

I-127 Mike Erno

I-127-1 The County acknowledges the comment as an introduction to comments that follow. This comment is included in the Final EIR for review and consideration by the decision-makers prior to a final decision on the project. No further response is required or necessary.

I-127-2 The comment expresses concern over evacuation from the Hidden Meadows neighborhood during a wildfire. The proposed project includes improvements to Deer Springs Road which would increase capacity of the main evacuation route compared to the existing condition. Further, improvements to North Twin Oaks Valley Road and Buena Creek Road would expand capacity of the network to assist evacuation efforts for the surrounding community. Please see **Topical Response HAZ-1** for a more detailed explanation of evacuation. This comment is included in the Final EIR for review and consideration by the decision-makers prior to a final decision on the project. No further response is required or necessary.

I-127-3 The comment asks where the accountability will rest to ensure that Newland Sierra executes the plan to widen Deer Springs Road. The widening of Deer Springs Road is a mitigation measure required to reduce impacts to below a level of significance. A mitigation monitoring and reporting program (MMRP) will be prepared as part of the Final EIR in order to comply with Public Resources Code Section 21081.6(a)(1), which requires public agencies to adopt such programs to ensure effective implementation of mitigation measures. The monitoring program will serve a dual purpose of verifying completion of the mitigation identified in the EIR and generating information on the effectiveness of the mitigation measures to guide future decisions. The program will include the following:

- Monitor qualifications
- Specific monitoring activities
- Reporting system
- Criteria for evaluating the success of the mitigation measures

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I-127-4 The comment asks why the County would vote for such a major deviation from the General Plan when it taxpayers cost millions to develop. See **Topical Response LU-1**. The comment also states that according to an engineering analysis conducted by a firm that was hired by Golden Door, the project's plans for commercial space is completely in-executable. See responses provided to **Comment Letter O-1.8**. This comment is included in the Final EIR for review and consideration by the decision-

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makers prior to a final decision on the project. No further response is required or necessary.

- I-127-5** The comment states that potential revenue to the County should not take precedence over public safety and well-being, and that Newland will tell the County what they want to hear after studying why this project was voted down twice before. The County acknowledges the comment and notes it expresses the opinions of the commenter, and does not raise an issue related to the adequacy of any specific section or analysis of the Draft EIR. The County will include the comment as part of the Final EIR for review and consideration by the decision-makers prior to a final decision on the project. No further response is required or necessary.