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From: Anthony <major2@comcast.net>
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Good Morning, Myrna

Please attach this document to the Ag Commission hearing on Feb 8th, as a public Comment.

To all the members of the Agricultural Commission;

The purpose of this public comment is to address the recommendations that the AG Commission will send to the Board of Supervisors, concerning the changes to the Ranch Marketing and Winery Ordinances. Let me preface my concerns by first stating, that El Dorado County's mission statement pledges to respect our natural resources, and preserve our historical heritage. Let us not forget we are first, and foremost an agricultural community.

I have confidence that the Commission will make recommendations that will continue to preserve and promote agricultural activities while keeping the general ambience of the community in mind.

These changes to the aforementioned ordinances, brings us to a critical crossroads for the future of this County. This rewrite could have far reaching effects on the fundamental character of our community.

My main concerns are with the "special events", the number of them, and noise that follows.

All events, with amplified music and voice, regardless of the number of guests must be counted towards the limit. Noise travels over long distances. The rights of residents to be able to enjoy the peace, and quiet that our rural setting provides, needs to be kept in mind.

More events, means more noise, and more disruptions for the surrounding neighbors.

These events must be limited, and the limits enforced.

If these limits are not enforced, then the potential risk is these AG properties could morph into commercial event centers whose primary business, and income is not agricultural, but instead commercial event venues.

And lastly, the Commission must put in place some metric, that ensures a AG property is able to demonstrate that its' primary business/income is agricultural production.

I am confident you, as long time stalwarts of our community, together with your combined expertise in Land husbandry. Will influence the recommendations you make to the Board of Supervisors.

These Changes must ensure that the County's future, as always, will move forward in harmony with nature, while protecting the rights, and welfare of all its citizens. We must not permit unrestrained commercialization of our natural resources, to overshadowed the idyllic quality of life, we all enjoy in El Dorado County.

Your attention to my concerns, as always, are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards;
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