I-225 Jerry Kaufman (2)

I -225-1 The comment states that the Project and Draft EIR represent a well-conceived plan to address a key planning issue in North County: the choice between addressing the housing shortage versus transforming the I-15 corridor with big box style development. The comment discusses the housing shortage and how it is forcing others into Riverside County, which results in longer commutes, additional GHG emissions, and taking away from local businesses. The comment states that the Draft EIR is thorough and clearly discloses Project impacts.

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.

I -225-2 The commenter states that he appreciates that the Draft EIR analyzes what would happen if the project is not to go forward. The comment states that this would include 99 upscale homes and commercial development.

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I -225-3 The comment states that although the Project site has yet to be developed, it will be in the near future, and that North County has so little land left for development that the site will go quickly. The comment states that the commenter values open space, real communities, and environmental protection, and prefers the Project over a commercial development project. The comment states that the Project would benefit the region and recommends that the EIR be certified and the applications for new zoning and a General Plan Amendment proceed.

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