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Comment Letter I-245

From: Yahoo Home <nd6300@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Sunday, August 13, 2017 10:07 PM
To: Smith, Ashley
Subject: Newland Sierra Draft Environmental Impact Report Public Comment

Dear Planning and Development Services:

Please accept the following comments regarding the draft EIR for the Newland Sierra PDS2015-GPA-15-001, PDS2015-SP-15-001, PDS2015-REZ-15-001, PDS2015-TM-5597 and PDSXXXX-HLP-XXX.

The terrain of the Newland Sierra development is rugged with fully 55% of its surface subject to the SD County Resource Protection Ordinance for steep slopes. It has remained undeveloped to this date largely because of the difficult topography. The proposed blasting and bulldozing of massive volumes of earth to render the property accessible and habitable would offensively scar the land in ways that can not be mitigated, despite the optimistic tone of the EIR writers and the artfully lush renderings of the proposed landscape.

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The SD County PDS staff and Planning Commission would do well to focus on this statement from the EIR Summary: "Impacts to aesthetics, air quality, noise, population and housing, and transportation and traffic remain significant and unavoidable, and feasible mitigation would not reduce such impacts to less-than-significant levels. "

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The proposed project is unsuited for this site. No volume of EIR documentation or salesmanship can change that fact.

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Thank you for considering these comments.

Respectfully,

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