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Comment Letter I-216

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Subject: Newland Sierra Comment Letter

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Re: NEWLAND SIERRA, LOG NO. PDS2015-ER-15-08-001; SCH NO. 2015021036. PROJECT NUMBERS: PDS2015-GPA-15-001, PDS2015-SP-15-001, PDS2015-REZ-15-001, PDS2015-TM- 5597, PDSXXXX-HLP-XXX

Dear Miss Smith:

I feel the Newland Sierra EIR was very comprehensive. The area of most interest to me is the trails and open space. I'm so excited about the proposed comprehensive trail network and feel it will be an undeniable asset to residents both current and future as well as all of North County San Diego. Securing 1,209 of the 1,985 acres is a great compromise for guaranteed open space and helping to retain our rural character and it also addresses the County's lack of housing in a responsible manner. This trail network will allow me to access trails and enjoy nature in a manner not currently available.

I understand many opponents of this and other projects don't want to see the loss of our rural and unincorporated areas. They preach about open space but to me this is the ultimate compromise between what they want and what we need. This guarantees open space and provides trails to get there while also providing much needed market rate housing, a perfect balance in my mind. It keeps our workers and tax dollars in our county while guaranteeing Open Space complete with trails for generations to come, a win-win in my book. Thank you for hearing my voice.

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Sincerely,
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