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**Subject:** FW: Response to DOWNTOWN WEST MIXED-USE PLAN EIR  
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Please refer to the comment below focusing on transportation and construction impacts.

Thanks,

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Shannon:

I have been raising my concerns as a SAAG member for sometime that the mitigation of traffic impact (and overall quality of life) during all of the construction with DSAP, DISC, and DTW (250 acres) is woefully under-planned. Below is just one excerpt (from the reams of documentation) saying that it will likely be a problem but no one has begun to really model the years-long impact. It should not be up to individual developers or VTA, it should be the responsibility of SJ-DOT.

Please consider the impacts to the thousands of residents like me who live in the downtown core. Furthermore, none of this analysis seems to take into account the Almaden Hotel project which in itself will add 2400 vehicle trips a day to that corner, which is the de facto gateway to downtown from the west.

I am very afraid that this is being evaluated in a fragmented fashion and, as such, will yield real challenges when construction finally begins.

***“Construction of the proposed project may overlap with the construction of BART Phase II, the new Diridon Station, and other nearby developments. If the construction time frames of the major phases and other development projects adjacent to the project site overlap, the***

*project applicant must coordinate with City agencies through the adjacent developers to minimize the severity of any disruption to adjacent land uses and transportation facilities from the overlapping construction transportation effects. **The project applicant**, in conjunction with the adjacent developer(s), **must propose a construction traffic control plan** that includes measures to reduce potential construction traffic conflicts, such as coordinated material drop offs, collective worker parking, SAP Center ingress/egress, and transit to the job site.”*

Thank you for your consideration. Bill



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--Mahatma Gandhi, 10/02/1869 - 01/30/1948

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