

**SECTION 9.0  
COMMENTS AND RESPONSES**

[Note: this Section will be completed when the Final EIR is prepared, in accordance with Section 15088(d) of the CEQA Guidelines]

**9.1 INTRODUCTION**

As required by Section 15088 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, the County of San Luis Obispo, as the CEQA lead agency, has reviewed each of the comments received on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Las Pilitas Quarry Project and has prepared responses to the written comments received. The DEIR was circulated for a 45-day public review period that began \_\_\_\_\_, 2013 and concluded on \_\_\_\_\_, 2013. The comment letters included herein were submitted by federal, state, regional, and local public agencies and private organizations.

Each comment that the lead agency received is included in this section. Responses to these comments have been prepared to address the environmental concerns raised by the commenters and to indicate where and how the Final EIR addresses pertinent environmental issues.

The comment letters have been numbered sequentially, and each issue within a comment letter, if more than one, has a number assigned to it. Each comment letter is reproduced in its entirety with the issues of concern numbered in the right margin. References to the responses to comments identify first the letter number, and second, the numbered comment. Letters are numbered by the type of organization from which they were sent (federal, state, regional, county, local), or by organization (S.1-2, for example, would reference the second issue of concern within the first letter received from a state agency).

The focus of the Lead Agency's responses to comments is the disposition of environmental issues that are raised in the comments, as specified by Section 15088 (b) of the State CEQA Guidelines. Detailed responses are not provided to comments on the merits of the proposed project. CEQA does not require a lead agency to conduct every test or perform all research, study, and experimentation recommended or demanded by commenters. When responding to comments, lead agencies need only respond to significant environmental issues and do not need to provide all information requested by reviewers, as long as a good faith effort at full disclosure is made in the EIR (Section 15204(a)).

The Draft EIR, as revised, and this Comments and Responses section collectively comprise the Final EIR for the Las Pilitas Quarry Project. Any changes made to the text of the Draft EIR correcting information, data or intent, other than minor typographical corrections or minor working changes, as a result of comments received are noted in this Section of the

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Final EIR. These changes have been incorporated without notation within the Final EIR body and in the responses to individual comments, and are summarized in Section 9.3, *Revisions to the Draft EIR*.

### **9.2 COMMENTERS ON THE DRAFT EIR**

Commenters on the Draft EIR include state agencies, county agencies, regional agencies, local agencies and private organizations. These are shown in Table 9.2-1.

### **9.3 REVISIONS TO THE DRAFT EIR**

This section presents clarification and modifications to information contained in the Draft EIR, based on the comments and responses presented in Section 9.2. Additions are underlined (underlined) where text is added and deletions are strike-through (~~strike-through~~) type. The numbers in brackets refer to the applicable comment number from the comments and responses discussed in Section 9.2.

Collectively, these revisions clarify or amplify the analysis in the Draft EIR and none of them would result in new significant environmental effects. Pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5(b), recirculation of the Draft EIR is not required.

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**TABLE 9.2-1  
COMMENTERS ON THE DRAFT EIR**

| <b>Letter #</b>          | <b>Commenter</b> | <b>Agency/Organization</b> | <b>Date</b> |
|--------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| <b>State Agencies</b>    |                  |                            |             |
| S.1                      |                  |                            |             |
| S.2                      |                  |                            |             |
| S.3                      |                  |                            |             |
| Etc.                     |                  |                            |             |
| <b>Regional Agencies</b> |                  |                            |             |
| R.1                      |                  |                            |             |
| R.2                      |                  |                            |             |
| R.3                      |                  |                            |             |
| Etc.                     |                  |                            |             |
| <b>County Agencies</b>   |                  |                            |             |
| C.1                      |                  |                            |             |
| C.2                      |                  |                            |             |
| C.3                      |                  |                            |             |
| Etc.                     |                  |                            |             |
| <b>Local Agencies</b>    |                  |                            |             |
| L.1                      |                  |                            |             |
| L.2                      |                  |                            |             |
| L.3                      |                  |                            |             |
| Etc.                     |                  |                            |             |
| <b>Organizations</b>     |                  |                            |             |
| O.1                      |                  |                            |             |
| O.2                      |                  |                            |             |
| O.3                      |                  |                            |             |
| Etc.                     |                  |                            |             |
| <b>Individuals</b>       |                  |                            |             |
| I.1                      |                  |                            |             |
| I.2                      |                  |                            |             |
| I.3                      |                  |                            |             |
| Etc.                     |                  |                            |             |

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