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**Subject:** Hollywood Center Project-Environmental Impact Report

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Dear planners,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Vedanta Society of Southern California in accord with the California Environmental Quality Act.

Our temple is situated almost exactly across the 101 Fwy from the project. We have been here for about 90 years and we also own several rental properties closeby.

Our congregation consists largely of professional Asians of Indian ancestry. They reside mostly south of us in places like Cerritos, Torrance and Rancho Palos Verdes. Consequently they must travel to get to us. So how will **traffic** be handled during that extensive period of construction? And after construction, how much more congestion will there be on the streets?

Secondly, our temple struggles to handle the normal air pollution generated from the freeway. This construction project will likely create a lot more **particulate and non-particulate contaminants**, some of which may be carcinogenic. How will you help us mitigate this increased particulate and possibly toxic load so that we can protect our congregants when they come here for services?

Third, will **homeless** people be pushed further up into the Dell by all the construction disruption?

Finally, although not completely, what about the **noise level** and the times of day that noise will disrupt our routines? Although the freeway and Franklin Ave separates our properties, it is still quite close. For example, our meditation periods are in the morning until 7:30 AM and again in the evening it ends approximately at 7 PM, but that is followed (at least 3 days/wk) by classes that go until beyond 8:30 PM. Will meditators have quiet times and will our speakers have to compete with noise from the project in order to be heard?

We also have Sunday lectures at 11 AM. **Will construction be going on 24/7?** You may verify our weekly schedule on [vedanta.org](http://vedanta.org).

I am a member of the convent which is located at 2027 Vine St. This building sits higher up on the hill, only a block away from the temple. Due to our higher elevation, noise always impacts us more than at the temple.

You may respond to me at the above email.

Sincerely,  
Sister Renee LaPan  
AKA Vidyaprana