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I would like to document additional concerns regarding project impacts to assessor's parcel number 073-100-016, 1291 Freestone Flat Rd.

These concern the front fence and gate, access to water taps and a gate keypad located in the proposed right of way, temporary driveway routing and modifications to the existing driveway to meet the new path of Freestone Flat Road.

I recently obtained a complete plan set for the bridge project from Permit Sonoma. None of the 32 pages show the location of the front fence and gate so I can only guess where it is positioned relative to the proposed right of way or temporary construction easement.

Project manager John Leong has stated that all work will take place outside the existing front fence and gate. However it is obvious that the segment of front fence perpendicular to Freestone Flat road, just before the existing bridge, falls within the proposed right of way and would be removed to accommodate the modified roadway's approach to the west end of the new bridge. This leaves only a short segment of fence running parallel to the road to the east of the driveway. This by itself does nothing to prevent driving over flat terrain to circumvent it. I propose extending that portion of the front fence to the East to recreate a more effective barrier to entry.

Likewise the construction of a temporary driveway would appear to necessitate removal of a portion of the front fence running parallel to Freestone Flat Road to the west of the existing driveway. Presumably the project will see to it that in the end the property will be left with a functional front fence and gate again. Given that the gate keypad appears to fall within the proposed right of way I'm not sure how that will be resolved.

Modifications to the existing driveway to meet the new path of Freestone Flat Road will result in a much shorter and steeper slope between the road inside the gate, which is flat, and the new path of the road, which will be closer (by 28 feet) and higher (by 1 foot 9 inches.) The plan set notes a slope of 9.5% max. I'm concerned that the new driveway may be too short and steep to safely merge onto the roadway where traffic will no longer have to slow down to navigate a one lane bridge.

I propose that the temporary gravel driveway, built to provide access to the property during the year of construction, be paved and made permanent. It will provide not only a more gradual slope but better visibility for oncoming traffic.

There are two water taps located within the proposed right of way that are in use currently providing irrigation to the North end of the property. These will need to be relocated outside of the temporary construction easement and made functional for use during construction.



East facing fence to be removed and not replaced and gate keypad within the

proposed right of way.



Fence likely to be impacted by the temporary driveway and one of two water taps within the proposed right of way.



Second water tap and the flat terrain behind the east facing fence to be removed and not replaced. Bases of two sentinel Cypress to be cut.

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