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Subject: Regretfully rescind the request for a condition of approval to provide County Parks with an easement for the Juan Baustista De Anza trail

Hello Schani and Ms. Huddleson,

After I received Ms. Huddleson's phone call yesterday, I was surprised to hear that Cal Trans does not support the condition to provide an easement for the Juan Baustista De Anza trail, considering there is not a designated bike lane along this stretch of Highway 1 nor is one proposed with this project. It has been Caltrans' policy, since 2001, to provide for non-motorized access along highways when possible. This policy is memorialized in Cal Trans Policy Directive 64-R2 which provides guidance for a "state highway system that is sustainable, integrated, livable and inviting to pedestrian and bicyclists...". It is with this policy in mind and in consideration that there are no designated bike lanes along this segment of Highway 1 that County Parks made the request for the trail easement with this project. The requested offer to dedicate a trail easement appears to be aligned with the goals of this policy.

Although County Parks encourages Cal Trans to create this highway section that is sustainable, integrated, livable and inviting to pedestrian and bicyclists by providing an easement to the County for a bike/pedestrian trail, or adding class two bike paths along this highway, we can not force Cal Trans to do this. Therefore we regretfully rescind our request for a condition of approval to provide County Parks with an easement for the Juan Baustista De Anza trail that would have provided future bike and pedestrian access along this stretch of Highway 1.

Please feel free to call me if you have further questions,

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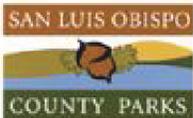
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