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Amendment to the Sphere of Influence for the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) - Annexation by SMUD of the Cities of West Sacramento, Davis and Woodland.

Draft Environmental Impact Report  
SCH#2005092009

Mr. Peter Brundage  
County of Sacramento LAFCO  
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Dear Mr. Brundage:

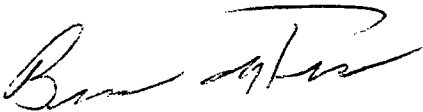
Thank you for the opportunity to comment on Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the amendment to the sphere of influence for SMUD and the annexation by SMUD of West Sacramento, Davis and Woodland. Our comments are as follows:

- We wish to reiterate the importance of ensuring that electrical towers do not encroach upon any state highway right-of-way, or that any temporary construction facilities do not conflict with access to and from any Caltrans facilities in the annexation area. Further, to ensure that any permits, as necessary, will be obtained prior to construction of facilities or the placement of power lines over any and all state highways in the project area. Bruce Capaul is the Caltrans contact for permitting issues and can be reached at (530) 741-4403.
- While the aspect of growth inducement may be small in this case, we applaud the effort to include an analysis of potential impact of growth inducement into the EIR, as this may indeed have long-range traffic and transportation impacts in those areas not yet served by SMUD.

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Please provide our office with copies of any further action regarding this project. If you have any questions regarding these comments, please contact Patrick Tyner at (916) 274-0558.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bruce de Terra". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "B" and a long, sweeping underline.

BRUCE de TERRA  
Chief, Office of Transportation Planning—South