

I-346 Dan and Susan Seebach

Comment Letter I-346

From: suepoo50@aol.com [mailto:suepoo50@aol.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 06, 2017 10:47 PM
To: Smith, Ashley
Subject: Fwd: Newland Sierra Development

Dear Ashley:

I am a resident of Champagne Village, south of Lawrence Welk Resort. My husband I look across the freeway to wonderful mountains and to think of looking at this development, when finished let alone during creation, will not be an option for us and I'm sure for many others. So all that may be gained from allowing Newland Sierra to further their objective will be short sighted as once they've done their work they're gone. **We deserve better.** I've attended several informational meetings including the one your office held at the San Marcos Community Center. No matter how I look at this it's not worth it.

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As the Planning Manager I implore you to cease and desist further efforts on the above mentioned project.

This area of North County is beautifully rural, which is why so many local communities have made their homes here already. To alter another rural area of San Diego is criminal. All of this "development" must stop somewhere OR be the best plan for the people as a whole. The I-15 corridor alone, at Deer Springs, has yet to be shown to us as to the plan for absorbing the new residential/commercial traffic.

To allow the proposed 2,135 additional homes at Deer Springs Rd north to Gopher Canyon along I-15, regardless of mitigating upgrades, is irresponsible. If this area must be developed we have a General Plan in place already to implement and the impact of which will be less severe.

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According to the Draft EIR, the project would cause significant and unavoidable impacts to the area's aesthetics, air quality, mineral resources, noise, population and housing, and traffic and transportation. "Feasible mitigation would not reduce such impacts to less-than-significant levels." Is this the best we want to expect from future development? Would this be the best you could give us as our Planning Commission? Would you want to endure this for 5-7 years before a home was even built?

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INCREASED TRAFFIC, DESTRUCTION OF RURAL CHARACTER/ QUALITY OF LIFE, CAR & CONSTRUCTION POLLUTANTS, WATER USAGE, ROCK CRUSHING/BLASTING NOISE, DESTRUCTION OF WILDLIFE CORRIDORS, FIRE EVACUATION and all the miscellaneous issues that come with new construction will be our burden. Must the footprint be this size and scale? Will it really answer the call for "affordable housing" or will it be enough developer money to make it worth it?

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With all due respect demand all you can from the EIR. Know what you're getting us into and that you're making the best informed decision possible. Help us North County citizens to keep our communities as unique and attractive to both old and new residents. Not everyone wants to live in a city.

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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