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From: Mary Ann <maletizia@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, August 14, 2017 11:39 AM
To: Smith, Ashley
Subject: RE: Newland Development

2125 Walnut Lane
Vista, CA 92084
July 19, 2017

San Diego Planning Dept.
San Diego, CA
Attn: Ashley Smith

Dear Ms. Smith,

I am a resident of Walnut Cove, a private gated 22 home community off Buena Creek Rd. We are less than a mile from the Sprinter Train Station which is at Santa Fe and Buena Creek Rd. I have been a resident of San Diego County since 1980, more than half my life of 70 years. I am personally very disappointed that this plan has even been submitted with rejections already been given to other potential developers in the area.

I have three things that concern me personally. I have a serious respiratory condition (asthma, bronchiectasis); any blasting of this magnitude in the area will hospitalize me. I am 70 years old and this is a very critical health situation for me.

Secondly, we at Walnut Cove are very much impacted traffic wise by the recent homes that came into our vicinity. Our traffic is horrendous; it is like a parking lot at peak traffic hours with nowhere to go, but sit for the train to go by, and/or the lights to change. We all expect growth, but this was not fair. For as long as I have lived here (1980), I have heard that there was a plan for Buena Creek to be straightened and widened. You guys have forgotten us in that so-called plan and yet you continue to allow more housing with no

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improvements to Buena Creek Road. I wonder if I forgot to pay my property tax if you would look the other way as you have looked the other way with expending funds to Buena Creek Road for our traffic issue caused by Sprinter and large developments at Lone Oak. Thirdly, I am very concerned about the evacuation plan for an emergency such as a fire in or around the Newland area. A fire would engulf us all very quickly with no way of escaping. Not only is Twin Oaks Valley incapable of such a situation as it is now, but Deer Springs is worse. What has happened in this area is very disappointing. Growth has impacted our roads to the point of gridlocks everywhere. These roads need some very serious work now! Please spend some of the \$2 billion of excess funds in the kitty for these country roads that are no longer used for country type driving.

Please "don't bite the hands that feed you" - Walnut Cove, Established 1961.

Sincerely,
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