



## **APPENDIX C**

# **Public Service and Utility Correspondence**

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# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Dear Ms. Barker:

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, "DUARTE STATION SPECIFIC PLAN"  
DEVELOPMENT OF RESIDENTIAL, OFFICE, HOTEL, COMMERCIAL/RETAIL, AND  
OPEN SPACE USES, NORTHWEST CORNER OF EAST DUARTE ROAD AND  
HIGHLAND AVENUE, DUARTE (FFER #201300077)**

The Environmental Impact Report has been reviewed by the Planning Division, Land Development Unit, Forestry Division, and Health Hazardous Materials Division of the County of Los Angeles Fire Department. The following are their comments:

**PLANNING DIVISION:**

1. Please indicate any assessment fees required for new development.

*The Los Angeles County Fire Department does not have a fire facility fee in effect in the City of Duarte.*

2. Do you anticipate that required fees and taxes provided by new developments associated with the Duarte Station Specific Plan will adequately mitigate the expected increase in fire and emergency medical service demand?

*It is anticipated that property tax revenue generated by the proposed project would mitigate any impact this project might have on fire department services.*

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BALDWIN PARK  
BELL  
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BELLFLOWER  
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HAWAIIAN GARDENS  
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HUNTINGTON PARK  
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INGLEWOOD  
IRWINDALE  
LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE  
LA HABRA

LA MIRADA  
LA PUENTE  
LAKEWOOD  
LANCASTER  
LAWNDALE  
LOMITA  
LYNWOOD

MALIBU  
MAYWOOD  
NORWALK  
PALMDALE  
PALOS VERDES ESTATES  
PARAMOUNT  
PICO RIVERA

POMONA  
RANCHO PALOS VERDES  
ROLLING HILLS  
ROLLING HILLS ESTATES  
ROSEMEAD  
SAN DIMAS  
SANTA CLARITA

SIGNAL HILL  
SOUTH EL MONTE  
SOUTH GATE  
TEMPLE CITY  
WALNUT  
WEST HOLLYWOOD  
WESTLAKE VILLAGE  
WHITTIER

3. Do you have any required or recommended mitigation measures for significant impacts?

*No; significant impacts are addressed on a case-by-case basis.*

4. Please indicate the present ISO rates throughout the city and any fire hazard impacts. Do you anticipate the ISO rating will remain the same with the implementation of the Duarte Station specific Plan?

*ISO ratings are determined by the Insurance Services Office. Their ratings are a compilation of various factors, including water supply, which are not within the authority of the Los Angeles County Fire Department to regulate. The latest available ratings as published by the ISO indicate that the area of Duarte encompassing the project area is a "3".*

5. Do you anticipate that implementation of the Duarte Station Specific Plan would result in the need for physical additions to your agency (i.e., construction of new fire stations)?

*No. The implementation of the proposed project would not result in the need for new or physically altered fire facilities in order to serve the project.*

6. Is there any other relevant information regarding potential significant impacts?

*No.*

7. Please include any additional information you feel is pertinent to the Environmental Impact Report analysis for the Duarte Station Specific Plan.

*We have no additional comments.*

#### **LAND DEVELOPMENT UNIT:**

##### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

1. The proposed development may necessitate multiple ingress/egress access for the circulation of traffic, and emergency response issues.
2. The development of this project must comply with all applicable code and ordinance requirements for construction, access, water mains, fire flows and fire hydrants.

3. Specific fire and life safety requirements for the construction phase will be addressed at the building fire plan check. There may be additional fire and life safety requirements during this time.

#### ACCESS REQUIREMENTS

1. Every building constructed shall be accessible to Fire Department apparatus by way of access roadways, with an all-weather surface of not less than the prescribed width. The roadway shall be extended to within 150 feet of all portions of the exterior walls when measured by an unobstructed route around the exterior of the building.
2. Turning radii shall not be less than 32 feet. This measurement shall be determined at the centerline of the road. A Fire Department approved turning area shall be provided for all driveways exceeding 150 feet in-length and at the end of all cul-de-sacs.
3. All on-site driveways shall provide a minimum unobstructed width of 28 feet, clear-to-sky. The 28 foot width does not allow for parking, and shall be designated as a "Fire Lane" and have appropriate signage. The centerline of the on-site driveway shall be located parallel to and within 30 feet of an exterior wall on one side of the proposed structure. The on-site driveway is to be within 150 feet of all portions of the exterior walls of the first story of any building.
4. The 28 feet in width shall be increased to:
  - a) 34 feet in width when parallel parking is allowed on one side of the access way.
  - b) 36 feet in width when parallel parking is allowed on both sides of the access way.
  - c) Any access way less than 34 feet in width shall be labeled "Fire Lane" on the final recording map, and final building plans.
  - d) For streets or driveways with parking restrictions: The entrance to the street/driveway and intermittent spacing distances of 150 feet shall be posted with Fire Department approved signs stating "NO PARKING - FIRE LANE" in three-inch high letters. Driveway labeling is necessary to ensure access for Fire Department use.
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6. All on-site driveways/roadways shall provide a minimum unobstructed width of 28 feet, clear-to-sky. The on-site driveway is to be within 150 feet of all portions of the exterior

walls of the first story of any building. The centerline of the access driveway shall be located parallel to and within 30 feet of an exterior wall on one side of the proposed structure.

#### WATER REQUIREMENTS

1. Fire sprinkler systems are required in all residential and most commercial occupancies. For those occupancies not requiring fire sprinkler systems, it is strongly suggested that fire sprinkler systems be installed. This will reduce potential fire and life losses. Systems are now technically and economically feasible for residential use.
2. The development may require fire flows up to 5,000 gallons per minute at 20 per square inch residual pressure for up to a five-hour duration. Final fire flows will be based on the size of buildings, its relationship to other structures, property lines, and types of construction used.
3. Fire hydrant spacing shall be 300 feet and shall meet the following requirements:
  - a) No portion of lot frontage shall be more than 200 feet via vehicular access from a public fire hydrant.
  - b) No portion of a building shall exceed 400 feet via vehicular access from a properly spaced public fire hydrant.
  - c) Additional hydrants will be required if hydrant spacing exceeds specified distances.
  - d) When cul-de-sac depth exceeds 200 feet on a commercial street, hydrants shall be required at the corner and mid-block.
  - e) A cul-de-sac shall not be more than 500 feet in length, when serving land zoned for commercial use.
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- c) When cul-de-sac depth exceeds 200 feet, hydrants will be required at the corner and mid-block.
  - d) Additional hydrants will be required if the hydrant spacing exceeds specified distances.
6. The County of Los Angeles Fire Department, Land Development Unit's comments are only general requirements. Specific fire and life safety requirements will be addressed at the building and fire plan check phase. There may be additional requirements during this time.
  7. When involved with subdivision in a city contracting fire protection with the County of Los Angeles Fire Department, the Fire Department requirements for access, fire flows and hydrants are addressed during the subdivision tentative map stage.
  8. This project does not propose construction of structures or any other improvements at this time. Therefore, until actual construction is proposed the project will not have a significant impact to the Fire Department, Land Development Unit.
  9. The County of Los Angeles Fire Department, Land Development Unit appreciates the opportunity to comment on this project.
  10. The statutory responsibilities of the County of Los Angeles Fire Department, Land Development Unit, are the review of and comment on, all projects within the unincorporated areas of the County of Los Angeles. Our emphasis is on the availability of sufficient water supplies for firefighting operations and local/regional access issues. However, we review all projects for issues that may have a significant impact on the County of Los Angeles Fire Department. We are responsible for the review of all projects within Contract Cities (cities that contract with the County of Los Angeles Fire Department for fire protection services). We are responsible for all County facilities, located within non-contract cities.  
  
The County of Los Angeles Fire Department, Land Development Unit may also comment on conditions that may be imposed on a project by the Fire Prevention Division, which may create a potentially significant impact to the environment.
  11. Should any questions arise regarding subdivision, water systems, or access, please contact the County of Los Angeles Fire Department, Land Development Unit, Inspector Claudia Soiza, at (323) 890-4243.

**FORESTRY DIVISION – OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:**

1. The statutory responsibilities of the County of Los Angeles Fire Department, Forestry Division include erosion control, watershed management, rare and endangered

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species, vegetation, fuel modification for Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones or Fire Zone 4, archeological and cultural resources, and the County Oak Tree Ordinance. Potential impacts in these areas should be addressed in the Final Environmental Impact Report.

**HEALTH HAZARDOUS MATERIALS DIVISION:**

1. Prior to the proposed development a Phase I must be completed for each of the commercial and/or industrial properties with potential historical use and/or storage of hazardous materials that may have contributed to soil/groundwater contamination. If the Phase I indicates use or storage of hazardous materials, the site must be assessed and/or mitigated under oversight of a governmental agency prior to grading and construction.

If you have any additional questions, please contact this office at (323) 890-4330.

Very truly yours,



FRANK VIDALES, ACTING CHIEF, FORESTRY DIVISION  
PREVENTION SERVICES BUREAU

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## PARKS AND RECREATION QUESTIONNAIRE

### DUARTE STATION SPECIFIC PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

Please respond to the following questions providing as much information as possible (necessary to evaluate potential impacts).

1. What is the total acreage of parkland within the City?

51 Acres

2. Does the City have an adopted parkland-to-population standard?

Yes

3. Please indicate the name, location, and size of the nearest facilities that would serve potential residents within the project site.

Duarte Sports Park 1401 Central Ave 12 acres

4. Do you anticipate impacts to the park and recreational facilities?

NO

5. Please indicate if there will be any required fees or parkland dedication to help mitigate potential impacts to park and recreation facilities.

N/A

6. Do you have any required or recommended mitigation measures for significant impacts?

NO

7. Do you anticipate that project implementation would result in the need for physical additions to your agency (i.e., construction of new park and recreational facilities)?

NO

8. Please include any additional information you feel is pertinent to the Environmental Impact Report analysis for the Duarte Station Specific Plan.

N/A

## SCHOOL SERVICE QUESTIONNAIRE

### DUARTE STATION SPECIFIC PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

Please respond to the following question on your agency/company letterhead and provide maps to illustrate facility locations.

1. Please indicate the name and location of schools which are available to serve the project site.  
**Andres Duarte Elementary School:** 1433 Crestfield Dr. Duarte, CA 91010  
**Northview Intermediate School:** 1401 Highland Ave. Duarte, CA 91010  
**Duarte High School:** 1565 E. Central Ave. Duarte, CA 91010
2. What is the current enrollment and capacity of each school in the vicinity of the project, and what is the distance of the school from the project site?  
**Andres Duarte Elementary:** Current 333, Capacity 550, Distance 75 miles  
**Northview Intermediate School:** Current 512, Capacity 700, Distance .25 miles  
**Duarte High School:** Current 1,008, Capacity 1,400, Distance .35 miles
3. What are the current student generation rates used to project enrollment based on residential and non-residential development?  
**Enrollment has been declining each of the last seven years.**
4. Does the District charge developer fees for residential and non-residential development. If yes, what are these fees? Are there any other required or recommended mitigation measures for the project?  
**Residential: \$2.97 SF**                      **Non-residential: .47 SF**
5. Does the District have any current plans for new school facilities that would serve the project?  
**District master plan includes modernization and construction of new facilities at existing schools.**
6. Please include any additional information you feel is pertinent to the Environmental Impact Report analysis for the Duarte Station Specific Plan.



**From:** [Carter, John L.](#)  
**To:** [Barker, Starla](#)  
**Subject:** EIR from the LASD - Temple Station  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 02, 2013 3:45:39 PM  
**Attachments:** [LACSD.PDF](#)

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Good afternoon Starla. Sorry for the late response regarding the EIR, but I was recently assigned to the Duarte Substation. Below are the answers to the attachment. Please let me know if there are any questions. Again, I apologize for the delay.

Sgt. John L. Carter  
Duarte Liaison Sergeant  
(626) 705-4836

1. Our Target response times are: Routine- 60, Priority-20, Emergent-10

Our Current response times are Routine: Routine-35.4, Priority-6.8, Emergent-5.9

2. We do not have a target staffing level. Staffing is determined by the city in combination with our agreement that there are sufficient units to handle the workload.

3. Current staff levels are sufficient

4. The Sheriff's Dept. does not have an assessment fee for new developments.

5. The Sheriff's Dept. does not anticipate any significant impact associated with the proposed project. The additional calls for service do not appear to require any additional units. The Sheriff's Dept. may still make suggestions for increased service once the project is done and any unanticipated problems arise.

6. Our Department does not currently have any plans for new facilities in the City of Duarte.

7. We do not anticipate the need for any new construction brought about by the new project.

8. The Sheriff's Department has no relevant information regarding potential impacts.

9. No pertinent information to add at this time.