



San Diego County Archaeological Society, Inc.

Environmental Review Committee

17 May 2015

To: Mr. Dennis Campbell
Department of Planning and Development Services
County of San Diego
5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 310
San Diego, California 92123

Subject: Draft Environmental Impact Report
Otay Ranch Village 13 Master Planned Community – Resort Village
PDS2004-3800-04-003, PDS2004-3810-04-002, PDS2004-3600-04-009,
PDS2004-3100-5361A&B, Log No. PDS2004-04-19005

Dear Mr. Campbell:

I have reviewed the cultural resources aspects of the subject DEIR on behalf of this committee of the San Diego County Archaeological Society.

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Based on the information contained in the DEIR and its cultural resources appendix, we have the following comments:

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1. Mitigation needs to be provided for any archaeological sites which may fall within "defensible space" adjacent to development but within open space easements. The concern is that property owners may take it upon themselves to take actions within that area, to the detriment of the resources.

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2. Likewise, the resource management plans for open space easements need to anticipate the potential for impacts to archaeological sites by firefighting activities.

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3. For the sites in the project area, the previous testing collections must be located and curated as a condition of project approval.

Thank you for providing SDCAS with the opportunity to provide our comments on this DEIR.

Sincerely,


James W. Royle, Jr., Chairperson
Environmental Review Committee

cc: Brian F. Smith & Associates
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