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September 24, 2015

El Dorado County Planning Commission 2850 Fairlane Ct. Placerville Ca, 95667

Re: Special Use Permit S15-0008 for the installation of a Verizon Wireless Communication Facility Monopole at 5821 Eagle Hill Road (APN 041-011-30), Grizzly Flats, CA.

Planning Commission,

My name is Jack Daniels and I am writing this letter in favor of the proposed Cell Tower permit# S15-0008 for the community of Grizzly Flats California. This much needed infrastructure will fill a huge gap in communications for emergency responders within our fire district. All of our apparatus utilize Verizon MDC terminals for mapping and receiving of calls. We currently do not have that ability in Grizzly Flats.

This addition will lower response times and provide vital information to emergency responders that are dispatched to the community. The addition will also fill a much needed second means of communication for the citizens of Grizzly Flats, in the event of emergencies, the landline system in that community is unreliable at best. There have been many instances that the residents needing vital emergency services have had to drive a long distance to call 911 as the landline system was not operational. This is unacceptable and I strongly request the commission not only approve of the permit but fast track its processing through the county as this is definitely a public safety concern.

Please feel free to contact me anytime with questions on this matter at 530-417-2109, I appreciate your attention to this matter and hope for a successful outcome.

Jack H. Daniels

Fire Chief, Pioneer Fire Protection District

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