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**To:** [Horning, Peggy](#)  
**Cc:** [Hill, Shannon](#)  
**Subject:** Fw: ADEIR Review (Google/Downtown West)  
**Date:** Monday, December 16, 2019 12:12:26 PM  
**Attachments:** [RE Downtown West \(Google\) CEQA Admin. Draft EIR Comments DUE 114 .msg](#)

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Hi Peggy,

I think there were only 1-2 items I referenced for you - could you take a look through as well?

Thanks.

-Julie

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**From:** Hill, Shannon <Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 16, 2019 12:01 PM  
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**Cc:** Benabente, Julie <Julie.Benabente@sanjoseca.gov>; Keyon, David <david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: ADEIR Review (Google/Downtown West)

Hello,

I don't believe I have met any of you in person. I am the environmental project manager for the Downtown West (Google) EIR, and we are under an extremely expedited review timeline to meet AB 900 deadlines associated with this project.

Julie requested review from each of you for various section of the Preliminary Draft EIR, and she noted where she is requesting your input in the PDF of the document. The link Julie provided is in the first email at the bottom of this thread). ***Please provide your comments by COB tomorrow***, so I can compile them and send them to the environmental consultant (ESA) to address before they submit the 2<sup>nd</sup> ADEIR. ESA is working over the holidays and planning to submit the next draft on February 10, 2020.

Comments were due on 12/4 (see attached email circulating the preliminary draft). I have a list of contacts for subsequent drafts because it seems the EIR did not make it to everyone that needs to review it using our standard internal contacts for EIR circulation.

Please let me know when you are done reviewing, so I can download an updated version of the PDF and compile the comments for ESA.

Thanks in advance for reviewing!

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**From:** Hill, Shannon  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 11, 2019 4:59 PM  
**To:** Benabente, Julie <Julie.Benabente@sanjoseca.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: ADEIR Review

Hi Julie,

I just left you a voicemail. We had an all-day meeting with the consultant to go over comments today, and I let them know most of the "District" comments on the Utilities and other sections would be forthcoming. If your team has been working on their review, I think it's best to send the comments sooner rather than later, so the consultant can get started addressing them and ask questions as needed.

This EIR is on an extremely expedited schedule, and there will be a lot more information in the 2<sup>nd</sup> draft, which we will only have three weeks to review, so it's best if we can address any District comments ASAP, especially since the district system approach is out of the ordinary for the entire project team.

Don't worry about sending "non-CEQA" comments or questions. It's important to know about issues that need to be ironed out too .

Would it be possible for your team to finish their review and submit comments back to me by this Friday?

Thanks!

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**From:** Benabente, Julie  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 11, 2019 12:02 PM  
**To:** Hill, Shannon <[Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: ADEIR Review

Hi Shannon, Some of the technical leads didn't have time to review (as you saw from my leftover questions) - should they just wait for the next version to come out or what's your preference? I completely understand that some comments may not be CEQA related so feel free to weed out. This type of review is not something that this team would usually do so unfortunately you'll be seeing some of those type of comments coming back to you.

-Julie

**From:** Hill, Shannon <[Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 6, 2019 4:58 PM  
**To:** Benabente, Julie <[Julie.Benabente@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Julie.Benabente@sanjoseca.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: ADEIR Review

Hi Julie,

Thanks for sending your comments/questions. I scanned through quickly, and it seems you are waiting for input from the rest of your team for most issues. FYI, the only comments I have received from ESA are regarding Phase I and Phase II requirements.

I will incorporate your CEQA-related comments into the compiled comments, as well as some of your recommendations, but it seems a lot of the comments are regarding project decisions that have not been made and will need to be made in order to be analyzed for CEQA compliance. They are not CEQA issues per se; they are project description issues.

I will let you know if I have any questions about your comments, but I will be working over the weekend to wrap up other projects and provide my comments on the EIR, so the comments can be submitted to the environmental consultant on Monday. We are having a meeting with the consultant to discuss comments next Wednesday.

Thanks, and I'll be in touch.

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**From:** Benabente, Julie  
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**To:** Hill, Shannon <[Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov)>  
**Subject:** ADEIR Review

Hi Shannon,

I sent the document linked below to technical leads for stormwater, recycled water/ wastewater, waste and energy and didn't hear back on anything directly. So I'm sending this to you anyways as I did have some comments/questions and many of them (because I'm not normally in a CEQA review process) could be quickly answered by you. If you think it's worthwhile, we could have a phone call to go through or you could send back embedded comments responding. I recognize how busy you are though so OK if you need to proceed as you see fit after seeing our comments and we'll have future review. Thanks.

-Julie



[DowntownWestMUPlan\\_ADEIR1\\_2019-11-04-District Comments-Draft.pdf](#)

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**From:** Hill, Shannon  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 5, 2019 9:38 AM  
**To:** Chen, Amy; Chen, Amy; VanderVeen, Rachel; Blair, Geoffrey; Rozario, Sharona; Donald, Jessica; Shimamoto, Mike; Do, Ryan; Marcus, Adam; Baviere, Olivier; Ross, Rebekah; Mendez, Zacharias; Khattab, Zahi; Greene, Cary; Sheelen, Ryan; Lapustea, Florin; Trejo, Liana; Arroyo, Juliet; Hansen, Russell; Tom, Vivian  
**Cc:** Han, James; Tu, John; Keyon, David; Le, Thai-Chau; Van Der Zweep, Cassandra; Manford, Robert; Hughey, Rosalynn  
**Subject:** RE: Downtown West (Google): CEQA Admin. Draft EIR, Comments DUE 11/4

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Due By:** Wednesday, November 20, 2019 9:30 AM  
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Hi All,

A couple people pointed out a typo in my email below. Please refer to the revisions. The comments are due by December 4, 2019. The consultant's schedule shows that all comments need to be compiled and submitted to the team by December 7, 2019, so that will give me a couple days to compile everyone's comments.

In addition, I inadvertently left Rosalynn and Robert off of my email last night. Sorry about that.

Thank you,

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**Subject:** Downtown West (Google): CEQA Admin. Draft EIR, Comments DUE 11/4  
**Importance:** High

Hello Everyone,

An Administrative Draft EIR for the Downtown West Mixed-Use Plan (Google): (Planning File Nos. GP19-009, PDC19-039, and PD19-029) is available for your review. You can access the documents here: <http://www.sjcity.net/index.aspx?nid=773>.

There are no technical reports currently attached to the ADIR. However, Appendix B contains the cumulative project list for analysis, and Appendix D contains supporting information for the Biological Resources section.

In order to maintain the schedule for this project, ***please provide written comments by ~~November~~ December 4, 2019***. If you are unable to maintain this schedule, please let me know.

We appreciate your review and written comments regarding the adequacy of the document, including identification of any inaccuracies, missing analysis, or inappropriate impact conclusions. Please remember that this document is an administrative draft and is not public information.

Please note that this is a partial/preliminary administrative draft EIR. This submittal does not include Air Quality, Energy, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Noise and Vibration, Transportation, or the Historical Architectural Resources portion of the Cultural Resources chapter. The consultant has included highlighted notes in the compiled PDF indicating what is missing, and I provided a "Review Note" indicating what is missing from this draft, along with further instruction. Although this partial draft does not include some of the sections that will be the focus of various department reviews, please closely review the project description and any other sections of interest for this round of review.

Also, please note that this may be the last time you will have an opportunity to submit your written comments on this environmental document before it is circulated for public review, unless your area of expertise includes the chapters that have not been submitted for the 1<sup>st</sup> ADEIR. It is not appropriate for City staff to submit comments on the EIR during the public review period.

Thank you in advance for your assistance!

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