Comment Letters

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From: Barbara Flinn [mailto:2bara@sbcglobal.net]
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Subject: Newland Sierra Development-Please NO!

It was my understanding it was denied years ago. I was born in San Diego and have seen the growth. I commuted 32 years from North County. I sat in traffic for hours. We were so glad when 115 went in (1960'S) to replace 395 and again when 163 (1970's) got widened from 2 lanes, but then we still had to wait to get on the freeway. I am retired in Hidden Meadows now. I love it. It is quiet and peaceful. I do not leave my house prior to 9 am because of rush hour gridlock at Mountain Meadow and 15. Cannot cross the freeway, let alone go south or west. I had jury duty in Vista Courthouse. Getting there by 8 am and not leaving to return home until 4 or 5pm was above and beyond my civic duty. The traffic on Twin Oaks Valley and east to Mountain Meadow was horrendous. Buena Creek was backed up because the cars on Twin Oaks/Deer Springs were backed up. I have seen this day after day. Who thinks more housing is a smart choice? Why not solve the problems we have? I live on Mountain Meadow Road and have contacted the county several times about the speeding in the 35 and 55 mph sections. The road isn’t so great. The speed limit signs are overgrown unless we cut trees. I have to put my trash on the road between speeding cars and try and get my mail, too. The road is curvy and hilly, and I cannot see because of that and the overgrown trees. I had a water pipe from the street break and had to lay on my stomach in the street and try to turn the water off. Cars don’t even slow down. I am 68 years old.

The housing project was to be a lot smaller and was denied. Now that it is huge, that is ok? Affordable housing? Where will all these people work after they are stuck in traffic going the same way as all the other commuters? Please, save some land in north county or anywhere else you can. Subdivisions by developers who build, sell, and leave town, are not needed in San Diego. I remember Mira Mesa in the 70’s. Way too many houses built years before the roads were developed. Every morning traffic is horrible for 30-50 miles north of San Diego.

More developing is more water runoff from all the buildings and roads. We need the water to sink into the ground, not run off back to the ocean. I don’t understand how our representatives and people we trust could let us down. Common sense says the area cannot handle the development, let alone blasting away a few of the last remaining north county hillsides and wild life. Save San Diego.

Please, let’s not put the cart before the horse. It makes everything worse.