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Comment Letter I-188

To: San Diego County Dept. of Planning and Development
5510 Overland Ave., Suite 310
San Diego, CA 92123

Re: Newland Sierra Project

Hello-

I am writing to voice my concerns regarding the above project. I do not feel that this Project is in the best interest of ANY Community and would like to know the following:

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1) Will there be a Cumulative or Impact Study done for the surrounding communities for evacuation and how it will affect us?

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2) How will the issues with the Hwy 15 Overpass between Center City and Deer Springs be addressed for traffic/congestion/emergency, etc?

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3) Has there been an Impact Study done for the Air Quality and Noise that will be taking place for the Rock Crushing/Blasting, etc?

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I am most concerned about the Pollutants that would exceed the normal levels and how it would affect our community. We are a very active community with a lot of older residents and now younger kids. I understand that dust and pollutants from Blasting and Rock Crushing will be Airborne Particles and we will all be exposed to that for the length of the development. This could affect how we live such as outdoor activities (walking, golf, tennis, etc), utilizing the breeze by opening windows in the afternoon and our animals breathing in the particles.

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Please advise me if a Health Risk Assessment Study has already been ordered and when it would be available for review. If one has not been ordered, I would like to request that a Health Risk Assessment Study be done to address my above concerns.

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My other major concern is evacuation. When we had to evacuate in 2007 we all had to leave Hidden Meadows at 6:30 AM. We basically have one way in and one way out when the fire is coming from the East. We headed down the hill towards Hwy 15 and it took 30 minutes to get to the Hwy which was 1 mile away. Hidden Meadows is a community of about 3500 residents - I imagine how it would be with the traffic from a 2200 housing development (far more than 3500 residents) trying to do the same thing with most of us trying to use Hwy 15.

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I appreciate your consideration for my above concerns and look forward to hearing from you.

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Hidden Meadows Resident since 2007

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