

I-171 Diane Grimm

Comment Letter I-171

-----Original Message-----  
From: Diane Maillet [<mailto:dmail50@att.net>]  
Sent: Sunday, July 09, 2017 4:52 PM  
To: Smith, Ashley  
Subject: Newland Sierra project

Please note my opposition to the proposed Newland Sierra Project. I live in Fallbrook and travel the I-15 corridor often. I love the Twin Oaks Valley area and the rural feel, not to mention the wildlife. This project will funnel 28,862 new trips into our community causing gridlock from Escondido to the Riverside County line. I am terribly concerned about the increased traffic and what kind of access we would have in case of wildfires. We are already in an traffic burdened area which does not provide enough emergency access routes in the event of a fire.

Below are some of my concerns about the EIR that was submitted:

- 1) It does not speak to the impact of on the wildlife in the area
- 2) It does not speak to the impact through noise, construction air emission or blasting. For blasting, in particular, there is no disclosed timing schedule or location. It would also require up to 10 years of on-site rock crushing, grading and haul truck noise and traffic.
- 3) This project sits on one of only two remaining large blocks of natural habitat west of I-15 in a pre-approved mitigation area. This project would sever important regional wildlife corridors. Newland proposed special treatment from the County to have the project carved out of the regional biological mitigation plan before the plan has even been adopted by the County and State wildlife agencies.

The proposed land use upends the assumptions in the General Plan which the County spent years and 13 million dollars to create. This project will require condemnation of some existing property owners' land and other private property impacts. This area also currently has enough housing to meet state requirements. In addition, it does not account for needed low-income housing. Even if it did, the area is much too isolated from places where typically people work and there is proposed adequate transportation to get to their employment.

Please vote NO on this project!

Diane Grimm  
3398 Via Del Cielo  
Fallbrook CA 92028

I-171-1  
I-171-2  
I-171-3  
I-171-4  
I-171-5

INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK