3. Future Without Project Conditions

In order to evaluate the potential impacts of the proposed project, it was necessary to first estimate and evaluate future traffic conditions without the project (the no project conditions). The year selected for this future baseline analysis was 2008, which is the projected year of completion for the proposed project.

Future traffic forecasts were estimated by predicting two separate components of traffic growth in the study area.

The first component represents ambient growth, that is a general growth in traffic volumes due to regional growth and development outside of the study area. A growth rate of 1% per year was assumed for this ambient traffic growth. The existing traffic counts were therefore adjusted upward by a total of 9.4% to represent this regional growth to the year 2008.

The second component of future growth and traffic volumes relates to specific development projects in the study area that are under planning consideration and potentially could be in place by the year 2008 when the proposed project will be completed. The following section of this chapter describes the process of estimating traffic from these cumulative projects.

Cumulative Projects

Project List

A list of proposed development projects within about a 1½ mile radius of the project site was prepared based on information from a variety of sources including the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation, the City of Los Angeles Planning Department and the Community Redevelopment Agency. In conjunction with the City of Los Angeles staff, a total of 28 related projects were identified whose traffic has the potential to affect the study intersections selected for inclusion in this study. These related projects are in some stage of the approval/entitlement process, ranging from projects that are under construction to projects that are proceeding through the planning process. The locations of the related projects are show on Figure 9. Projected traffic from these potential projects was added to the street network in the study area to obtain traffic forecasts for the future no project condition. This three-stage process is described below.

Trip Generation

The trip generation estimates for the individual related projects are summarized in Table 5. For analysis purposes, the 28 individual projects were grouped into 18 geographic zones, as discussed below. As shown in Table 5, the anticipated trip generation for each project was calculated for the weekday afternoon peak hour (5:00-6:00 PM) and for the Saturday evening (7:00-8:00 PM) study hour. The total trip generation of the related projects would be approximately 10,690 trips during the weekday afternoon peak hour (4,920 inbound and 5,775 outbound). These same projects would generate approximately 5,898 trips during the 7-8 PM Saturday evening hour (2,520 inbound and 2,690 outbound).

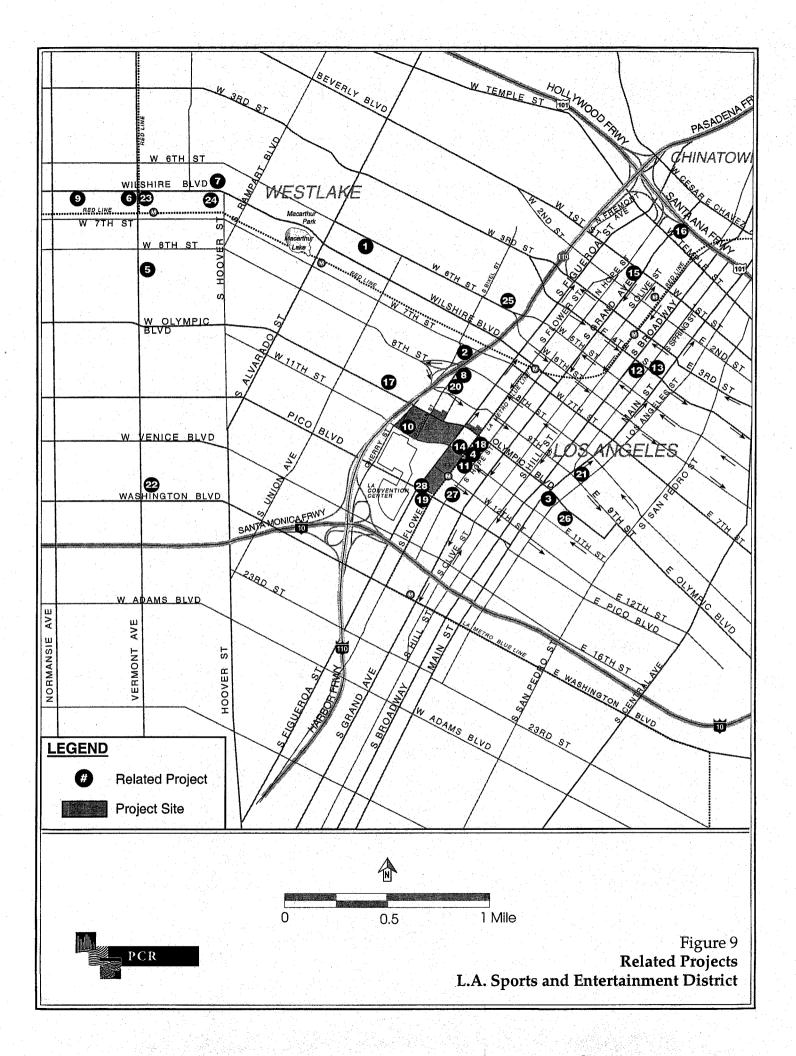


TABLE 5
TRIP GENERATION ESTIMATES

									700.141		ITE Trips							
	PROJECT						ITE			PM PEA			ENING					
Proj#		No.	LOCATION	SIZE	UNITS	USE	LAND USE#	DAILY	IN	OUT	TOTAL	IN	OUT	TOTAL				
Zone :	### ##################################																	
5	Office Building	850	S Vermont Av	44	KSF	General Office Bldg.	710	635	20	96	116	3	13	15				
6	Mixed Use	3240	Wilshire Bl	109	KSF	retail	820	6,485	287	311	599	215	199	414				
7	Mixed Use	2959-2973	Wilshire BI	142 27	DU KSF	apartments spcialty retail	220 814	847 988	53 27	26 36	79 63	28 15	21 36	49 51				
9	Ambassador Entert/	3400	Wilshire Bl	693 4000	KSF KSF	retail Theater w/o Matinee	820 443	21,301 7,728	974 573	1,055 37	2,029 610	277 578	255 30	532 608				
23	Retail Center Restaurant	674	Vermont Av	15.6	KSF	High Turn-over Rest.		2,085	104	70	174	113	56	169				
24	Restaurant	3000	Wilshire Bl	8	KSF	Quality Restaurant	831	648	36	18	54	52	26	78				
						Subtotal		40,718	2,074	1,650	3,724	596	636	1,917				
Zone	#2																	
22	Auto Store	1561	W Washington Bl	14.2	KSF	Auto Care Center	840	224	24	24	48	5	3	8				
Zone	#3										*							
25	Los Angeles Ctr Ph-1		N of 6th St	880 10	KSF KSF		710 820	6,346 0	163 0	797 0	959 0	53 0	256 0	309 0				
						Subtotal		6,346	163	797	959	53	256	309				
Zone	#4																	
2	Medici Apartments	722-725	Bixel St	658	DU	Apartments specialty retail	220 814	3,927 1,831	246 50	122 67	367 117	128 28	97 67	225 95				
				50	KSF	specially retail	014	1,001	30	01	4.17	20	0,	90				

TABLE 5
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							ITE	1.0		PM PEA			RDAY EV	
roj#	PROJECT	No.	LOCATION	SIZE	UNITS	USE	LAND USE #	DAILY	IN	OUT	TOTAL	IN	OUT	TOTAL
one :	#5													
17	Mixed Use		NE corner of	60	KSF	specialty retail	814	2,196	60	80	140	34	79	113
12.5			Albany/Olympic	40	KSF	WareHouse	150	198	16	5	21	3	2	5
				10	KSF	General Office Bidg.	710	99	3	11	14	1	3	4
				5	KSF	Day Care Center	565	396	31	35	66	0	0	0
						Subtotal		2,889	110	131	241	38	84	122
one.	#6													
8	Metropolis (Phase 1)		SW corner of	567	KSF	office	710	4,366	74	347	420	26	128	155
			Fransisco/8th	5	KSF	retail	814	0	0	0	0	0	0)	0
20	Metropolis (Ph 2-5)		8th/Georgia/9th	1092	KSF	office	710	8,410	137	671	809	51	247	298
20	ivica opona (i ii 2-0)		Othrocolgica our	201	KSF	retail	820	6,036	252	274	526	70	65	135
				600		amphitheater	441	1,200	4	4	8	120	0	120
				700	rooms		310	4,033	158	141	299	182	161	343
						Subtotal		24,045	625	1,437	2,062	449	602	1,051
Zone	#7													
11	Toy Center Reuse		Flower/11th	4.05	KSF	specialty retail	814	116	4	4	8	2	4	6
	10) Contor House			17	KSF	Quality restaurant	831	1,070	60	29	89	87	43	129
				36	KSF	General Office Bldg.	710	277	6	32	38	2	8	10
						Subtotal		1,463	69	65	134	90	55	145
Zone	#8													
14	Holiday Inn Expansion		Flower/11th	300	rooms	s hotel	310	1,728	68	60	128	78	69	147
Zone	#9													
18	Mixed Use	615	Olympic Bl	66	DU	apartments	220	350	22	11	33	11	9	20

TABLE 5
TRIP GENERATION ESTIMATES

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Proj#	PROJECT	No.	LOCATION	SIZE	UNITS	USE	LAND USE#	DAILY	IN	001	TOTAL	IN	OUT	TOTAL
one	#10													
4	Mixed Use		11th/Hope/Flower	200 20		apartments specialty retail	220 814	1,061 650	66 18	33 24	99 42	35 10	26 24	61 34
						Subtotal		1,711	84	57	141	45	49	94
Zone	#11													
10	Convent. Ctr. Expansion		Venice/11th/ Cherry/Figueroa	280	KSF			2,400	120	70	190	26	15	41
Zone	#12													
19	Parking Center		SW corner Flower/Pico	40	KSF	specialty retail	814	1,464	41	53	94	23	53	76
Zone	#13													
27	Retail Clothing Outlet	727-735	E 12th St	15.8	KSF	Apparel Store	870	1,052	30	30	60	0	0	0
Zone	#14													
3	Accessory Center		Main/11th/Olympic /Los Angeles	32.5 7.9	KSF KSF	apparel store mini warehouse	870 151	2,158 20	62 1	62 1	124 2	0 0	0 0	0 0
26	Garment Bldg Net	1015	S Wall	25.4	KSF	apparel store	870	1,687	49	49	98	0	o	0
						Subtotal		3,865	112	112	224	0	0	0
Zone	#15													
21	Retail		NE Corner Main/9th	151	KSF	retail	820	7,108	317	343	660	60	56	116

TABLE 5 TRIP GENERATION ESTIMATES

		The same transfer									ITE Trips			
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aoj #	PROJECT	No.	LOCATION	SIZE	UNITS	USE	LAND USE#	DAILY	IN	OUT	TOTAL	IN	OUT	TOTAL
one:	#16													
12	Old Bank District		4th/Spring	237	DU	condominium	230	1,111	69	34	102	41	31	72
13	Eldorado Hotel		4th/Spring	125	rooms	hotel	310	823	32	29	61	37	30	67
15	Disney Hall		SW comer	2835	seats	theater		5,040	35	35	70	409	22	431
			Grand/1st	22.4	KSF	office		240	4	25	29	1	5	6
				25	KSF	ball room		3,554	180	173	353	180	173	353
				17.2	KSF	retail		209	5	6	11	30	28	58
16	Lady of the Angels		Grand Av	3000	seats	cathedral		592	244	34	278	17	122	139
						Subtotal		11,569	569	334	904	715	411	1,126
one	#17													
1	Shopping Center	1700-1764	W 6th St	76	KSF	Shopping Center	820	2,936	123	133	256	150	139	289
one	#18													
-00	O# B:		Pico/Figueroa/	20	KSF	retail	814	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	Office Project		Flower	225	KSF	General Office Bldg.	710	1,734	40	195	235	10	51	61
				* 1		Subtotal		1,734	40	195	235	10	50	61
		<u> </u>	TOTAL ADJUSTE	- 				117,360	4,886	5,689	10,576	2,505	2,649	5,843

LEGEND

- -using best fit curve method
- -retail assumed to be ancillary to office use; No trips generated.
- -assumed closed on Saturday night: therefore no trip generation
 -from Crain & Associates, Traffic Impact Study and Parking Analysis for the Metropolis Mixed-Use Project, January 1989.
- -using rates for Live Theater

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 -Traffic Study for First Street South Plaza EIR. Kaku Associates, Inc., January 1995.
 -Our Lady of the Angels Cathedral Traffic Study by Meyer, Mohaddes Assoc.

The related projects would generate a total of approximately 118,590 trips over the course of a 24-hour weekday. It should be noted that because of the large geographic distribution of the related projects (see Figure 9), not all of these trips would travel through the study area and traverse the study intersections.

Table 6 illustrates the trip generation rates utilized to calculate trips for the related projects discussed above. Unless noted, the trip rates were obtained from the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), $Trip\ Generation - 6^{th}\ Edition$. Included in the Table are the mode split assumptions applied to the trip rates. Because the related projects are located within the downtown area and a high transit service area, mode split factors were applied to represent the use of transit to/from these projects, in keeping with transit use characteristics in the downtown. These factors are shown in the last column of Table 6.

Trip Distribution

For traffic assignment purposes, the 28 projects were grouped into 18 geographic zones. Traffic from each zone was assigned to the street system according to the distribution of residential and employment opportunities for each related project. While the trip distribution varies with each land use type, the general distribution of related project trips is as follows:

To/From	<u>Via</u>	Percentage
North	freeways	25 – 30%
North/East	surface streets	10 - 15%
East	freeways	10 - 20%
South	freeways	10 – 15%
South	surface streets	5 – 10%
West	freeways	15 - 20%
West	surface streets	10 - 15%

Trip Assignment

Traffic was then assigned to the street network in the study area based on the trip generation estimates and trip distribution information described above. It should be noted that not all cumulative project traffic will be added to the roadways in the study area. While some of this traffic will traverse roadways in the study area, some of the traffic will also disperse from some of the cumulative projects to other parts of the region without passing through this study area.

This process, along with the addition of the ambient growth in traffic described earlier, provided projections of future 2008 traffic volumes without the project for each of the two time periods, representing the future no project conditions. These projections are shown in Figures 10 and 11 for the weekday PM peak hour, and Saturday evening peak hour respectively.

TABLE 6 TRIP GENERATION RATES

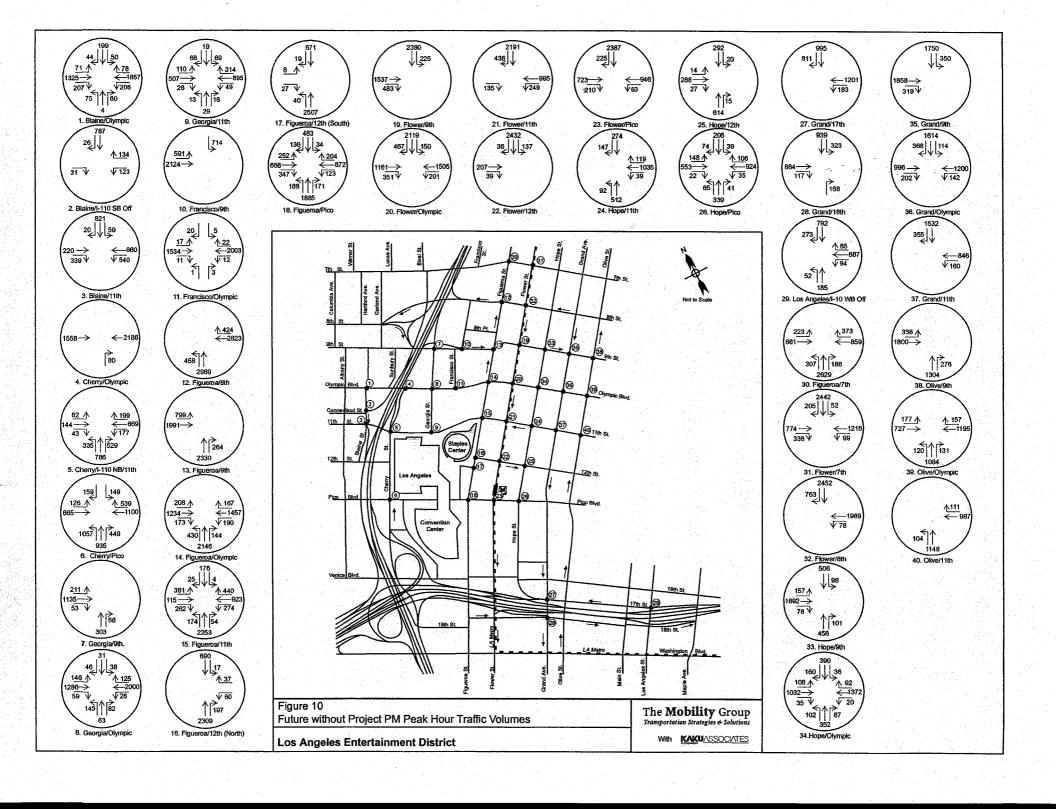
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Proj#	PROJECT	USE	LAND	DAILY		IN	OUT		IN	OUT	Split
			USE#	RATE	RATE	<u>%</u>	%	RATE	<u>%</u>	%	(%)
Zone	#1										
5	Office Building	General Office Bldg.	710	11.01	1.49	17%	83%	0.39	17%	83%	90%
6	Mixed Use	retail	820	42.92	3.74	48%	52%	4.22	52%	48%	90%
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7	Mixed Use	apartments specialty retail	220 814	6.63 40.67	0.62 2.59	67% 43%	33% 57%	0.39 2.10	57% 30%	43% 70%	90% 90%
9	Ambassador Entert/	retail	820	42.92	3.74	48%	52%	0.96	52%	48%	90%
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Retail Center	Theater w/o Matinee	443	1.80	0.14	53%	47%	0.19	95%	5%	90%
23	Restaurant	High Turn-over Rest.	832	130.34	10.86	60%	40%	10.86	67%	33%	100%
24	Restaurant	Quality Restaurant	831	89.95	7.49	67%	33%	10.86	67%	33%	90%
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Zone	#2										
22	Auto Store	Auto Care Center	840	15.86	1.00	50%	50%	-	· •	-	100%
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Zone	#3										
25	Los Angeles Ctr Ph-1A	General Office Bldg. retail	710 820	11.01 42.92	1.49 3.74	17% 48%	83% 52%	0.39 0	17% 0	83% 0	90% 100%
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Zone	#4		. 4								
2	Medici Apartments	Apartments	220	6.63	0.62	67%	33%	0.39	57%	43%	90%
	mount than antering	specialty retail	814	40.67	2,59	43%	57%	2.10	30%	70%	90%
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Zone	#5								1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		
17	Mixed Use	specialty retail	814	40.67	2.59	43%	57%	2.10	30%	70%	90%
		WareHouse General Office Bldg.	150 710	4.96 11.01	0.51 1.49	24% 17%	76% 83%	0.39	17%	83%	100% 90%
		Day Care Center	565	79.26	13.20	47%	53%	0.39	0	03%	100%
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Zone	#6										. v
8	Metropolis (Phase 1)	office	710	11.01	1.49	17%	83%	0.39	17%	83%	70%
		retail	814	40.67	2.59	43%	57%	0	0	0	70%
20	Metropolis (Ph 2-5)	office	710	11.01	1.49	17%	83%	0.39	17%	83%	70%
		retail amphitheater	820 441	42.92 0.02	3.74 1.00	48% 50%	52% 50%	0.96	52% -	48%	100% 70%
		hotel	310	8.23	0.61	53%	47%	0.70	53%	47%	70%
7	47										
Zone											
11	Toy Center Reuse	specialty retail Quality restaurant	814 831	40.67 89.95	2.59 7.49	43% 67%	57% 33%	2.10 10.86	30% 67%	70% 33%	70% 70%
		General Office Bldg.	710	11.01	1.49	17%	83%	0.39	17%	83%	70%
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Zone											
14	Holiday Inn Expansion	hotel	310	8.23	0.61	53%	47%	0.70	53%	47%	70%
Zone	#9										
	Mixed Use	apartments	220	6.63	0.62	67%	33%	0.38	57%	43%	80%
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Zone	#10							e e e			
4	Mixed Use	apartments	220	6.63	0.62	67%	33%	0.38	57%	43%	80%
		specialty retail	814	40.67	2.59	43%	57%	2.10	30%	70%	80%

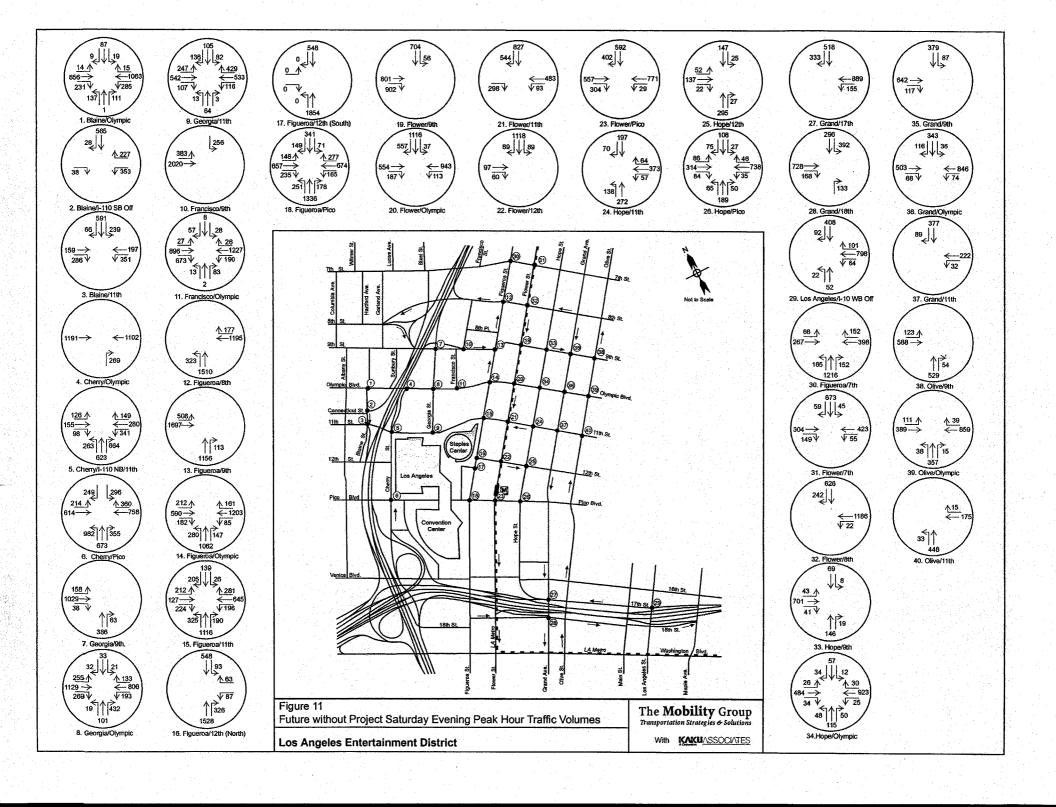
TABLE 6 TRIP GENERATION RATES

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Proj#	PROJECT	USE	ITE LAND	DAILY		PM PEA	OUT	S	ATURDA IN	OUT	Mode Split
Proj#	PROJECT	J 35E	USE#	RATE	RATE	%	%	RATE	%	%	(%)
Zone	#11										
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10	Convent. Ctr. Expansion			[6]	[6]	[6]	[6]	-	•		100%
Zone	#12			<i>a.</i>							
19	Parking Center	specialty retail	814	40.67	2.59	43%	57%	2.10	30%	70%	90%
7	440						******				
Zone	#13						25 14 1 25 25				
27	Retail Clothing Outlet	Apparel Store	870	66.40	3.83	50%	50%	0	0	0	100%
Zone	#14										
3	Accessory Center	apparel store	870	66.40	3.83	50%	50%	0	0	0	100%
		mini warehouse	151	2.50	0.26	51%	49%	0	0	0	100%
26	Garment Bldg Net	apparel store	870	66.40	3.83	50%	50%	0	0	0	100%
						-					
Zone	#15										
21	Retail	retail	820	42.92	3.74	48%	52%	0.96	52%	48%	80%
Zone	#16										
12	Old Bank District	condominium	230	5.86	0.54	67%	33%	0.38	57%	43%	80%
13	Eldorado Hotel	hotel	310	8.23	0.61	53%	47%	0.70	53%	47%	80%
15	Disney Hall	theater	443	1.80	0.14	53%	47%	0.19	95%	5%	100%
		office		[7]	[7]	[7]	[7]	0.39	17%	83%	70%
		ball room retail		142.17 15.20	14.15 0.77	51% 48%	49% 52%	4.22	52%	48%	100% 80%
40											100%
16	Lady of the Angels	cathedral		[8]	[8]	[8]	[8]			_	100%
Zone	#17										
1	Shopping Center	Shopping Center	820	42.92	3.74	48%	52%	4.22	52%	48%	90%
Zone	#18			1	-						
28	Office Project	retail	814	40.67	2.59	43%	57%	4.22	52%	48%	90%
		General Office Bldg.	710	11.01	1.49	17%	83%	0.39	17%	83%	90%

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Future Without Project Traffic Conditions

The future without project traffic projections were evaluated to determine the V/C ratio and LOS for the analyzed intersections for both time periods. The results are shown in Table 7, which compares the future without project conditions to the existing conditions for each location. Figure 12 also illustrates level of service conditions.

Weekday PM Peak Hour

In the future without project scenario, during the PM peak hour, a total of 39 intersections will continue to operate at satisfactory levels of service (i.e. LOS D or better). A total of one intersection will operate worse than LOS D, this being:

• Cherry Street & Pico Boulevard

(LOS E)

Saturday Evening Peak Hour

During the Saturday evening peak hour, 39 intersections will also continue to operate at satisfactory levels of service (LOS D or better), with the majority operating at LOS A and LOS B. A total of one intersection will operate worse than LOS D, this being:

Cherry Street & Pico Boulevard

(LOS E)

Table 7. Future Without Project Conditions - Intersection Level of Service

			Р	М			Satu	ırday	
		Exis	tina	Wit	ure hout iect	Fvi	stina	Fu Wit	ture hout iect
No. Intersection	Туре	V/C	LOS	V/C	LOS	V/C	LOS	V/C	LOS
1 Blaine & Olympic	Signalized	0.683	В	0.742	С	0.490	Α	0.563	Α
2 Blaine & I-110 SB Off	Signalized	0.294	Α	0.340	Α	0.377	A	0.417	Α
3 Blaine & 11th	Signalized	0.739	С	0.831	D	0.551	A	0.617	В
4 Cherry & Olympic	Signalized	0.405	Α	0.468	Α	0.272	A	0.330	A
5 Cherry & I-110 NB On/11th	Signalized	0.458	Α	0.584	Α .	0.650	В	0.724	С
6 Cherry & Pico	Signalized	0.864	D	0.992	E	0.811	D	0.915	E
7 Georgia & 9th	Signalized	0.401	Α	0.508	Α	0.446	Α	0.520	Α
8 Georgia & Olympic	Signalized	0.586	Α	0.668	В	0.549	Α	0.618	В
9 Georgia & 11th	Signalized	0.330	Α	0.367	Ā	0.440	Ā	0.479	Ā
10 Francisco & 9th (East)	Signalized	0.382	Α	0.791	С	0.269	A	0.447	A
11 Francisco & Olympic	Signalized	0.377	Α	0.435	Ā	0.550	A	0.598	A
12 Figueroa & 8th	Signalized	0.618	В	0.790	С	0.273	A	0.377	A
13 Figueroa & 9th	Signalized	0.551	Α	0.741	C	0.364	A	0.466	A
14 Figueroa & Olympic	Signalized	0.662	В	0.820	D	0.500	Â	0,604	В
15 Figueroa & 11th	Signalized	0.692	В	0.792	С	0.556	Â	0.619	В
16 Figueroa & 12th (North)	Signalized	0.378	A	0.460	A	0.368	Â	0.420	A
17 Figueroa & 12th (South)	Signalized	0.355	A	0.432	A	0.265	Â	0.306	A
18 Figueroa & Pico	Signalized	0.628	В	0.739	c	0.522	Â	0.602	В
19 Flower & 9th	Signalized	0.430	A	0.783	A	0.522	Â	0.632	В
20 Flower & Olympic	Signalized	0.430	В	0.771	Ĉ	0.490	Â	0.632	A
21 Flower & 11th	Signalized	0.527	A	0.633	В	0.499	Â	0.572	A
22 Flower & 12th	Signalized	0.437	Â	0.573		0.499			
23 Flower & Pico	Signalized	0.437	В	0.846	A D	0.232	A	0.291	Α
24 Hope & 11th	Signalized	0.037	A	0.537	A	0.457	A	0.521 0.302	A
25 Hope & 12th				0.537				/	Α
26 Hope & Pico	Signalized	0.204	A		A	0.127	A	0.172	Α
	Signalized	0.428	A	0.512	Α	0.299	Α	0.345	Α
27 Grand & 17th	Signalized	0.578	Α	0.690	В	0.368	A	0.427	Α
28 Grand & 18th	Signalized	0.365	A	0.453	A	0.379	A	0.451	A
29 Los Angeles & I- 10 WB Off	Signalized	0.520	Α.	0.615	В	0,378	A	0.456	Α
30 Figueroa & 7th	Signalized	0.641	В	0.750	C	0.296	Α	0.346	Α
31 Flower & 7th	Signalized	0.694	В	0.806	D	0.238	Α	0.289	Α
32 Flower & 8th	Signalized	0.570	A	0.710	С	0.221	Α	0.291	Α
33 Hope & 9th	Signalized	0.378	Α.,	0.481	Α	0.102	Α.	0.150	Α
34 Hope & Olympic	Signalized	0.468	Α	0.584	Α	0.208	Α	0.245	Α
35 Grand & 9th	Signalized	0.424	Α	0.529	Α	0.115	Α	0.149	Α
36 Grand & Olympic	Signalized	0.533	Α	0.609	В	0.280	Α	0.327	Α
37 Grand & 11th	Signalized	0.512	Α	0.591	A	0.118	Α	0.148	Α
38 Olive & 9th	Signalized	0.388	Α	0.499	Α	0.128	Α	0.178	Α
39 Olive & Olympic	Signalized	0.473	Α	0.585	A	0.246	Α	0.311	A
40 Olive & 11th	Signalized	0.421	Α	0.489	Α	0.096	A	0.126	Α

