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El Dorado County Board of Supervisors 3300 Fairlane Placerville, CA 95667

- PM 4: Re: Comments on Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Harrington Business Project (Project), Rezone Z06-0020/Parcel Map, P05-0004 Harrington Business Park

Dear Board,

I have often admired the open space and waterfowl habitat of this proposed Harrington business park, one of the few remaining greenbelts along this stretch of scenic highway 49, and I fear the loss of many beautiful trees due to the breakup of these parcels.

Please, stop the onslaught of this scenic route. I see many commercial and industrial building lie vacant just blocks away from this project. We expect more from our County government to protect and defend the beauty of our rural roadways, promote controlled growth, and exercise sound judgment.

Preliminary grading and drainage plans are inadequate for project review purposes and do not address lot development. This proposal is inconsistent with policies regarding tree canopy removal, wetland setbacks and developments on slopes exceeding 30 percent. The "development constraints map", dated march 15, 2006 indicates that many parcels are unbuildable because of general plan inconsistencies. A comprehensive grading plan is needed for all parcels to prove each parcel meets all requirements.

I believe this project will add levels of noise to adjacent residential properties, and a general acoustic analysis needs to be studied and submitted so that measures including sound walls, setbacks and berms will be incorporated and consistent with the general plan policy 6.5.1.2.

Because this proposal is allowed to be phased in it avoids a very necessary part of the review process which will protect our natural resources and be compliant with our general plan regarding slopes, wetlands and tree canopy removal. Under this phasing process these important issues are not addressed. Therefore I believe the development should be required to submit the full project for review.

Please reconsider this project in its entirety, this may just seem like a phase were going through but it may lay groundwork for further erosion of our general plan and well being, and degrade the quality of life for future generations.

Sincerely Yours,

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