

# Castle & Cooke

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RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Attn: Ms. Cathy Bechtel  
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FHWA

Attn: Mr. Tay Dam  
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Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement  
For the Mid County Parkway Project; January 5, 2009

Dear Ms. Bechtel and Mr. Tam:

Castle & Cooke is in receipt of the above-referenced DEIR/DEIS and has the following comments. Castle & Cooke Corona, Inc. is the operator of the Corona Crossings Shopping Center located at the intersection of Cajalco Road and Temescal Canyon Road in Corona, California, and together with its affiliates (excepting the Target parcel), owns the shopping center and planned adjacent Gateway light industrial center.

The "Alternative 9 Right of Way" as contemplated in the DEIR/DEIS would require the taking of portions of Castle & Cooke's commercial and light industrial parcels within the above-referenced developments, which are located within the already planned El Cerrito Specific Plan, and would result in substantial economic, aesthetic, noise and other adverse impacts on Castle & Cooke's remaining properties within these developments. Further, from a review of the information provided in the DEIR/DEIS, it appears that the east right of way boundary of proposed Alternative 9 unnecessarily jogs to the east through Castle & Cooke's light industrial properties (APNs 279-121-004, 279-123-003, 279-140-001 and 279-140-007), even though the proposed roadway alignment through that segment is relatively straight.

For these reasons, Castle & Cooke is opposed to the Alternative 9 Right of Way. Further, we ask that if Alternative 9 is considered for implementation, the east boundary of that right of way be redrawn to make it parallel to the proposed roadway improvements through the above-referenced segment, so as to reduce unnecessary impacts on Castle & Cooke's properties.

Thank you for providing an opportunity to comment on the above-reference DEIR/DEIS.

Very truly yours,  
Castle & Cooke, Inc.

  
Scott R. Thayer  
Vice President, Commercial Properties