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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 attended a San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce meeting recently and saw a study that concluded the San Diego region is on pace to only hit 50% of units needed to house families and accommodate growth. This rate is alarming for our region. If we do not seriously address this issue, the ripple effect on our regional economy will be catastrophic. Businesses cannot grow and create jobs if the workforce cannot afford to live in the region.

I want to voice my support for the Newland Sierra project proposal. After taking a look at the EIR, I would go so far as to support Newland's proposal, in addition to the Multi-Family Town Center Alternative. Regional planners, elected officials, business chambers have all said that we have a housing crisis. Let's make a decision to support a project that really contributes to solving a regional problem.

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