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Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (Draft MND) for the Proposed Subdivision of a 5.37 Gross Acre Lot and Construction of 20 Single-Family Residences Project in the City of Rialto (EAR No. 14-75, SPA No. 2 to the Renaissance Specific Plan, Tentative Tract Map No. 19916)

On August 5, 2015, the SCAQMD staff commented on the original Draft MND circulated by the Lead Agency for public review and incorporates those comments into this letter by reference. Those comments included the SCAQMD staff's concerns about the limitations and added costs of using filtration to reduce cancer risk from vehicles operating on the nearby SR-210 freeway.

The SCAQMD staff further recommended in its August 5, 2015 comments revising the health risk assessment (HRA), which the Lead Agency prepared and forwarded to the SCAQMD staff for review on September 2, 2015. Based on our review of the revised HRA, SCAQMD staff found that the HRA analysis involved the use of separate discrete receptors placed randomly. SCAQMD staff therefore recommends that the Lead Agency revise the HRA using a receptor grid of no more than 100-meter spacing over the entire project site. Because people living at the project site will use open space areas on the project site, the receptors must be placed within the project site to avoid underestimating the freeway impacts to the residents. SCAQMD staff recommends that the Lead Agency revise the model using appropriate receptor grids and locations.

Please contact Gordon Mize, Air Quality Specialist – CEQA Section, at (909) 396-3302, if you have any questions regarding these comments.

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