I-165 Glenn D. and Lucene Graeber

- I-165-1 The comment states that the purpose of the General Plan was to discourage urban sprawl in a community where expansion of human population severely affects the social and environmental lifestyle of its occupants. 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 acknowledges the comment as an introduction to comments that follow. 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 because the comment does not raise an environmental issue.
- I-165-2 The comment states there is a lack of emergency evacuation routes and there will be huge increases in traffic on I-15. The comment addresses general subject areas, which received extensive analysis in the Draft EIR, specifically in Appendix N2 Evacuation Plan and Section 2.13 Transportation and Traffic. Please refer to Topical Response HAZ-1 addressing evacuation concerns, and Topical Response TR-1 concerning traffic on I-15. As the comment does not raise any specific issue regarding that analysis, no more specific response can be provided or is required. 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.
- I-165-3 The comment states that air, noise, and large vehicle pollution is expected during the 10 year construction period. The comment addresses general subject areas, which received extensive analysis in the Draft EIR, specifically in Section 2.3 Air Quality and Section 2.10 Noise. Please refer also to Topical Responses AQ-1 and AQ-3 addressing air quality impacts from construction and Topical Response NOI-1 addressing construction and blasting noise. The comment does not raise any specific issue regarding the analysis in the EIR and, therefore, no more specific response can be provided or is required. 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.
- I-165-4 The comment states there will be disruption to wildlife habitat and movement patterns. The comment addresses general subject areas, which received extensive analysis in the Draft EIR, specifically in Section 2.4, Biological Resources. The commenter is also referred to **Topical Response BIO-2** addressing wildlife corridors. The comment does not raise any specific issue regarding the analysis in the EIR and, therefore, no more specific response can be provided or is required. 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.

- I-165-5 The comment states that there will be an impact on local schools and water supply. The comment addresses general subject areas, which received extensive analysis in the Draft EIR, specifically in Section 3.5 Public Services, and Section 2.14 Utilities and Service Systems. The comment does not raise any specific issue regarding those analyses and, therefore, no more specific response can be provided or is required. The commenter is further referred to **Topical Responses UTL-1 and UTL-2** concerning water supply. 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.
- **I-165-6** The comment states that public funding would be required to pay for necessary infrastructure before property taxes could be assessed.

The County notes the comment raise social, political, or economic issues, and does not raises an environmental issue within the meaning of CEQA. 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.

- I-165-7 The comment states that there will be a cumulative impact on other planned and proposed developments in the region. The comment also states that a number of new homes are scheduled to be built and a number of pre-owned homes are for sale in Escondido, San Marcos, and Fallbrook. Cumulative projects and potential impacts were taken into consideration in each issue area analyzed in the Draft EIR. Section 1.7 of the Draft EIR summarizes the method employed in evaluating cumulative impacts. The County notes the comment provides factual background information and does not raise an environmental issue within the meaning of CEQA. 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 because the comment does not raise an environmental issue.
- **I-165-8** The comment states that the Draft EIR's assumptions about the impacts and possible mitigation strategies seemed flawed and unrealistic. The comment 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.
- **I-165-9** The comment states that the General Plan was designed to protect rural areas and they hope the County Board of Supervisors votes against the project. The County acknowledges the comment letter, and notes it expresses general opposition for the project, but does not raise any issue concerning the adequacy of the Draft EIR. For that reason, the County provides no further response to this comment. 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.