Fleets Total Cost of Ownership Discussion Document (Sept. 2021) <u>https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/2021-08/210909costdoc_ADA.pdf</u>.

⁴¹ *Id.* at 8.

⁴² California Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Program (Last visited February 12, 2022) <u>https://www.californiahvip.org/</u>.

 ⁴³ See generally, California HVIP Eligible Vehicle Catalog (Last visited February 12, 2022)
 <u>https://www.californiahvip.org/how-to-participate/#Eligible-Vehicle-Catalog</u>.
 ⁴⁴ Id

⁴⁵ California Public Utilities Commission, *Transportation Electrification Activities Pursuant to Senate Bill 350* <u>https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/sb350te/</u>.

⁴⁶ Office of the California governor, Governor Newsom Outlines Historic \$10 Billion Zero-Emission Vehicle Package to Lead the World's Transition to Clean Energy, Combat Climate Change (Jan. 26, 2022)

https://www.gov.ca.gov/2022/01/26/governor-newsom-outlines-historic-10-billion-zeroemission-vehicle-package-to-lead-the-worlds-transition-to-clean-energy-combat-climatechange/.

funding already signed into law by the Federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law – including \$5 billion for medium- and heavy-duty vehicle infrastructure, and an additional \$2.25 billion specifically for electrification at Ports.⁴⁷

In addition to financial incentives and utility charging infrastructure investment, when the environmental externalities of air pollution and GHG emissions are monetized and incorporated into a TCO analysis, battery-electric trucks are even cheaper compared to diesel. A study done by the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory ("LBNL") monetizes the reductions in GHG emissions and air pollution associated with battery-electric trucking in three different scenarios: when the electricity comes from 90% renewable sources and 10% gas, when it comes from 100% gas, and when it comes from 100% coal.⁴⁸ The study found that, when battery-electric trucks are fueled by electricity generated with 90% renewables and 10% gas, these trucks save \$0.28 per mile compared to diesel.⁴⁹ When battery-electric trucks are powered by electricity generated with 100% gas, these trucks save \$0.20 per mile compared to diesel.⁵⁰ California's electricity generation mix is somewhere in between these two extremes of 100% gas and 90% renewable.⁵¹ Therefore, battery-electric trucks operating within California would likely save somewhere between \$0.20 and \$0.28 per mile in GHG and air pollution costs compared to a diesel truck operating in California. Further, even without the monetization of environmental externalities, the LBNL study concludes that the current TCO of a Class 8 semi-truck with a 400-mile range is about 20% less than a diesel equivalent.⁵²

Battery-electric Class 7 and 8 semi-trucks are *currently* an economically feasible alternative to diesel and natural gas semi-trucks. If incentive programs like the HVIP and LCFS, as well as the significant investment made by California utilities in charging infrastructure are incorporated into a TCO analysis, battery-electric trucks are dramatically cheaper than diesel equivalents. As the 2020s progress, battery-electric trucks will yield positive cashflows in shrinking payback periods, as diesel trucks become more expensive.

2. <u>The Most Significant Technological Barriers to Widespread Usage of Battery-</u> <u>Electric Semi-Trucks Have Been Overcome with Immense Public and Private</u> <u>Investment.</u>

Battery-Electric Trucks are Already Technologically Feasible for the Majority of Trucks In-Use, and Particularly for Class 7-8 Day Cabs. Battery Technology has Advanced to Support Long Range Freight Movement A recent market assessment of the medium- and heavy-duty

⁴⁸ Amol Phadke, *et al.*, *Why Regional and Long-Haul Trucks are Primed for Electrification Now*, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, International Energy Analysis Department (March 2021) [hereafter, "Lawrence Berkeley"] at 20 <u>https://eta-</u>

publications.lbl.gov/sites/default/files/updated_5_final_ehdv_report_033121.pdf. ⁴⁹ *Id*.at 27.

⁴⁷ Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act (2021) Pub. L. No. 117-58, 135 Stat. 429.

⁵⁰ Id.

⁵¹ Nuclear Energy Institute, *supra*.

⁵² Lawrence Berkeley, *supra*, at 3.

market by analysts at MJ Bradley & Associates examines the in-use truck fleet to assess readiness for adoption of zero-emission trucks.⁵³ The analysis factors in charging patterns, operating requirements, market status, and business case. It relies on conservative assumptions (from a 2019 ICF study), but nevertheless, finds that 66% of the truck fleet has "strong potential for near-term [pre-2025] uptake."⁵⁴

A separate report by industry experts at the North American Council on Freight Efficiency ("NACFE"), titled "Electric Trucks Have Arrived" documents the positive results from a real-world truck demonstration.⁵⁵ The demonstration of 13 trucks over a 3-week period had the following conclusion: "The event proved that four market segments – vans and step vans, medium-duty box trucks, terminal tractors, **and heavy-duty regional haul tractors** – are ready to go electric."⁵⁶

Not only are battery prices falling significantly, but battery technology is progressing to such an extent that it is technologically feasible for battery-electric semi-trucks to operate effectively over the long ranges necessary for some kinds of freight movement. The LBNL study referenced above found that "recent technological developments indicate that electric trucks, like electric cars, can be fully charged in thirty minutes."⁵⁷ This is consistent with claims by Tesla that its Tesla Semi can be fully charged in under thirty minutes. ⁵⁸ Fast-charging is crucial for freight movement, as approximately 40% of large semi-trucks travel 500 miles or more per trip.⁵⁹ Each thirty-minute charging session is estimated to provide 4-6 hours of driving time, allowing long-haul battery-electric truck operators to effectively compete with operators using diesel and/or natural gas trucks.⁶⁰ The International Council on Clean Transportation ("ICCT") study referenced above found that with fast charging, a battery-electric semi-truck operator would spend approximately two hours charging on a trip between Los Angeles and Chicago.⁶¹ Although two hours is more time than a diesel or natural gas semi-truck operator would spend refueling, ICCT concludes this time "does not significantly affect total daily driving time within

⁵⁴ *Id*.

⁵³ <u>MJ Bradley, *Market Medium- and Heavy-Duty Vehicle Market Structure and EV Readiness* (July 2021) https://www.mjbradley.com/reports/medium-heavy-duty-vehicles-market-structure-environmental-impact-and-ev-readiness.</u>

⁵⁵ <u>NACFE Report, Executive Summary, Electric Trucks Have Arrived, Documenting A Real-</u> <u>World Electric Trucking Demonstration (Jan 2022)</u> <u>https://nacfe.org/wp-</u>

content/uploads/edd/2022/01/RoL-Report-Executive-Summary-FINAL.pdf

⁵⁶ *Id.* at 4 (Emphasis Added).

⁵⁷ Lawrence Berkeley, *supra*, at 4.

⁵⁸ Id.

⁵⁹ Shashank Sripad and Vekatasubramanian Viswanathan, *Quantifying the Economic Case for Electric Semi-Trucks*, at 149 (available at

https://pubs.acs.org/doi/pdf/10.1021/acsenergylett.8b02146).

⁶⁰ Lawrence Berkeley, *supra*, at 4.

⁶¹ Hall, Dale and Nic Lutsey, (August 2019), *Estimating the Infrastructure Needs and Costs for the Launch of Zero Emissions Trucks*, International Council on Clean Transporation,[hereafter, "ICCT Report"], p.17

legal limits."⁶² Therefore, not only are battery prices falling dramatically, but battery technology is advancing exponentially, making it technologically feasible for battery-electric trucks to operate over both short and long ranges.

A. <u>California's Electric Utilities have Committed Hundreds of Millions of Dollars to</u> <u>Build Medium and Heavy-Duty Charging Infrastructure</u>

While it has been shown that battery prices are falling significantly, and battery technology is increasing rapidly, this means little if there is insufficient charging infrastructure. According to CARB, charging infrastructure has emerged as the largest current issue preventing the widespread usage of heavy-duty battery-electric trucks.⁶³ Fortunately, there has been significant investment by California public utilities in medium and heavy-duty charging infrastructure. Further, the cost of charging infrastructure per vehicle diminishes significantly as the volume of vehicles increases. Therefore, the utilities' investment allows the battery-electric semi-truck market to circumvent the high costs currently associated with early charging infrastructure development and helps to create economies of scale for future buyers.

The California Public Utilities Commission ("CPUC") has approved significant investments proposed by California's major public utilities in medium and heavy-duty charging infrastructure.⁶⁴ For example, in 2018, the CPUC approved Pacific Gas & Electric's ("PG&E") proposed investment of \$236 million to support medium and heavy-duty charging infrastructure installations across their service territory.⁶⁵ The CPUC in 2018 also approved Southern California Edison's ("SCE") proposed investment of \$343 million to support medium and heavy-duty charging infrastructure installations in its service territory.⁶⁶ In 2019, the CPUC approved a similar program proposed by the San Diego Gas and Electric ("SDG&E"), although the exact dollar amount is unclear at this point.⁶⁷ Altogether, these investments will support the development of charging infrastructure for *at least* 18,000 trucks and busses. Therefore, although charging infrastructure is a significant barrier to widespread usage of heavy-duty vehicles, the almost \$1 billion already committed to building this infrastructure by California's utilities is a huge step in overcoming this barrier.

This investment by California's utilities is vital because it has been shown that the cost of charging infrastructure per truck diminishes significantly as the amount of infrastructure installations increases. In the ICCT study referenced above, the ICCT calculates the expected cost of charging infrastructure per Class 8 long-haul battery-electric truck. With 100 trucks and 150 charging installations, the cost of infrastructure per vehicle is \$189,000.⁶⁸ With 1,000 trucks

⁶² Id.

⁶³ California Air Resources Board, *Heavy-Duty Investment Strategy*, at D-41 (Sep. 20, 2019) <u>https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/2019-09/fy1920fundingplan-appd.pdf</u>.

⁶⁴ In Concordance with SB 350 (De Leon, Chapter 547, Statutes of 2015),

https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/sb350te/.

⁶⁵ Id.

⁶⁶ *Id*.

⁶⁷ Id.

⁶⁸ ICCT Report, Executive Summary at i.

and 1,200 installations, the cost drops to \$114,000 per truck; with 10,000 trucks and 9,700 installations, the cost drops even further to \$71,000 per truck.⁶⁹ The economies of scale associated with charging infrastructure shows why the utilities' investments are so crucial in ensuring the technological feasibility of battery-electric semi-trucks. The utilities' committed investment will help early battery-electric truck purchasers avoid the high costs currently associated with charging infrastructure. Further, the investment will aid the battery-electric market generally, as these hundreds of millions of dollars will create the economies of scale needed to significantly lower the cost of charging infrastructure for future buyers. This is partly why, as the ICF study shows, when these utility investments are incorporated into a TCO analysis, large battery-electric semi-trucks currently have a favorable TCO when compared to diesel. Thus, with these investments, the cost of charging infrastructure is no longer an obstacle to the widespread usage of Class 7 and 8 battery-electric semi-trucks at freight facilities.

B. <u>Class 7 and Class 8 Battery-Electric Semi-Truck Models are Available for</u> <u>Purchase, and Many Freight Facilities are Have Committed to Utilizing these</u> <u>Trucks</u>

Countering any claims that the technology is unavailable, there are numerous models of Class 7 and 8 Battery-Electric semi-trucks that are currently available for purchase, and are already in operation across the nation. Based on company announcements, there are at least ten Class 7 or 8 models with ranges up to 550 miles that are slated for commercial deployment by 2021.⁷⁰ As early as January of 2018, 19 companies had already ordered 375 Tesla Semis, with UPS ordering 125 and PepsiCo ordering 100.⁷¹ BYD, a Chinese zero-emission vehicle manufacturer, announced in January 2020 that it had delivered its 100th battery-electric truck within the United States, which was a second-generation Class 8 semi-truck.⁷² The German company Daimler announced it delivered its first battery-electric semi-truck in 2019, and had delivered five more by early 2020.⁷³ Daimler is planning on significantly increasing the volume of its battery-electric semi-trucks on the road in 2021.⁷⁴

Not only are there multiple Class 7 and 8 battery-electric semi-truck models available for purchase and currently on the road, but many freight facilities have already committed to incorporating these trucks into their fleets. Walmart announced that it would be opening a fulfillment center in British Columbia in 2022, which will feature a *fully electric* fleet.⁷⁵

⁶⁹ *Id*.

⁷⁰ *Id.* at 2.

⁷¹ Business Insider, *Companies that Have Ordered Tesla Semis* (April 25, 2018), https://www.businessinsider.com/companies-that-ordered-tesla-semi-2017-12.

⁷² BYD, *BYD Delivers its 100th Battery-Electric Truck in the United States* (Jan. 8, 2020), https://en.byd.com/news-posts/byd-delivers-100th-battery-electric-truck-in-the-united-states/.

 ⁷³ Electrek, *Daimler Delivers More Electric Freightliner eCascadia Semi-Trucks* (Mar. 4, 2020), <u>https://electrek.co/2020/03/04/daimler-electric-freightliner-semi-trucks-ecascadia/</u>.
 ⁷⁴ Id.

⁷⁵ CleanTechnica, *Walmart Orders 30 More Tesla Semi Electric Trucks* (Sep. 7, 2018), https://cleantechnica.com/2018/09/07/walmart-orders-30-more-tesla-semi-electric-trucks/.

Anheuser-Busch announced in 2018 that it had ordered 800 electric and hydrogen semi-trucks.⁷⁶ Frito-Lay is currently working on upgrading an existing freight facility, which will include use of 15 Tesla Semis and a 1 Megawatt photovoltaic array with charging infrastructure.⁷⁷ Loblaw, a Canadian supermarket company, has committed to fully transforming its fleet to zero emission vehicles by 2030, and had already ordered 25 Tesla Semis by late 2017.⁷⁸ Further, the Port of Los Angeles has committed to deploying ten Kenworth and Toyota Class 8 fuel cell trucks, and two battery-electric yard tractors.⁷⁹ The South Coast Air Quality Management District has committed to deploying 23 Class 8 Volvo battery-electric trucks to move freight across the Inland Empire.⁸⁰

In addition to multiple studies demonstrating that battery-electric semi-trucks are cheaper on a lifetime basis than diesel semi-trucks, these examples of semi-trucks currently available for purchase, and facilities committed to transforming their fleets, indicate that widespread usage of Class 7 and 8 battery-electric trucks at freight facilities is currently feasible.

C. <u>California Regulatory Agencies are Aggressively Pushing for Increased</u> <u>Utilization of Battery-Electric Semi-Trucks.</u>

Multiple government agencies within California are attempting to increase the number of battery-electric semi-trucks on the road through regulatory mandates, grant programs, and incentive programs. These are in addition to the Low Carbon Fuel Standard, the HVIP program, and the utility investments in charging infrastructure referenced above. In addition to the favorable TCO of battery-electric semi-trucks, these various agency actions increase the feasibility of widespread usage of these types of trucks at freight facilities.

The South Coast Air Quality Management District ("SCAQMD") has recently proposed an Indirect Source Rule that would apply to freight facilities within the South Coast region.⁸¹ Under this rule, freight facilities above 100,000 square feet would be required to accumulate a certain number of Warehouse Actions and Investments to Reduce Emissions ("WAIRE") points

⁷⁶ Transport Topics, Anheuser-Busch, Nikola, BYD Complete First Zero-Emission Run (Nov. 21, 2019), <u>https://www.ttnews.com/articles/anheuser-busch-nikola-byd-complete-first-zero-emission-beer-run</u>.

⁷⁷ Frito-Lay, *Frito-Lay Transforms California Production Site into First-of-its-Kind Showcase for Sustainability* (Oct. 3, 2019), <u>https://www.fritolay.com/news/frito-lay-transforms-california-production-site-into-first-of-its-kind-showcase-for-sustainability</u>.

⁷⁸ Financial Post, *Loblaw Says it Ordered 25 Tesla Semis, Wants Fully Electric Fleet by 2030* (Nov. 17, 2017), <u>https://business.financialpost.com/news/retail-marketing/loblaw-says-it-ordered-25-tesla-electric-trucks-wants-fully-electric-fleet-by-2030</u>.

 ⁷⁹ California Air Resources Board, *CARB Announces More than \$200 Million in New Funding for Clean Freight Transportation* (Sep. 26, 2018), <u>https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/news/carb-announces-more-200-million-new-funding-clean-freight-transportation</u>.
 ⁸⁰ Id

⁸¹ South Coast Air Quality Management District, Proposed Rule 2305: Warehouse Indirect Source Rule (Nov. 10, 2019), <u>http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/planning/fbmsm-</u>docs/warehouse-isr prelim-1st-draft.pdf?sfvrsn=6.

per year.⁸² WAIRE points can be generated through the purchase and usage of zero-emission and near zero-emission equipment, including vehicles and charging infrastructure.⁸³ Zero-emissions and near-zero-emission truck trips also generate WAIRE points. The most points that can be allocated for a singular action is for the purchase and usage of Class 8 battery-electric or fuel cell trucks.⁸⁴

SCAQMD cites the commercial availability of battery-electric Class 7 and 8 trucks in the technical document supplementing the regulatory language.⁸⁵ While the specific acquisition and usage of Class 7 and Class 8 zero-emission trucks is not *per se* required, this rule would strongly incentivize, if not force, many freight facilities to acquire these types of trucks and/or ensure that a certain number of truck trips made to their warehouse each year are by these trucks. With the proposal of this rule, SCAQMD indicates that increased usage of Class 7 and 8 battery-electric trucks is feasible and seeks to ensure more of these trucks are on the road.

SCAQMD is not the only California agency attempting to increase the usage of batteryelectric trucks in the state. CARB has proposed an update to its Advanced Clean Truck rule, which will increase the number of zero-emission vehicles that medium-duty and heavy-duty manufacturers are required to sell into California.⁸⁶ Further, CARB oversees an over \$200 million program designed to facilitate the transition to zero-emission freight fleets.⁸⁷ This CARB program funded the deployment of zero-emission semi-trucks done by the Port of Los Angeles and the SCAQMD, referenced above. CARB also oversees a grant program called the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program.⁸⁸ This program provides funding to vehicles that have less particulate matter and NOx emissions than is currently required by state and federal law. In addition, CARB oversees the Air Quality Improvement Program ("AQIP"), which is almost exclusively used to provide financing for small fleet owners to purchase clean fleets.⁸⁹

This is certainly not an exhaustive list of the grant programs and incentives available in California. Altogether, CARB indicates that more than a dozen California agencies issue

⁸⁹ California Air Resources Board, *AQIP Formal Regulatory Documents*, <u>https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/documents/aqip-formal-regulatory-documents</u>.

⁸² *Id.* at 2305-3.

⁸³ South Coast Air Quality Management District, *Draft WAIRE Menu Technical Report at 1* (Mar. 3, 2020), <u>http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/planning/fbmsm-docs/waire-menu-</u>technical-report draft 3-3-20.pdf?sfvrsn=6.

⁸⁴ *Id.* at 2.

⁸⁵ *Id.* at 4.

⁸⁶ See generally California Air Resources Board, *Advanced Clean Trucks Regulation*, <u>https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/rulemaking/2019/advancedcleantrucks</u>.

⁸⁷ California Air Resources Board, *CARB Announces More than \$200 Million in New Funding for Clean Freight* Transportation (Sep. 26, 2018), <u>https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/news/carb-announces-more-200-million-new-funding-clean-freight-transportation</u>.

⁸⁸ California Air Resources Board, *Carl Moyer Air Quality Standards Attainment Program*, <u>https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/carl-moyer-memorial-air-quality-standards-attainment-program</u>.

hundreds of millions of dollars annually to support the deployment of heavy-duty vehicles.⁹⁰ These grant programs, regulations, and incentives further illustrate the feasibility of widespread usage of battery-electric semi-trucks at freight facilities. None of the TCO studies analyzed above incorporate these programs and regulations into their calculation. Even without considering any of these, the TCO of a battery-electric semi-truck is currently less than a diesel equivalent. When these programs, regulations, and incentives are also considered, the case for the feasibility of requiring Class 7 and 8 battery-electric semi-trucks at freight facilities becomes even stronger.

D. <u>Requiring the Usage of Class 7 and 8 Battery-Electric Semi-Trucks will Reduce</u> <u>Local Air Pollution.</u>

The operation of Class 7 and 8 diesel semi-trucks within and around communities has devastating, sometimes deadly, air quality impacts. As mentioned above, diesel semi-trucks are significant sources of particulate matter and NO_x pollution. The impacts of these pollutants are so severe that the International Agency for Research on Cancer, which is part of the World Health Organization, has classified diesel exhaust as carcinogenic to humans.⁹¹ According to the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA"), particulate matter pollution is linked to increased hospital visits, emergency room visits, asthma attacks, and premature deaths among those suffering from respiratory illnesses.⁹² Children are especially susceptible to this harmful pollution, as their lungs and respiratory systems are still developing.⁹³ NO_x emissions are also quite harmful and can damage lung tissue, lower the body's resistance to respiratory infection, and worsen chronic lung diseases. Further, NO_x reacts with other pollutants in the atmosphere to form ozone, a precursor to smog.⁹⁴

Class 7 and 8 zero-emission semi-trucks almost fully eliminate the creation of these potentially deadly pollutants. As referenced above, zero-emission vehicles, including battery-electric trucks, have no tailpipe emissions. The only significant air pollutant associated with these semi-trucks is the particulate matter caused by braking. However, according to CARB, battery-electric trucks emit about 50% less particulate matter from braking than diesel semi-trucks, using "regenerative braking." Therefore, requiring the usage of Class 7 and 8 zero-emission semi-trucks is not only economically and technologically feasible but will provide significant health benefits to the people San Bernardino County. No person within the surrounding communities should be subjected to asthma lung cancer when it is clearly possible to meet the objective of the Project using better technology.

⁹⁰ California Air Resources Board, *Heavy-Duty Investment Strategy*, at D-90 (Sep. 20, 2019) <u>https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/2019-09/fy1920fundingplan-appd.pdf</u>.

⁹¹ American Cancer Society, *Diesel Exhaust and Cancer*, <u>https://www.cancer.org/cancer/cancer-causes/diesel-exhaust-</u>

andcancer.html#:~:text=The%20EPA%20classifies%20diesel%20exhaust,a%20%E2%80%9C potential%20occupational%20carcinogen.%E2%80%9D.

⁹² California Office of Health Hazard Assessment, *Health Effects of Diesel Exhaust* (May 21, 2001), <u>https://oehha.ca.gov/air/health-effects-diesel-exhaust</u>.

⁹³ *Id*.

⁹⁴ Id.

E. <u>Requiring Usage of Class 7 and 8 Battery-Electric Semi-Trucks will Aid</u> California in Reaching its GHG and Air Pollution Reduction Goals.

California has multiple stringent GHG and air pollution reduction goals, and electrification of freight fleets is a vital component to achieving these goals. California is mandated under the federal Clean Air Act to reduce its air pollution consistent with the National Ambient Air Quality Standards ("NAAQS").⁹⁵As mentioned above, diesel semi-trucks are a significant source of NO_x tailpipe emissions, whereas battery-electric semi-trucks have zero tailpipe emissions. Thus, requiring the usage of these vehicles in Port operations and throughout the existing network of off-port storage facilities, will aid California in achieving compliance with the federal NAAQS and the state CAAQS.

California also has aggressive GHG reduction goals. State Bill 32 mandates that GHG emissions be reduced 40% below 1990 levels by 2030. Executive Order S-3-05 mandates that GHG emissions be reduced 80% below 1990 levels by 2050. Executive Order B-55-18 mandates that California achieve economy-wide carbon neutrality by 2045. According to a report by the Energy Futures Initiative, meeting the goals for 2045 and 2050 will be "extremely challenging."⁹⁶ According to the ICF study mentioned above, the deployment of 100,000 electric medium and heavy-duty vehicles is necessary to achieve both the 2030 and 2050 GHG reduction goals.⁹⁷ Heavy-duty vehicles, including diesel semi-trucks, are a significant source of GHG emissions. According to the Union of Concerned Scientists, heavy-duty vehicles constitute 10% of vehicles in the United States but emit 28% of vehicle-related GHG emissions than diesel semi-trucks, and the GHG emissions from battery-electric trucks will continue to decrease as California increases the proportion of electricity generated by renewable sources. Thus, requiring the usage of battery-electric semi-trucks will aid California in meeting its aspirational GHG emissions reduction goals.

F. <u>Electrification of Freight Fleets has Positive Economic Impacts for California.</u>

In addition to the TCO calculation, the ICF study referenced above also analyzes the economic impacts associated with the electrification of freight fleets in the state of California. The report concluded that widespread electrification has multiple positive economic impacts. For one, transitioning from petroleum fuels to electricity allows funds that would otherwise flow out

⁹⁵ ICF, *Comparison of Medium and Heavy Duty Technologies in California*, Executive Summary (December 2019) [hereafter, "ICF Study"], available at <u>https://caletc.com/assets/files/ICF-Truck-Report_Final_December-2019.pdf</u>, p.3.

⁹⁶ Energy Futures Initiative, *Optionality, Flexibility, and Innovation: Pathways for Deep Decarbonization in California* at x (April 2019),

https://static1.squarespace.com/static/58ec123cb3db2bd94e057628/t/5cadebd04cd61c00017a563 b/1554901977873/EFI+California+Summary+DE+PM.pdf.

⁹⁷ ICF Study, *supra*, 28.

⁹⁸ Union of Concerned Scientists, *supra*, at 2.

of California's economy to be retained within the state.⁹⁹ Further, investment in battery-electric vehicles results in greater net employment, Gross Regional Product, and industrial activity per dollar invested, when compared to investment in natural gas vehicles.¹⁰⁰ Also, investment in the electrification of freight fleets results in a doubling of jobs in the medium and heavy-duty sectors relative to investment in natural gas and diesel vehicles.¹⁰¹ These economic benefits are consistent with the findings of the LBNL. In a letter to CARB regarding its Advanced Clean Truck Rule, LBNL indicates that a mandate that manufacturers must sell 100% zero-emission vehicles across all truck classes would result in \$49 billion in savings to the state economy compared when to a "business-as-usual" scenario.¹⁰²

The FEIR should consider each of benefits stemming from deployment of zero-emissions trucks as part of this Project.

X. <u>Conclusion.</u>

There are many flaws with this FEIR. These flaws are significant and must be fixed if the County wants to proceed with this Project. We urge the Planning Commission to recommend rejection of this FEIR at this time. Should you have any questions about this comment letter, please do not hesitate to contact us at <u>amartinez@earthjustice.org</u>, <u>cyoungblood@earthjustice.org</u>, or <u>nvyas@wlcp.org</u>. Thank you for considering our comments.

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 100 *Id*.

 101 *Id*.

B Regarding Proposed Amendments to the ACT Standard Yield \$11 Billion in Savings and 50% Emissions Reductions over Original Standards (May 20, 2020), https://www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/4122-act2019-AWBdOAZzAzMKYwFs.pdf.

⁹⁹ ICF Study, *supra*, at 6.

¹⁰² Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Letter to CAR

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Please find attached comments from Inland Counties Legal Services and the Public Interest Law Project on the Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan, which is Item #2 on the agenda for your September 22, 2022 meeting.

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Re: **Bloomington Business Park** Item 2, September 22, 2022, Planning Commission Meeting

Dear Members of the Planning Commission:

Inland Counties Legal Services, Inc. (ICLS) and the Public Interest Law Project (PILP) write to provide comments on Item 2 on tomorrow's Planning Commission agenda, approvals related to the Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan. ICLS is the largest provider of free legal services to low-income clients in San Bernardino, and its clients include low-income tenants in and around Bloomington. PILP is a California statewide support center whose areas of focus include affordable housing, fair housing, and compliance with California Housing Element Law. We write because the proposed specific plan raises serious fair housing concerns, and because the absence of a legally valid Housing Element renders the project inconsistent with the County's General Plan.

The proposed approvals are inconsistent with the County's 1. duty to affirmatively further fair housing.

Approval of the Bloomington Business Park would be inconsistent with the County's mandatory duty to affirmatively further fair housing because it will decrease neighborhood and housing quality in the Bloomington neighborhood, will exacerbate environmental hazards, and will displace existing residents without adequate mitigation measures. "Affirmatively furthering fair housing' means taking meaningful actions, in addition to combating discrimination, that overcome patterns of segregation and foster inclusive communities free from barriers that restrict access to opportunity based on protected characteristics. Specifically, affirmatively furthering fair housing means taking meaningful actions that, taken together, address significant disparities in housing needs and in access to opportunity, replacing segregated living patterns with truly integrated and balanced living patterns, transforming racially and ethnically



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concentrated areas of poverty into areas of opportunity, and fostering and maintaining compliance with civil rights and fair housing laws." Gov. Code, § 8899.50(a)(1). The County must "administer its programs and activities relating to housing and community development in a manner to affirmatively further fair housing, and *take no action* that is materially inconsistent with its obligation to affirmatively further fair housing." Gov. Code, § 8899.50(b)(1)(emphasis added). Additionally, the County may not make land use decisions having a discriminatory effect on members of particular racial groups that "[result] in the location of toxic, polluting, and/or hazardous land uses in a manner that denies, restricts, conditions, adversely impacts, or renders infeasible the enjoyment of residence, land ownership, tenancy, or any other land use benefit related to residential use, or in connection with housing opportunities or existing or proposed dwellings," unless it has a legally sufficient justification. 2 Cal. Code Regs., § 12161 (interpreting the Fair Employment and Housing Act).

The Bloomington Business Park will eliminate housing stock and displace residents from their homes and community. The project area is currently zoned low-density residential and agricultural, and the project will require the demolition of at least 117 homes. The residents of those housing units will necessarily be displaced by the project. While some residents might "voluntarily" sell their homes, others are tenants; the change in allowable use will also impact homeowners' future ability to use, modify, finance, or sell their homes. Draft EIR, 5.13-10. The Specific Plan does not include any plans to replace these homes—it does not allow for any residential uses. Rezoning the Upzone site does nothing to mitigate the loss of these homes: "The Project does not propose physical developments or improvements at the Upzone Site." Staff Report, 296. However, if any portion of the Upzone Site were to develop, such development would likely require the demolition of existing housing and displacement of current residents. Staff Report, 2; Final EIR, 2-707.

As discussed in greater detail by other commenters, this project will negatively affect environmental conditions and community health in and around the Specific Plan area. The Staff Report acknowledges that the Bloomington Business Park will result in significant negative impacts on air quality in the surrounding area. See Staff Report, 35. This is an area that already has some of the worst environmental conditions in the County, and the project will make those conditions worse, in turn making homes and neighborhoods more hazardous and less livable.

The harm caused by displacement, housing loss, and environmental hazards will fall disproportionately on lower-income and Latinx households. Eighty-four percent (84%) of Bloomington residents identify as "Hispanic or Latino," compared to 55.8% of the County's general population. See <u>https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/bloomingtoncdpcalifornia, https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/sanbernardinocountycalifornia/AFN120217</u>. Bloomington residents are also disproportionately lower-income. Over 20% of the residents of one of the two Census tracts where the Specific Plan is located have incomes below the federal poverty level, compared to 14.3% Countywide. (Census tract-level data available at <u>https://affh-data-resources-cahcd.hub.arcgis.com/</u>). The County has not engaged in any analysis of the project's impact on members of these protected groups or taken any action to mitigate residents' displacement or the loss of housing stock.

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Thank you for considering these comments. If you have any questions, please contact Sharilyn Nakata at <u>snakata@icls.org</u> or Melissa Morris at <u>mmorris@pilpca.org</u>.

Sincerely,

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From:	Rigoberto Diaz
To:	Liang, Aron
Subject:	I Support Bloomington Business Park (Agenda Item #2)
Date:	Thursday, September 22, 2022 12:09:48 AM

Dear San Bernardino County Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors,

My Name is Rigoberto Díaz and I live in Bloomington Ca for the pass 22 years with my family, I'm sending this email in case that i don't make it in time tomorrow for the hearing.

I support the Bloomington Business Park (Item 2 on the 9/22 agenda)

This project will provide an unprecedented investment in Bloomington, including the addition of miles of new roads with sidewalks and lighting, over \$1 million annually to support public safety that will stay in Bloomington, thousands of new jobs, and a new state-of-the-art school for our kids. This historic investment in Bloomington will benefit the community for decades to come, join me in supporting.

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Thank you,

Cheryl Gardner Lichtenberger Homeowner at: 18395 Stallion Ln Bloomington, CA

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Me opongo firmemente al Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan propuesto.

Si se aprueba, este proyecto cambiará la composición de Bloomington y nuestro estilo de vida de crianza de ganado. Los impactos ambientales significativos de Bloomington Business Park son perjudiciales para la salud y el bienestar de los niños, las personas mayores y las familias de nuestra comunidad. Por lo tanto, le insisto que represente los intereses de los electores a los que sirve.

Bloomington es el hogar de un grupo diverso de familias de clase trabajadora que han formado una comunidad vibrante con fuertes lazos a la vida rural y prácticas agrícolas autosuficientes. Sin embargo, una vez conocida por su pintoresco estilo de vida de pueblo pequeño en armonía con el mundo natural, Bloomington ha experimentado una afluencia masiva de desarrollo de almacenes, y un mar de concreto en constante crecimiento está consumiendo nuestros espacios verdes abiertos. Este cambio evidente en la estructura de nuestra comunidad ha alimentado una fuerte oposición pública al Proyecto Bloomington Business Park y el peligroso crecimiento de desarrollos de almacenes junto a casas, escuelas y parques. Si el destino del Proyecto Bloomington Business Park estuviera en manos de los miembros de nuestra comunidad, este proyecto no sería un tema de agenda. La comunidad hubieran rechazado rápidamente el proyecto con la dirección de la División de Planificación del Condado y priorizado los desarrollos enfocados en crear comunidad y fomentar un ecosistema seguro y saludable donde los residentes de Bloomington pueden cabalgar, trabajar y jugar porque los almacenes no son lo que los miembros de la comunidad han solicitado, y ciertamente no es lo que se merecen.

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Mi posición inquebrantable es que los Comisionados de Planificación y la Junta de Supervisores del Condado de San Bernardino se oponen inequívocamente al Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan. Les pido que consideren alternativas a los proyectos de almacenes a través de la divulgación y un proceso de participación cívica para colaborar con los miembros de la comunidad de Bloomington para crear e implementar una planificación que permita a sus residentes disfrutar de una mejor calidad de vida ahora y para las generaciones futuras.

Reconozco que al enviar esta carta, estoy compartiendo mi nombre, correo electrónico, código postal y cualquier otra información de contacto que desee compartir con los Comisionados de Planificación de San Bernardino, la Junta de Supervisores, y mi información será parte del registro público.

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