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To the San Diego Planning Commissioners:

I am writing to respectfully ask you to deny the Lilac Hills Ranch project.

My wife and I live at 30913 Mountain Ridge Rd.

We do not generally oppose new developments, We understand the need for housing, and support a property owners right to develop their land.

We also would not oppose the Lilac Hills Ranch project appeal for an amendment to the "General Plan", if they were providing new, or much improved road access to their development. They are not. In fact they are proposing to take our private road, Mountain Ridge Rd., through I guess, "eminent domain", and use it to move traffic out to Circle R Dr. They are not proposing any improvements to the narrow, winding, already much traveled Circle R Dr. The developer is saying that their "Experts" think this is doable. We think this is insanity. We believe that if the Planning Commissioners would actually come out and drive up Circle R Dr., and onto Mountain Ridge, you all would agree. You better check the credentials, and the pockets of these so called experts.

This development would only make sense if there was direct access to I-15. Not too many years ago, just such a road was proposed for that area to help facilitate emergency fire evacuation. That road( 2A, or 3A, I don't remember) was removed from the County plan because it was feared it would lead to new and unwanted development. Now the only way this new proposed Lilac Hills Ranch would make sense is if this road was reinstated, and built.

In addition, we are currently facing water cut backs to our business, growing avocados. Until these water supply issues are solved for our area, new development of this scope must be put on hold.

This project's severe and insurmountable problems with substandard roads, deficient fire and emergency response times, dangerously overburdened wildfire evacuation routes, urban water requirements that are 2.5 times greater than rural uses, and the taking of private land, (Mountain Ridge Rd.) from families who are unwilling to sell, are all a reasons to deny this project as proposed.

Please represent the thousands of business and property owners of Valley Center, and Bonsal, who oppose this project.

Sincerely,  
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