

4.5 TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION

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4.5a Transportation continued

in the City of Carlsbad. By 1985 average daily volume and peak volumes could be accommodated by existing capacity at each of the selected high-volume locations during peak travel periods.

4.5b Communication

GTE currently has a capital improvements program to provide approximately 1800 new telephone lines. It is estimated that from the present through 1985 approximately 2,963 new households will locate in the Carlsbad area. The telephone company has indicated that with approximately 18 months lead time sufficient capability can be on-line to accommodate the required increases.

4.6 SPORTS AND RECREATION

The total population increase due to the WIPP project location in the Carlsbad area amounts to 8,600 persons. This population increase represents 0.04 percent of the total number of recreationists and tourists who currently visit the Carlsbad area during the year. It is felt that this visitor increase is insignificant and will not adversely affect the sports and recreation facilities.