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Dear Ms. Poling:

I find the draft SEIR for the Balboa Reservoir deficient in many ways. He is my comment on some of them.

- 1. This is not a complete report. It does not re-study many areas of the original Balboa Station Area Plan that included a much smaller housing project. Much larger project = larger impact.
- 2. I find the report's statements regarding transportation and traffic greatly underestimate the impacts of the proposed project. As a transit first person, who has commuted to CCSF on MUNI from Castro and Market for several years, I have had experience with existing delays and trouble spots. Especially troubling are statements where mitigation is not found necessary. I disagree.
- 3. Here are some areas where I find mitigation will be necessary if based on the already overburdened streets and transit options. It is my fear that in many of these cases, satisfactory mitigation is not feasible.
 - Over the last year my commute has frequently gone from 35 minutes to over an hour.
 - Heading to CCSF I can take the Muni K directly from Castro and Market to Lee Avenue station or transfer at Forrest Hill to the 43. Unfortunately K cars frequently stop for up to 10 minutes at St Francis Circle to reconfigure and even during non peak times, the ride down Ocean Avenue is very slow. Also there are frequent delays in the tunnel. Busline 43 has its own set of issues. Scheduled busses frequently fall out. Much of the route is on curvy or very narrow streets and traffic on Frieda Kahlo way can pack up to

the point that walking from the Judson/Kahlo stop to the Bookstore stop can be faster than staying on the bus.

- The central islands on Ocean Avenue are dangerous. Undergrounding the K line on Ocean would help in many areas, but is this a realistic possibility?
- When I walk past Lee Ave, it is clear to this non-professional eye that entry to the housing project via Lee Ave. extension will be a disaster. Traffic and loading in and out of the Parking lot off Lee is already problematic. Vehicular entry onto Ocean Ave. off neighboring side streets is also already difficult.
- Many residents in the proposed project will opt for ride sharing services. We are seen the negative effects of this on congestion in other parts of the city.

To date there is not a plan in place to provide mitigation for exacerbated traffic and transportation conditions that will be caused by construction of a project that is many times denser that the surrounding neighborhoods. This monster sized project is inappropriate for this site.

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