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Comment Letter I-4

From: Laura
To: Mattson, Gregory
Subject: Otay Ranch Village
Date: Monday, April 09, 2018 10:06:03 PM

Hello Mr. Mattson,

As a Jamul resident I wanted to reach out to you to let you know that I do not agree with the idea of building houses in the proposed area. First and foremost the roadways in Jamul that will be effected by the increased traffic cannot handle it. Cal trans has promised "improvements" on Highway 94 as they relate to the JIV Jamul Casino/Hollywood Casino, however the reality is that the "improvements" were a turn lane, traffic signal and driveway into the actual casino...this is hardly what I would classify as improvements to a highway, simply access for the business they built.

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Secondly, the area that is proposed for building is a established nature and wildlife preserve. In documents available on the project the builders are offering to buy other land to make up for the nature preserve they are destroying. This is wrong on many levels, most obvious is that if you have enough money you can apparently do whatever you want, even if that means reclassifying a nature preserve as a housing development. The very idea that this project is moving forward after access to Proctor Valley has been restricted to the point of Cal Fire patrols, tax money spend to erect a fence and no trespassing signs, and restricting public use of the land but now it's basically being sold is outrageous and does not give county citizens a good perception of the people in charge of making decisions in your offices.

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Thirdly, there was a meeting about this project on March 27th at the Oak Grove Library? The first I and many other Jamul residents heard about it was after the fact. Similar tactics were utilized in the building of the casino. Seems you have no objection from the local residents when you have meetings about projects without telling any of them.

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In addition, I can't build a shed on my own property or move forward with construction to add 900 sq ft to my house without paying the county an exorbitant "fee" for the right to build on my own land, but the county sees fit to demolish a protected area that you have policed the people from and add housing despite the county's agenda to slow growth and urban sprawl.

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I don't expect my letter to change the mind of the people in charge, but you need to be aware that local residents do not agree with this action and we will continue to fight encroachment by the city of Chula Vista into our small area.

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- Laura Rockwood

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