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Comment Letter I-333

Subject: FW: Newland Sierra EIR

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TO: Planning and Development Services
Ashley Smith, Environmental Planner
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CC: Board of Supervisors and other involved
governmental officials

RE: NEWLAND SIERRA DRAFT EIR

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