



August 25, 2017

David Mack
Senior Planner
Monterey County Resource Management Agency

SUBJECT: Comments on the Notice of Preparation for the Rio Ranch Marketplace Project

Dear Mr. Mack:

The Transportation Agency for Monterey County is the Regional Transportation Planning and Congestion Management Agency for Monterey County. Agency staff has reviewed the Notice of Preparation for the Rio Ranch Marketplace Project and offers the following comments:

1. The Agency supports the development of a detailed Traffic Impact Analysis to inform the EIR about the impacts to local and regional road networks.
2. The Agency support the early inclusion and consideration for active transportation strategies in the development of projects, including those noted in the NOP.
3. Consideration should be given to the installation of electric vehicle charging stations, as new construction provides an opportunity to install this needed infrastructure.
4. The Agency supports the use of Intersections Control Evaluations (ICE analysis) when major modifications to intersections are considered.
5. The Agency looks forward to providing comments on the draft environmental impact report.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed project. If you have any questions, please contact Grant Leonard of my staff at 831-775-0903.

Sincerely,

Debra L. Hale
Executive Director