



4.13 POPULATION AND HOUSING

<i>Would the project:</i>	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant Impact With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a. Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?			✓	
b. Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				✓
c. Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?		✓		

- a) ***Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?***

Less Than Significant Impact. A project could induce population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and/or businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure). No residential or business uses would be developed as part of the project. Therefore, the project would not induce direct population growth in the City through new development.

The proposed project would involve the construction of the MUST facility and associated conveyance facilities. The MUST facility could increase daytime employee population within the area. The employment created by the proposed project has the potential to result in an indirect growth in the City's population, since the potential exists that "future employees" (and their families) may choose to relocate to the City. However, the MUST facility would only require two shifts of three operators Monday through Friday, and two shifts of two operators Saturday and Sunday. Any potential increase in population within the project area as a result of the project employment would be negligible. Additionally, housing opportunities exist for the project's future employees in the communities surrounding the City. As such, impacts in this regard would be less than significant.

Mitigation Measures: No mitigation is required.

- b) ***Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?***

No Impact. It is anticipated that the project would occur entirely within existing public rights-of-way or easements. There is no existing housing on-site. As such, no impacts would occur in this regard.

Mitigation Measures: No mitigation is required.

- c) ***Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?***

Less Than Significant Impact With Mitigation Incorporated. As noted above in Response 4.13(b), no housing would be affected or displaced as a result of the proposed project. However, portions of the project site are known to be occupied by the homeless. In order for construction of the proposed project to move forward, any homeless population existing within the construction impact area would be displaced.



Impacts related to the potential displacement of the homeless would be minimized to a level below significance through the implementation of Mitigation Measure PH-1. Mitigation Measure PH-1 would require that the City provide any potentially displaced homeless with access to support services intended to reduce homelessness throughout the City. The City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services provides assistance to homeless and chronically-homeless individuals and families in the Long Beach area. Assistance is provided as part of a collaborative that includes non-profit agencies, the Long Beach Police Department Quality of Life Unit, City of Long Beach Department of Mental Health, the faith-based community and other private entities. Services are aimed at reducing homelessness through outreach, case management and permanent housing placement. Through this collaborative, Mitigation Measure PH-1 would provide for coordinated/proactive outreach, medical/psychiatric assistance, provision of basic needs (e.g., hygiene, food, clothing, and transportation), access to emergency/temporary/permanent housing, and ongoing social services provide a linkage to continuum of care. Implementation of Mitigation Measure PH-1 would reduce potential displacement impacts to a less than significant level.

Mitigation Measures:

- PH-1 Prior to construction of project facilities in areas that would displace the homeless, the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services shall provide advanced notice to the affected homeless population, and upon commencement of construction activities, shall provide outreach, assessment, and support services consistent with the City's practices to reduce homelessness in the Long Beach area. Support services shall include, but not be limited to, coordinated/proactive outreach, medical/psychiatric assistance, provision of basic needs (e.g., hygiene, food, clothing, and transportation), access to emergency/temporary/permanent housing, and ongoing social services provide a linkage to continuum of care.