

6. Significant Unavoidable Adverse Impacts

Chapter 1, *Executive Summary*, contains Table 1-1, which summarizes the impacts, mitigation measures, and levels of significance before and after mitigation. This project may have one remaining significant, unavoidable, and adverse impact if improvements pursuant to feasible mitigation measures are not completed for reasons beyond the City's control (i.e., the City cannot undertake or require improvements to Caltrans facilities). Should that occur, impacts relating to traffic generated by the project would remain significant and unavoidable.

6.1 SIGNIFICANT AND UNAVOIDABLE IMPACTS

6.1.1 Traffic/Transportation

Impact 5.11-1: The proposed project with baseball field option would result in a substantial increase in traffic in Opening Year 2017 and Future Year 2030 if the intersection of PCH and Malibu Canyon Road/Winter Mesa Road, which is operated and maintained by Caltrans, is not improved.

The signalized intersection of PCH and Malibu Canyon Road/Winter Mesa Road is operated and maintained by Caltrans. Based on the Opening Year 2017 plus Project and Future year 2030 LOS analyses and the City's significance criteria the proposed project would create a significant impact at Malibu Canyon Road/PCH because this intersection is forecast to continue to operate at LOS E (0.965 volume-to-capacity [V/C]), and the proposed project would increase the intersection's V/C by 0.012 V/C (i.e., ≥ 0.010 V/C threshold at LOS E or F). However, the impact is considered less than significant based on the County of Los Angeles Congestion Management Program (CMP) criteria.

Implementation of transportation improvements to Caltrans facilities such as the intersection of Malibu Canyon Road/PCH, is the primary responsibility of Caltrans. Any modifications to the operation of a roadway by the project applicant and/or a contractor would require the issuance of an encroachment permit by Caltrans, the responsible agency for the intersection of Malibu Canyon Road/PCH. There is the potential that significant impacts may not be fully mitigated if such improvements are not completed for reasons beyond the City's control (i.e., the City cannot undertake or require improvements within the control of Caltrans).

While Caltrans has recognized that private development has a role to play in funding fair share improvements to impacts on Caltrans facilities, Caltrans has not adopted a program that can ensure that locally-contributed impact fees will be tied to improvements. Only Caltrans has jurisdiction over improvements to Caltrans facilities. Because Caltrans has exclusive control improvements to the intersection of Malibu Canyon Road/PCH, and because there is no adopted program for locally-contributed impact fees, there is no assurance that mitigation at this intersection will actually be implemented by Caltrans. However, a number of funding programs are in place in Los Angeles to assist in improving and upgrading the regional transportation system. If mitigation measure 11-1 and these programs are not implemented by the agencies with the responsibility to do so, the project's impacts to the intersection of Malibu Canyon Road/PCH, would remain significant and unmitigated for Impact 5.11-1.



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