

## **Appendix D**

## **Public Notices and Public Correspondence**

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## **Public Notices**

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## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

### INTEGRATED RESOURCES PLAN (IRP) DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

State Clearinghouse No. 2004071091

Date: November 30, 2005

To: Interested Agencies, Organizations, and Persons

This Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to inform the public and decision makers (Los Angeles City Council) of the environmental effects of the Integrated Resources Plan. The IRP is an integrated wastewater facilities plan that describes the existing wastewater, recycled water, and runoff systems in the City, identifies system inadequacies based on the needs projected for the year 2020, and provides recommended alternatives to address the future needs of the systems. The IRP would improve and upgrade the City's wastewater and recycled water systems, and runoff management programs through the year 2020.

The City is requesting input and comments from responsible agencies, trustees, and other interested parties on the Draft EIR. The Draft EIR for the IRP contains four integrated alternatives (wastewater treatment, wastewater conveyance, urban runoff management, and potential water-recycling components) that are described below:

<b>Project Title:</b>	Integrated Resources Plan
<b>Project Location:</b>	The proposed project would be located throughout the City of Los Angeles and in outlying areas. Major IRP facilities could be located in Playa del Rey, the Sepulveda Flood Control Basin, northeast Los Angeles, and in the Cities of Glendale, Burbank, and El Segundo.
<b>Project Description:</b>	Four build alternatives have been developed for the IRP. Each IRP alternative would be comprised of a suite of wastewater treatment, wastewater conveyance, urban runoff management, and potential water-recycling components. <b>IRP Alternative 1:</b> Hyperion Treatment Plant expansion with a moderate potential for water resources projects (up to 42,000 acre-feet per year). <b>IRP Alternative 2:</b> Tillman and LAG water reclamation plant expansions and process upgrades with a high potential for water resources projects (up to 53,200 acre-feet per year). <b>IRP Alternative 3:</b> Tillman expansion/process upgrades with moderate potential for water resources projects (up to 43,400 acre-feet per year). <b>IRP Alternative 4:</b> Tillman expansion/process upgrades with a high potential for water resources projects (up to 56,100 acre-feet per year).



The draft EIR shows that the proposed project would result in significant unavoidable adverse impacts to:

- Air quality – Construction of the Alternatives could exceed the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) threshold of significance for all criteria pollutants; and operation would exceed the threshold of significance for NOx and VOCs. There could also be significant odor impacts.
- Cultural Resources – For NEIS II and GBIS, excavations within 0.25 mile of the LA River have a high potential to affect archeological resources and/or human remains. NEIS II and GBIS tunneling could also significantly affect paleontological resources.
- Recreation – Construction of Tillman wet weather storage would result in the temporary closure of the cricket field. Air Treatment Facilities for NEIS II could result in permanent losses of recreational areas. Construction associated with NEIS II and GBIS would significantly affect some recreational facilities.
- Geology – There is a potential for breakage of NEIS II due to surface rupture along the Hollywood-Raymond fault. NEIS II, GBIS, and VSLIS could cause ground settlement.
- Parking – Construction of a shaft site at the Los Angeles Zoo parking lot could displace up to 225 LA Zoo parking spaces.
- Water Quality – there is a remote possibility that NEIS II, GBIS, and possibly VSLIS could suffer a break resulting from an earthquake.

Other impacts identified as significant but would be reduced to a less than significant level with implementation of mitigation measures include impacts to: aesthetic, biological resources, coastal resources, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, population and housing, public services, noise and vibration, utilities, transportation and traffic.

IRP / EIR Public Hearing will be held on the following locations and dates:

San Fernando Valley Area Van Nuys City Hall 6262 Van Nuys Blvd. Van Nuys, CA 91401 Wednesday, January 4, 2006 @7:00 p.m.	Central Los Angeles Area DWP – John Ferraro Building 111 N. Hope St. Los Angeles, CA 90012 Wednesday, January 11, 2006 @10:00 a.m.
West Los Angeles Area Council District 11 7166 W. Manchester Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90045 Saturday, January 7, 2006 @11:00 a.m.	Los Angeles Zoo Witherbee Auditorium 5333 Zoo Drive Los Angeles, CA 90027 Thursday, January 12, 2006 @6:00 p.m.

The draft EIR is available for public review and comment for a period of 90 days beginning on Thursday, December 1, 2005 and ending on Monday, February 27, 2006. Copies of the draft EIR can be viewed at the following locations or online at <http://www.lacity-ipr.org/DraftEIR.pdf>

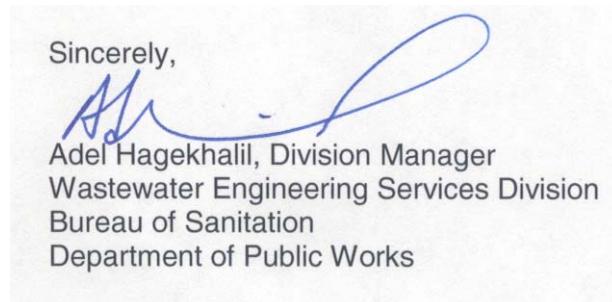
Bureau of Sanitation 2714 Media Center Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90065 Contact: Jawahar P. Shah Tel: (323) 342-6253	Bureau of Engineering 650 S. Spring Street, Room 574 Los Angeles, CA 90014 Contact: Dr. Ara Kasparian Tel: (213) 847-8815	Central Library, Science Tech. & Patents 630 W. Fifth Street Los Angeles, CA 90071 Tel: (213) 228-7200
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The public review period of the draft EIR provides an opportunity for interested persons, agencies, or organizations to comment on the adequacy of the EIR in identifying and analyzing potential significant environmental impacts and how they may be avoided or mitigated. All comments received will become part of the official public record. Persons wishing to submit written comments on the draft EIR may do so at the following address:

Jawahar P. Shah  
City of Los Angeles  
Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation  
Wastewater Engineering Services Division  
2714 Media Center Drive  
Los Angeles, CA 90065

Written comments may also be submitted electronically via e-mail by accessing the City of Los Angeles IRP website <http://www.lacity-irp.org/Draft-EIR-Comments.htm>. All written comments must be received by no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 27, 2006. If you have any questions, please contact Jawahar P. Shah at (323) 342-6253 or Debbie Pham at (323) 342-6256.



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February 27, 2006

## PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

### **UPDATE ON THE INTERGRATED RESOURCES PLAN DRAFT EIR - STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NO. 2004071091**

This is to inform you about current activities relating to the Integrated Resources Plan Draft EIR (IRP-Draft EIR).

The City of Los Angeles has extended the deadline for the public review of the IRP Draft EIR from February 27, 2006 to March 31, 2006, to provide the public additional time to submit their comments.

In addition, the City is considering alignment modifications for the Glendale Burbank Interceptor Sewer (GBIS) alignments analyzed in the DEIR to minimize potential impacts to the community. The alignment modification being considered would connect the eastern portion of the GBIS South Alignment with the western portion of the GBIS North Alignment through a corridor that would include Pass Avenue or the public right-of-way in the vicinity.

The public review process provides interested persons, agencies, and organizations within the City an opportunity to comment on the DEIR. All comments received will become part of the official public record. Please submit your written comments to:

Jawahar P. Shah, EIR Coordinator  
Wastewater Engineering Services Division  
2714 Media Center Drive  
Los Angeles, CA 90065

You may E Mail your comments on the City of Los Angeles IRP website at <http://www.lacity-irp.org/Draft-EIR-Comments.htm> or faxed to 323-342-6210. All comments must be received by no later than 5:00 pm. on Friday, March 31, 2006. If you have any questions, please contact Jawahar P. Shah at (323) 342-6253 or Debbie Pham at (323) 342-6256.



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## PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

**Draft EIR public review  
extended to 5 PM on  
March 31, 2006**

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In addition and in response to the community input, the City is considering alignment modifications for the Glendale Burbank Interceptor Sewer (GBIS) alignments analyzed in the DEIR to minimize potential impacts to the residential neighborhoods. The alignment modifications being considered, which will be analyzed as part of the final EIR, would connect the eastern portion of the GBIS South Alignment along Forest Lawn Drive with the western portion of the GBIS North Alignment in Riverside Drive through a corridor in the public right-of-way in or in the vicinity of Pass Avenue.

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## **Draft EIR public review extended to 5 PM on March 31, 2006**

## **Integrated Resources Plan (IRP) - Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) Comment Sheet**

First Name:..... Last Name:.....

Organization that you represent:.....

Mailing Address:.....

E-mail Address: ..... Telephone: .....

Signature:..... Date:.....

**DEIR Comment Deadline – February 27, 2006, by 5:00 p.m. – extended to March 31, 2006, by 5:00 p.m.**  
**Please return your comments to**

**Jawahar P. Shah, EIR Coordinator - Bureau of Sanitation, WESD, 2714 Media Center Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90065**  
**E Mail to: <http://www.lacity-irp.org/Draft-EIR-Comments.htm> Or Fax to: (323) 342-6210**

Use Back of sheet if more space is needed

## **Mailing Lists**

# Integrated Resources Plan (IRP) Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)

## Notice of Availability (NOA), Total Items Mailed (November 2005)

Name	EIR	Exec Summary	CD	NOA	Email (NOA)
Library	13			13	
Steering Group			118	118	
City Council Members	16	16		16	
City Departments	5	15		40	
Board of Public Works	5	5	5	5	
Regulatory Agencies	65	51		116	
Interested Parties				54	208
Neighborhood Council					114
L.A. Residents & Other Organizations	8			526	
State Clearinghouse	15	15	15	15	
Toluca Lake (list by CD4)				78	
City of Burbank residents (list by City of Burbank)	9	25	80	1485	
City of Glendale residents (list by Steven Lujan)	2	2	1	27	
City of Glendale residents (list by Maurice Oillataguerre)				1004	
City of L.A. / HTP Newsletter				1000	
MAC Members		20			
City of L.A. residents along GBIS (500' each side)				1794	
City of L.A. residents along NEIS (500' each side)				1873	
Public Hearings		8	10	15	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>8179</b>	<b>322</b>

**Integrated Resources Plan (IRP)  
Environmental Impact Report (EIR)**

**Total Mailing List**

Name	Certified Mail	Gray Mail	U.S. Mail	Email (NOA)	Grand Total
Libraries			13		13
Steering Group			118		118
City Departments		40			40
Mayor and City Council Members		16			16
Board of Public Works		5			5
Reg., Contract, State & Federal	51		65		116
Interested Parties			54	208	262
Neighborhood Council				114	114
Citizens & Other Organizations			491		491
State Clearinghouse	15				15
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>741</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>1190</b>

# Integrated Resources Plan (IRP) - Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)

## Public Announcement

**Review Period Extension - February 28, 2006**

Name	U.S. Mail	Email
Library	13	
Steering Group	118	
City Council Members	16	
City Departments	40	
Board of Public Works	5	
Regulatory Agencies	116	
Interested Parties	54	208
Neighborhood Council		114
L.A. Residents & Other Organizations	526	
State Clearinghouse	1	
Toluca Lake (list by CD4)	78	
City of Burbank residents (list by City of Burbank)	1485	
City of Glendale residents (list by Steven Lujan)	27	
City of Glendale residents (list by Maurice Oillataguerre)	1004	
TAC & MAC Members		134
City of L.A. residents along GBIS (500' each side)	1794	
City of L.A. residents along NEIS (500' each side)	1873	
Public Hearings Interested Parties	15	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7165</b>	<b>456</b>

As detailed in Section 1.2 of this Final EIR, the Notice of Availability of the Draft EIR was mailed to over 8,000 persons in the City of Los Angeles. In addition, at the request of the City of Glendale, the NOA was mailed to persons within the City of Glendale.

The Public Announcement noting the extension of the public comment period was sent to all who had been sent the original NOA. Copies of the mailing lists are included in the Administrative Record.

The following public notice was sent by the City of Burbank to its constituents.



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CITY OF BURBANK  
275 EAST OLIVE AVENUE, P.O.BOX 6459, BURBANK, CALIFORNIA 91510-6459  
[www.ci.burbank.ca.us](http://www.ci.burbank.ca.us)

February 24, 2006

Dear Resident/Owner:

This is to inform you that the City of Los Angeles recently proposed a modified alignment to a major City of Los Angeles sewer that may be tunneled under a street in your neighborhood. This letter is intended to provide some background information on the project, and to let you know how you can comment on this proposed project.

**Background**

On November 30, 2005, the City of Los Angeles released a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) to inform the public and decision makers (Los Angeles City Council) of the environmental effects of the Integrated Resources Plan (IRP). The IRP is an integrated wastewater facilities plan that describes the existing wastewater, recycled water, and runoff systems in the City of Los Angeles, identifies system inadequacies based on the needs projected for the year 2020, and provides recommended alternatives to address the future needs of the systems. The IRP would improve and upgrade the City of Los Angeles' wastewater and recycled water systems and runoff management programs through the year 2020.

One of the projects discussed in the Draft EIR is a sewer tunnel project that is proposed to extend from the Los Angeles Zoo to Toluca Lake. The construction of this sewer tunnel project, known as the Glendale-Burbank Interceptor Sewer (GBIS), could have the most construction-related impacts to Burbank of any project identified in the IRP. GBIS is a part of each alternative presented in the IRP.

The GBIS sewer will consist of 5.75 miles of eight-foot diameter pipe. This sewer is designed to carry approximately 50 million gallons per day of average dry weather flow. The GBIS would be constructed using man-entry tunneling methods, with depths up to 120 feet below the surface. This tunnel would be installed between shafts that occur along the tunnel alignment. Each shaft would be up to 60 feet in diameter and up to 120 feet deep. In addition to the shafts, other surface disruptions include the installation of maintenance holes and the construction of an air treatment facility. The construction of GBIS is expected to begin in 2011 and is estimated to take four to five years to complete.

When the Draft EIR was initially released in November 2005, it identified two alternative alignments for GBIS in the Draft EIR - the South Alignment and the North Alignment, shown on the attached map.

**Recent Proposed Changes**

Based on community input received so far, the City of Los Angeles recently informed us that they are considering an alternative alignment to the previously identified North Alignment and South Alignment. This new "hybrid" alignment would travel west along the southern alignment in Forest Lawn Drive to Barham Boulevard avoiding the use of the shaft sites in

and adjacent to the City of Burbank. From Barham Boulevard, the alignment travels go north in either Clybourn Avenue, Rose Avenue or Olive Avenue / Pass Avenue to rejoin with the northern alignment in Riverside Drive and then go west toward North Hollywood. Therefore, this revised route will combine the east part of the southern alignment with the west part of the northern alignment. No additional shaft sites are being proposed for this hybrid alignment.

### **Comment Submittal**

The City of Los Angeles is requesting input and comments from all interested parties on the Draft EIR. As of today, the Draft EIR is available for public review and comment through Monday, February 27, 2006. The City of Los Angeles had indicated it *may* extend the comment period until March 31, 2006. The City of Burbank has urged the City of Los Angeles to extend the comment period to allow adequate time to review and comment on the hybrid alignments.

Copies of the Draft EIR can be viewed at Burbank Public Libraries or online at <http://www.lacity-irp.org/DraftEIR.pdf>. In addition, the City of Burbank Public Works Department will provide electronic copies of the Draft EIR on compact disc (CD). The CDs can be picked up for no charge at the Public Works Department at 333 E. Olive Avenue. If you have questions for City of Burbank staff, please contact Rodney Andersen at (818) 238-3931.

The public review period of the Draft EIR provides an opportunity for interested persons to comment on the adequacy of the EIR in identifying and analyzing potential significant environmental impacts and how they may be avoided or mitigated. All comments received will become part of the official public record. Persons wishing to submit written comments on the Draft EIR may do so at the following address:

Jawahar P. Shah  
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Wastewater Engineering Services Division  
2714 Media Center Drive  
Los Angeles, CA 90065

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Sincerely,

Bonnie Teaford, P.E.  
Interim Public Works Director

## **Correspondence with City of Burbank**



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May 9, 2006

Honorable Jeff Vander Borght, Mayor  
City of Burbank  
275 E. Olive Avenue  
Burbank, CA 91510-6459

Dear Mayor Vander Borght:

Subject: GLENDALE-BURBANK INTERCEPTOR SEWER (GBIS)

Thank you for meeting with me along with members of the City staff on Thursday, April 13, 2006 regarding the Glendale-Burbank Interceptor Sewer (GBIS). It was very worthwhile to further explore the various routes for the GLENDALE-BURBANK INTERCEPTOR SEWER (GBIS) with our common goal of minimizing impacts to the residential neighborhoods in both Burbank and Los Angeles.

During the meeting, we discussed that placing the GBIS along the Los Angeles River right-of-way is not a viable option based on the technical review and advice from our engineering team. As we discussed on several occasions, the risks, difficulties and impacts associated with going along the river right-of-way were far too great to be ignored. However, we agreed to consider any additional information from your staff regarding the viability of the GBIS alignment along the Los Angeles River right-of-way. In addition, going along Valley Spring Lane in Toluca Lake as part of the proposed southern alignment is also risky to the residents in the area due to limited access for major construction and the risk of major failure to two large sewers under Valley Spring Lane that is the outlet for the Valley's wastewater.

Our goal is to keep the sewer alignment within the public right of way and avoid the areas of concerns especially residential neighborhoods. Construction under the golf course or any private property would be undesirable since it doesn't provide adequate access for inspection and maintenance.

We, along with the City's engineering staff, are confident that the proposed hybrid alignment going along Pass Avenue is one that will have the least impact and risk especially to the residential neighborhoods in both Burbank and Los Angeles. The hybrid will navigate through public right-of-way under open space and commercial streets. The benefits along with the potential impacts and mitigation measures with the hybrid alignment will be addressed and documented as part of the Final Environmental Impact Report.

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I have instructed our staff to continue meeting with your city's engineering staff to discuss the following topics: 1) review and discuss any additional information that Burbank staff can provide regarding the viability of the GBIS alignment along the Los Angeles River right-of-way, and 2) explore ways and practices to minimize the construction impact to Burbank residents along Pass Avenue.

Their meetings occurred on April 17 and 28, 2006.

We are eager to work with the City of Burbank to mitigate the impact on all residents of the area while upgrading our aging infrastructure in an effort to protect public health and the environment. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Stacy Marble of my staff at (213) 485-3337.

Sincerely,



TOM LABONGE  
Councilmember, 4<sup>th</sup> District

cc: Dave Golonski, Council Member, City of Burbank  
David W. Gordon, Council Member, City of Burbank  
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June 13, 2006

BonnieTeaford, Director  
City of Burbank, Public Works Department  
275 E. Olive Avenue  
Burbank, CA 91510-6459

Dear Ms. Teaford:

## GLENDALE-BURBANK INTERCEPTOR SEWER (GBIS)

The City of Burbank has submitted five comment letters on the proposed Glendale-Burbank Interceptor Sewer (GBIS) analyzed in the Draft EIR for the City of Los Angeles' wastewater Integrated Resources Plan (IRP). The comments from Burbank also propose an alternate alignment alongside the Los Angeles River for wastewater conveyance. The City of Los Angeles will provide written responses to the comments raised in those letters in the Final EIR for the IRP.

The City of Los Angeles' goal is to keep the sewer alignment within the public right-of-way and avoid or minimize impacts to sensitive areas, most specifically residential neighborhoods, to the maximum extent practicable. The City of Los Angeles issued the "Draft Joint Report to City Council Motion 06-0234" (February 2006) that studies the feasibility of using variations of the North and South GBIS alignment to minimize the impacts of selecting either the North GBIS alignment or the South GBIS alignment.

Subsequent to both the close of the comment period for the Draft EIR and the issuance of the Draft Joint Report, the City of Los Angeles also met with the City of Burbank on various occasions (April 10, 13, 17, and 28, 2006) to discuss GBIS alignment alternatives, in particular the desire to reduce impacts to residential neighborhoods. An equally important objective of the meetings was to understand in greater detail Burbank's specific concerns relevant to the proposed GBIS alignments through Burbank. In particular, staff from the City of Los Angeles and the City of Burbank discussed ways in which to further minimize impacts should the Pass Avenue be selected as GBIS connector.



In an effort to consider all comments received on the Draft EIR, including those raised by the City of Burbank, the City of Los Angeles is currently reviewing all the comments on the Draft EIR to respond to the public's concerns in a way that continues to minimize impacts to residential neighborhoods while maintaining the technical integrity and constructability of the proposed GBIS alignment.

The following issues and voluntarily improvement measures will be recommended by staff to the City of Los Angeles' Council as part of finalizing the EIR prepared in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements:

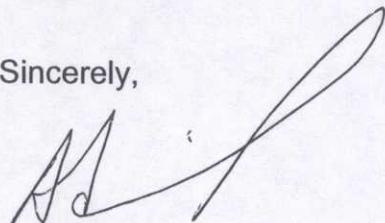
- Rose Street or Clybourn Avenue are not being considered as recommended alignment alternatives. Pass Avenue is being considered as the GBIS connector to minimize the impact to Burbank residents.
- Attempt to eliminate the construction of any maintenance holes in the City of Burbank.
- No tunneling construction shaft sites are being considered in the City of Burbank unless a construction emergency arises. Construction emergencies are not expected to occur.
- Minimize, if not prevent, any surface construction activities in the City of Burbank.
- Implement additional measures to reduce traffic, noise and vibration impacts. The learned measures from similar tunneling projects recently constructed in the City of Los Angeles will be used to further mitigate the impacts on the residents.
  - Traffic: With no maintenance holes being constructed in the City of Burbank, haul truck for construction related would be the main source that would result in traffic impact. Traffic Control Plan will include restricted hours, travel time restriction for construction-related traffic to avoid peak travel period, local traffic detour, protective devices and traffic controls, etc. and provisions to maintain emergency access through construction work areas.
  - Noise: Require the contractor to prepare a noise control plan and also require in construction contracts that all construction equipments be equipped with mufflers and other suitable noise attenuation devices.
  - Vibration: Experience with recently constructed Northeast Interceptor sewer which compares closely in depth and ground type with GBIS was very positive. Vibrations due to tunneling operation was insignificant. Vibrations charts generated by monitoring devices indicated vibrations due to normal surface vehicular traffic exceeded vibrations generated by

tunneling operations. Measures being used in recently constructed sewer projects will be utilized in constructing GBIS. It would include require contractor to prepare a vibration control plan to ensure that groundborne vibration does not exceed the applicable levels at locations along the alignment going through Pass Ave. The Plan would include the use of rubber pads (or ties) or other vibration-insulating material beneath rails to absorb or dampen vibrations, muck car speed restrictions, the use of new or like-new rail and muck cars, and ensuring that rails are aligned with minimal seams.

As we continue to evaluate all the comments received during the Draft EIR comment period, we will ensure that we discuss in the Final EIR the issues you raised in recent meetings, as well as those in the letters you submitted on the Draft EIR. We look forward to continue to work with the City of Burbank to minimize and mitigate whenever practicable the impact on residents of the area while upgrading our aging infrastructure to protect public health and the environment.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (323) 342-6225.

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