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March 14, 2002

Mr. Ed Everett, City Manager City of Redwood City 1017 Middlefield Road Redwood City, California 94063

Dear Mr. Everett:

Re: Proposed Traffic Signal at Edgewood Road / Cordilleras Road (West)

The Board of Supervisors continued their consideration of our recommendation to install a traffic signal at the above referenced intersection until their regular meeting of March 26, 2002, and directed staff to respond to the City's concerns as expressed in your letter of March 4, 2002.

We explained in our original report that our traffic counts indicate that approximately 125 motorists per day, who currently make the left-turn at the Edgewood Road/Cordilleras Road west intersection, would be diverted. This would either increase the turn movements at Cordilleras east from approximately 800 to 925 turns per day, which is not considered excessive, or motorists will seek another route to access the area.

The following table summarizes the potential traffic diversion onto easterly Cordilleras Road from Edgewood Road due to the proposed traffic signal, using the volumes from our previous traffic counts:

	Existing Volume	Existing LOS	Projected Volume	Projected LOS
Left turn from Edgewood onto easterly Cordilleras for AM Peak Hour 8-9am	119	В	132	В
Left turn from Edgewood onto easterly Cordilleras for PM Peak Hour 5-6pm	98	В	109	В
Westbound on Cordilleras west of easterly Cordilleras intersection at Edgewood Road for AM Peak Hour	133	В	146	В
Westbound on Cordilleras west of easterly Cordilleras intersection at Edgewood Road for PM Peak Hour	108	В	119	В

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The intersection of Edgewood Road and Easterly Cordilleras was analyzed using the 1997 Highway Capacity Manual (HCM) methodology using May 2001 intersection counts. We believe the average measured delay of 14.8 seconds during the peak A.M. period and 13.6 seconds during the peak P.M. period are within acceptable levels.

The City's other concern related to appropriate advance warning of the signal if it is installed. We agree that advance warning should be provided and will include advance warning signs in the proposed project if the project is approved by the Board of Supervisors.

Please call me at (650) 599-1421 if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Neil R. Cullen Director of Public Works

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