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October 7, 2015

Stephanie Holloway
Placer County Department of Public Works
3091 County Center Drive, Suite 220
Auburn, CA 95603

SUBJECT: ELWYN AVENUE AND LOCUST AVENUE

Dear Ms. Holloway,

I am writing to comment upon the possible closure of Elwyn Avenue/Locust Avenue by Placer County. In reviewing the options available, all of which include the northern closure in Placer County, I believe that the only viable option to adequately protect the interests of Sacramento County residents at this time is to move forward with the southern closure option as well.

I do not come to this conclusion lightly. As a professional planner, I believe that connectivity is almost always desirable. But this situation is unique. The residents who live on Elwyn Avenue moved to a rural area, on a roadway that Sacramento County's General Plan does not designate as an arterial or collector roadway. Further, these residences are currently outside of Sacramento County's Urban Services Boundary, so urban development in the area is not foreseen anytime in the near future.

While Placer County's plans for Placer Vineyards are well known in the development and public policy communities, many residents of this rural community (especially those who have moved there recently) are not aware of those plans due to the passage of time since the project was approved. I strongly favor regional cooperation in addressing cross-jurisdictional environmental impacts and potential mitigation strategies. In this case, it appears that the most appropriate collaborative option is the implementation of both the northern and southern closures.

Looking to the long term, I believe that discussions should be held between both jurisdictions regarding the manner in which the road could be re-opened in the future. I want to ensure that the rural residents of my district can have confidence that the road will remain closed as long as their neighborhood remains rural, but I also want to ensure that the closure does not remain permanent should urban development be approved on both sides of the County line in the future. While such development is not

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currently contemplated or included in the Sacramento County General Plan, I want to ensure that we have a plan in place should such a contingency materialize in the future. Experiences in other communities I represent suggest that this would be a wise course of action.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Roberta MacGlashan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Roberta MacGlashan, AICP
Supervisor, District 4

cc: Mike Penrose, Director, Sacramento County Department of Transportation



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December 16, 2015

The Honorable Jack Duran
Placer County Board of Supervisors
175 Fulweiler Avenue
Auburn, CA 95603

SUBJECT: ELWYN AVENUE AND LOCUST AVENUE

Dear Supervisor Duran,

I am writing to comment upon the possible closure of Elwyn Avenue/Locust Avenue by Placer County, which is scheduled for your January 5, 2016 Board of Supervisors meeting. In reviewing the options available, all of which include the northern closure in your district in Placer County, I believe that the only viable option to adequately protect the interests of Sacramento County residents in my district at this time is to move forward with the southern closure option as well.

I do not come to this conclusion lightly. As a professional planner, I believe that connectivity is almost always desirable. But this situation is unique. The residents who live on Elwyn Avenue moved to a rural area, on a roadway that Sacramento County's General Plan does not designate as an arterial or collector roadway. Further, these residences are currently outside of Sacramento County's Urban Services Boundary, so urban development in the area is not foreseen anytime in the near future.

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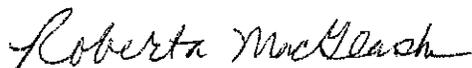
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I regret that I was unable to schedule time to discuss this matter with you in person. I also apologize that the letter I sent on this issue in October was sent to staff at the Placer County Transportation Planning Division rather than to you; my office was unaware that you are also a member of the West Placer Municipal Advisory Council.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter. You can reach me on my mobile phone at (916) 300-6055.

I wish you and your staff a happy holiday season.

Sincerely,



Roberta MacGlashan, AICP
Supervisor, District 4

cc: Mike Penrose, Director, Sacramento County Department of Transportation

From: Teri Ivaldi
Sent: Thursday, December 31, 2015 3:23 PM
To: COB Correspondence
Subject: FW: Locust Road

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From: Kellie Welty [<mailto:kelliewelty@sbcglobal.net>]
Sent: Wednesday, December 30, 2015 8:52 AM
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Cc: MacGlashan, Roberta; Platt, OJ; darrowm@saccounty.net; Walter Wyllie
Subject: Locust Road

December 30, 2015

To Honorable Placer County Board of Supervisors:

Jack Duran
Robert Weygandt
Jim Holmes
Kirk Uhler
Jennifer Montgomery

I am writing in regards to the Locust Road/Elwyn Ave. closure. We are a hard working family with children of all ages. We moved to our current home/neighborhood with our family's future in mind. We purchased our Elverta home on 2.27 acres for many reasons. A few of the reasons are the ability/space to grow our own food, the room to have our adult children and their families live with us while completing their education, and the peace we feel in the country. In addition to three adult children and a growing teenager, we also have four beautiful granddaughters under the age of four. Our family and their safety are most important to us.

Our neighborhood consists of both residents on south Locust Road, residents in the Special Planning Area at the South end of Locust Road, as well as, residents along and off of Elwyn Avenue just across the Placer/Sacramento County line. We are a low-density residential agricultural neighborhood. Many in our neighborhood have family farms, cattle and horses. We often have families riding both bicycles and horses down our rural road.

One of the guiding principles of development is not to negatively impact existing communities. Placer Vineyards Development will definitely have a negative impact on our community if both the North and South closures do not take place. Traffic at this time is right around 700-1000 vehicles per day, most of those are traffickers using Locust Road/Elwyn Ave. driving from Baseline, Placer County to Sacramento and those driving from Sacramento County to Baseline Road. If the closure of both North Locust Road and South Locust Road does not take place, our neighborhood will be negatively impacted due to the tremendous increase in traffic as well as those potentially entering our community to cause harm.

The most recent traffic study by Fehr and Peers indicates that our road if left open, will go from just under 1000 vehicles daily to over 17,000 vehicles each day. This is alarming for many reasons; our rural road is not intended for such traffic volume, this amount of traffic also increases concern of crime in our rural community,

and this would negatively impact our low-density residential agricultural neighborhood endangering our livestock, farms, and most importantly our families.

Our neighbors at North Locust Road have shared with us that Placer County officials agreed that if the developers did not object to the Locust Road closure, then the road would be closed. I have spoken to a representative of the developing group and he stated that there is no reason why Placer County should not close Locust Road at both the North and the South ends to protect our community. Roads can be constructed within the Placer Vineyards community so that access to Locust Road/Elwyn Ave. is not needed. The Fehr and Peers traffic study indicates that the closure of Locust Road both north and south will not have a negative impact on other roads.

You are being presented with several alternatives to the future of Locust Road traffic control: Please vote for the closure of both North and South Locust Road. We hope to receive the same respect and benefits granted to the residential neighborhoods of Placer Vineyards and Placer County residents and communities. With the closure of Locust Road, both North and South, our residential rural neighborhoods may continue to exist where it is safe to walk, bike and horse ride, without fear of being run over by someone passing through our neighborhood. Please grant us this request. It is what is right and what is best for our community.

Sincerely,

Kellie Welty
8815 Elwyn Ave.
Elverta, CA 95626
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