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From: Laura Krebs [<mailto:lkrebs@SanDiego.gov>]  
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To: Jennifer Ayala  
Subject: Hillel - Draft MND

Hi Jennifer.

I am working on the draft MND for the Hillel of UCSD project and was reviewing all the technical reports supporting the project.

Upon closer review of the biology survey letter report (RECON, Sept. 25, 2003), the recommendations within the report don't make sense. I have discussed the report with City staff whom have extensive biological knowledge and shown pictures of the site or have knowledge of the site and surrounding area.

The City doesn't agree with the recommendation, by RECON, that a pre-construction (clearing of the 4 eucalyptus trees along LJ Village Drive) focus survey be conducted for potential raptor nests. Having been at the site and looking again at photos of the 4 eucalyptus trees on site, a focused survey is not required, nor should the construction activities be limited to Sept. 1 thru Jan. 31st.

Could you have RECON revise the recommendations of the biology report and then send me the revised report for my file? This request will not hold up the writing of the environmental document, but I would like to have the revised report before public review begins for the draft MND.

As you are aware, the public is very interested in this project and all technical reports can be reviewed/copied by the public. That being said, a revised biology report is necessary for consistency with the City's determination that no mitigation is required for biological resources (raptors).

Please call me at 619.446.5346 if I have completely confused you or if you would like to discuss further.

Thanks, Laura

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