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Fwd: Metro EIR info. in The HCP

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Subject: Metro EIR info. in The HCP

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To: Planning and Land Use Management Committee Members Reyes, Huizar and Englander, and City Planners Keller and Richardson;

Los Angeles Metro finalized the Purple Line extension's Century City Station's EIR on April 18, 2012. As the Metro EIR information outdates information that is used in the Hollywood Community Plan EIR, the Hollywood Community Plan EIR Section 4.8_Geological is now obsolete.

None of the references for section 4.8 of the EIR are post 2000, leaving a twelve year gap between 2000 and 2012 in discovery and updates which the Metro report begins to rectify. The plan should be not be approved with outdated information, particularly as the Metro documents are now finalized in corresponding city records and there are known discrepancies between the two reports.

The following are points where the HCP is now showing obsolete or incorrect information in section 4.8_Geological:

1. The HCP quotes a 2000 report by Dolan et. al as "The active Inglewood fault of the Newport-Inglewood fault zone is about five miles south of the CPA." However, since the discovery of the active Santa Monica, and West Beverly Hills Lineament fault traces (WBHL is now considered to be an extension of the Newport-Inglewood fault), it comes closer to the HCP than documented in the EIR. CalTech reports the Newport-Inglewood fault as having a potential of a range of magnitude from 6.0-7.4.

2. The Puente Hills Fault, discovered in 1999, is not listed in the EIR, nor is it included on the map. It travels North into Downtown Los Angeles, within five miles of the HCP. The Puente Hills Fault was the cause of

the Whittier Narrows quake and is capable of a 7.4 quake.

3. The HCP quotes a 2000 report by Dolan, et al as "Recent studies and other investigations indicate the "active portion" of the Santa Monica fault does not extend into the Hollywood area. Therefore, the previously mapped locations of the Santa Monica fault in the Beverly Hills are not considered active." According to the new Metro investigation done in 2011 by Dolan et. al, the Santa Monica Fault and WBHL are without a doubt active. The HCP EIR should be changed to reflect this new finding. An interview with Dolan correcting this information can be found on Council member Zev Yaroslavsky's blog at <http://zev.lacounty.gov/news/fault-findings-break-new-ground>.

4. The map included in the EIR should also be updated showing the new information of the regional and local faults since 1999, i.e., the Puente Hills Fault and the extension of the active Inglewood Fault into the West Beverly Hills Linemant.

5. Even though the EIR does state possible magnitudes for individual faults, the EIR does not discuss magnitude increases should several faults be activated at the same time. For instance, a study by the Division of Mines and Geology found that "a quake along the Newport-Inglewood fault could cause blockage of the Hollywood Freeway at the over-crossings for Hollywood and Sunset boulevards..."

<http://latimesblogs.latimes.com/lanow/2009/05/47-quake-renews-worries-about-destructive-newportinglewood-fault.html>.

For your convenience, attached is the portion of the Metro Report which the above information is taken. The full report is available at <http://www.metro.net/projects/westside/westside-reports/>.

There also is video footage at the Metro website and on the Metro YouTube channel of Dolan's and Jones' dialogue with the board. This includes information about the activity on these faults, and the possible future imposition of an Alquist-Priolo zone over the newly found fault extensions in Santa Monica and Beverly Hills and what that might mean should the State Geological Survey decide to update the fault zone with the new information.

As the above information has only been available for a short time, (again, this information was finalized by Metro as of April 18, 2012, last Wednesday), it necessitates this notification by e-mail with a follow up certified mail letter because of the short time window before the May 1 hearing.

Best,

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