

Draft Responses to Comment Letter U

**Individual
Janine G. Buchanan
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	Comment	Response to Comment
U -1	<p>To Whom It May Concern:</p> <p>The Buchanan family opposes the widening of Willows Road in Alpine, CA.</p> <p>The residents that live on the road have been impacted unfairly for a long time. These residents have received little to no assistance in helping them with the impact of the property values caused by the traffic, from the casino. The traffic has also affected the safety of the road.</p> <p>The residents have been dismissed for the profit of a select few. Others who have not had to live with the adverse effects of the traffic have profited and will be the only ones to profit from the negative financial impact to the property owners on Willows Road.</p> <p>The widening of the road will impact septic lines, safety, values and the already loud noise population caused by the traffic. The quality of living of the long time residents in the area has been unfairly ignored.</p>	<p>The County acknowledges the commenter’s opposition to the widening of Willows Road in Alpine. It is the County’s understanding that the commenter resides on Willows Road west of Viejas Casino. For this segment of Willows Road, the traffic study prepared as part of the SEIR forecast a net increase of 9,565 average daily trips (ADTs) at buildout of the land use map over what was analyzed in the 2011 General Plan Update EIR (Focus Area A-1) and a net increase of 86,415 ADTs for the segment of Willows Road east of Viejas Casino Road (Focus Area A-2).</p> <p>In a April 4, 2013 letter, the Alpine Community Planning Group (CPG) recommended to retain a two-lane classification for the segment of Willows Road from Otto Avenue to Viejas Casino Road and change the classification to a four land road for the segment east of Viejas Casino Road. Due to the trip forecasts for the segment of Willows Road from Otto Avenue to Viejas Casino Road, the County would either need to accept a level of service (LOS) E or F with a two-lane classification or approve a four-lane classification. The staff recommendation is for the two-lane classification west of Viejas Casino Road, however the Board of Supervisors will ultimately make the determination as to the appropriate road classification for Willows Road. It should also be noted that the staff recommendation would reduce the number of ADTs by 4,942 over what was forecast for the Draft Land Use Map for Focus Area A-1 and by 6,606 ADTs for Focus Area A-2.</p>

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