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Comment Letter I-12

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Subject: Public Comments Re: Newland Sierra

Comments in Opposition to the Newland Sierra Project:

I am a local resident who resides in an unincorporated area of Escondido in San Diego County, approximately 5.5 miles from the I-15 DeerSprings Exit. While the Newland Sierra Project has many aspects that would have a detrimental effect on the quality of life in our area, I am especially concerned about decreased air quality, impacted fire evacuation and increased traffic.

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As anyone who regularly travels the I-15 corridor knows, the traffic is frequently slowed, bumper-to-bumper and even stopped due to accidents, excess traffic and other factors. Local residents avoid the freeway at rush hour whenever possible. This already dangerous situation would be severely impacted by the advent of 2,135 dwelling units, most of which would have 2 vehicles or more. In addition the area in which we reside is considered at High Risk for wildfires. I frankly do not know how people would be able to evacuate onto I-15 and/or adjacent roads to escape a fire. According to the Newland Sierra DEIR, the projected population growth (PH1 and PH2) as a result of the Project are "significant and unavoidable".

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The approval and subsequent addition of a development the size of Newland Sierra is irresponsible and unconscionable. Please Stop Newland Sierra!!

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