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TO: Newhall Ranch Project: Care should br taken not to impact the upper sections of the Santa Clara River. As growth expands between Santa Clarita and the Acton areas, more of the headwater from the San Gabriel Mnts is being used. The flow of the River must be sustained. 1

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121. Email from Dean Webb, dated August 22, 2009

Response 1

The Corps and CDFG appreciate the comment provided in your email. Draft EIS/EIR **Section 4.2**, Geomorphology and Riparian Resources, provided extensive analysis of impacts that may result from Project-related changes to water flow in the River. The analysis concluded that Project-related impacts related to storm water flow would be reduced to a less-than-significant level with implementation of mitigation measures identified in the EIS/EIR. In addition, for further responsive information, please see revised **Section 4.2** of the Final EIS/EIR. Your opinion regarding impacts to the upper sections of the Santa Clara River will be included as part of the record and made available to decision makers prior to a final decision on the proposed Project. Because the comment expresses an opinion regarding the project and does not address the content of the Draft EIS/EIR, no additional response is provided.