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Subject: RE: Newhall Ranch master plan

This Newhall Ranch master plan either needs to be thrown out or completely retooled. Moving forward with the Newhall Ranch plan will have a great adverse environmental impact upon native plant habitat, wildlife, and water supply. Lack of future water supply alone should curb this plan. I will also raise the issue of urban over-crowding and traffic congestion.

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Response 1

The Corps and CDFG appreciate the comments provided in your letter. Your opinion regarding the proposed Project will be included as part of the record and made available to decision makers prior to a final decision on the proposed Project. However, because the comment does not address the content of the Draft EIS/EIR, no additional response is provided. Please also note that the Newhall Ranch Specific Plan (or the "master plan" as referred to in this comment) was previously approved by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in 2003. The RMDP and SCP projects evaluated by the Draft EIS/EIR have been proposed to implement the previously approved Specific Plan.

Response 2

The comment addresses subject areas that received extensive analysis in the Draft EIS/EIR, **Section 4.3**, Water Resources; **Section 4.5**, Biological Resources; and **Section 4.8**, Traffic. In addition, for further responsive information, please see revised **Sections 4.3, 4.5, and 4.8** of the Final EIS/EIR. The comment does not raise any specific issues regarding the analysis provided in the Draft EIS/EIR; therefore, no additional response is provided. However, the comment will be included as part of the record and made available to the decision makers prior to a final decision on the proposed Project.