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Subject: Newland Sierra DEIR Public Comment

Date
08/11/2017
RE: NEWLAND SIERRA DRAFT EIR
Dear Ms. Ashley Smith and Mr. Mark Slovick,
Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Newland Sierra Development. After reviewing the document, I have a list of questions and concerns outlined below:
I am extremely concerned with the proposed development's impact on the traffic problems we will experience in our rural residence. Already we are at a point where traffic ingress and egress is at the maximum level we can absorb. During a recent wildfire event, we could not have evacuated in a timely and safe manner on Champagne Boulevard. If the fire had "jumped" the freeway and threatened the road (Champagne Boulevard) and all the vehicles that were unable to move in either direction, there could have been severe consequences.
We are being asked to limit our water consumption at each home site at "Champagne Village". The fact that the addition of more water usage from a development of this size will put great stress on our water provider. This development is not in keeping with the authorized and approved plan for the area which called for a much lower density of occupation.
I moved into this rural area two years ago with the assurance that my home and quality of life would be quiet and of good air quality for the remaining years of my life. The Newland Sierra development with its heavy construction (blasting and large equipment) for roads and topography changes, if allowed, would seriously impact the remaining years of my life. I have a breathing condition that simply is not compatible with the disruption that the construction would cause.
The proposed interchange at the intersection of Twin Oaks and Highway 15 has not been presented to us. The area is quite small and I am not at all convinced that there is any realistic possibility of a successful design. If there is a possible design, why has it not been presented to us??? If I understand the site plan, there is only one way to ingress and egress the development. Until that problem is solved, this development should not be even considered.
I am opposed to this project.
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