

COMMENTS

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Comment Letter RI3

Lisa Maier

From: Lisa Capper <LisaC@helixepi.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 11:03 AM
To: Dianne Acevedo
Cc: 'Kathryn Murrel'
Subject: FW: Harmony Grove Village South Project

Here is the letter from Ms. Kay.

From: Smith, Ashley <Ashley.Smith2@sdcounty.ca.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:40 PM
To: Lisa Capper <LisaC@helixepi.com>; Kathryn Murrel (kmurrel@surterreproperties.com)
Subject: FW: Harmony Grove Village South Project

From: Natasha Kay [mailto:orangemoth13@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 25, 2018 2:35 PM
To: Smith, Ashley <Ashley.Smith2@sdcounty.ca.gov>
Subject: Harmony Grove Village South Project

2/25/18

Re: Harmony Grove Village South Project

From: Natasha Kay

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Ms. Smith,

I am writing today about the proposed EIR related to Harmony Grove Village South Project. We moved here in 2009 from Carlsbad. The reason I, and everyone else I've talked to moved here, is due to the rural atmosphere. We moved here to have quiet, dark night skies, privacy and to be in and around nature.

I am about a half mile around the corner from the Harmony Grove Village (HGV) and I cannot express how much that project has negatively affected our lives and experience here. It has created noise, constant lights and light pollution, more traffic and completely changed Harmony Grove for the worst, in more ways than I can mention here.

The reason for my letter today is to express my concern about the proposed Harmony Grove Village South Project in Harmony Grove. I read through parts of the EIR and it was strange to see that almost every topic brought up ended with a statement like: the "\_\_\_\_\_ impact would be less than significant". It was as if it had been written by them, the Harmony Grove Village South Project developers. I think that almost everything in the report would have a very significant impact on this community. In fact, and I apologize for saying this, it

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Response to Comment RI3-1

The County acknowledges the comments and opposition to the Project; however, they do not raise an issue concerning the environmental analysis or adequacy of the RDEIR pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5(c). For a full description of the scope of recirculation for this EIR, please see the Recirculation Readers Guide, dated February 22, 2018.

Response to Comment RI3-2

This comment relates to an issue outside the scope of recirculation pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5(c). For a full description of the scope of recirculation for this EIR, please see the Recirculation Readers Guide, dated February 22, 2018. While the comment does not raise specific issues regarding the content of the EIR, it is noted that the FEIR discusses hazards (vector control) in Section 3.1.3, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, historical land use in Section 3.1.5, Land Use and Planning, and water supply in Section 3.1.10, Utilities and Service Systems. Fire hazards information is detailed within the Fire Protection Plan and summarized in the FEIR in Table 1-2, Project Design Features, and Section 3.1.3, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, as well as in Chapter 7.0, List of Mitigation Measures and Project Design Features. These latter issues are also addressed in global responses in Sections 8.3.3, Fire Hazards Impact Analysis, and 8.3.4, Adequacy of Emergency Evacuation and Access, in Chapter 8 of the FEIR.

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Comment Letter RI3</b></p> <p>seems all these developments have already been approved in back room deals years ago, and that these "community comments" are just for show.</p> <p>Everything from vector control, historical land use, wildfire hazards, wildfire evacuations and water have been mentioned, and all of these cause us deep concern.</p> <p>For us (my family here at 9237 Harmony Grove Road) the Harmony Grove Village South Project will double the negative effects we are already suffering with from the HGV project. The traffic is already going to more than double and we fear that if Harmony Grove Village South Project is approved we may lose our homes due to having to widen the road. We may also lose our lives trying to escape another wildfire. Being right on the main road we already have almost non-stop traffic day and night which again is only going to be worse once HGV fills up all those homes. With Harmony Grove Village South Project, the traffic will increase even more. The issue of wildlife and open space is one of our largest concerns. Each pair of owls for instance, requires a certain number of square acres to mate/breed, they will lose even more space. Countless animals will be driven out, killed and driven to extinction (in the area). When we moved here we had deer, coyotes and bobcats frequently and now it is far less, Harmony Grove Village South Project will make this even worse. The dark sky policy is another issue that has been ruined by HGV, and again Harmony Grove Village South Project will worsen this as well. With the droughts, that are now a way of life here, water is an issue for all of us and I just don't see how another 326 homes will be sustainable.</p> <p>In conclusion I would just like to express my sadness and anger about the idea of another development down here in Harmony Grove when we haven't even seen the effects of HGV. Another "project" (Harmony Grove Village South Project) will only exacerbate all of the issues we are now coming to terms with and learning to deal with. We will most likely move if this project goes through.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration,</p> <p>Natasha Kay (and family of 4)</p> <p>Thank you,</p> <p>Natasha Kay-Hazou</p> <p><a href="mailto:orangemoth13@gmail.com">orangemoth13@gmail.com</a></p> <p>(619) 307-9446</p> <p style="text-align: center;">2</p>	<p><b>Response to Comment RI3-3</b></p> <p>This comment relates to an issue outside the scope of recirculation pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5(c). For a full description of the scope of recirculation for this EIR, please see the Recirculation Readers Guide, dated February 22, 2018. While the comment does not address an issue in this RDEIR, the FEIR analyzes potential Project-related traffic impacts, including cumulative impacts, and sets forth mitigation measures for significant impacts. This analysis is detailed in the Traffic Impact Analysis (Appendix D) and Subchapter 2.2, <i>Transportation/Traffic</i>, of the FEIR. Please refer to Response to Comment I3-2 of this letter for fire hazards and water supply information locations. Biological analysis is provided in Subchapter 2.3, <i>Biological Resources</i> and EIR Appendix E.</p> <p><b>Response to Comment RI3-4</b></p> <p>Biological analysis is provided in Subchapter 2.3, <i>Biological Resources</i>, and EIR Appendix E. The County acknowledges the conclusion comment and opposition to the Project. This comment does not raise specific issues regarding the substantive environmental analysis conducted within the EIR. The comment will be included as part of the administrative record and made available to the decision makers prior to a final decision on the Proposed Project.</p>