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Honorable Board of Supervisors:

On Sunday August 16th, I stood in dismay and watched the line of cars coming down North Upper Truckee. As predicted, the flood of people leaving Tahoe were using their traffic apps to find the fastest way home - right through my neighborhood. They start by exceeding the speed limit down the road, then when traffic gets backed up they race through the side streets trying to find the fastest way to the front of the line.

This would have been a perfect opportunity to try on the new turn restrictions to see if they work, but the Department of Transportation and CalTrans have seen to it that the test run won't even happen until 2021 - after the winter road conditions which put the residents at significant risk.

In addition, Tahoe is flooded.....flooded with people, with garbage, with cars, with overtourism, with acts of violence and property damage, with degradation to our environment, and with angry residents. Our vacation rentals are over-flowing and their maintenance staff barely has time to change the sheets before another large group occupies the house. Our public safety agencies are inundated with calls for service, far exceeding their staffing levels. Visitors are refusing to wear masks in public. All of this is well documented in the media, and yet we see no action by our leaders - no movement towards protecting our residents, our property, our environment and our wildlife.

PLEASE! Take action now! Work with the other counties (and the City of South Lake Tahoe who is currently working on solutions) around the lake and stop the flow of people that is creating this nightmare. Prohibit the use of VHRs. Provide additional financial support to your law enforcement, fire and EMS systems. Help us to stop the spiking of COVID-19. The end result of not doing a thing will be disastrous to all, even more than we're already experiencing.

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