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Attention: Jodie Sackett  
County of Los Angeles Department of Regional Planning  
320 West Temple Street, Room 1382  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

re: FEIR Case No: 02-176, Fairmont Butte Motorsports Park

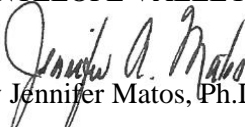
Chairman Rew, Commissioners, Mr. Sackett:

Thank you for the opportunity to again comment on the proposed Fairmont Butte Motorsports Park. The Antelope Valley Conservancy Board of Directors requests you to deny this project due to its incompatibility with Los Angeles County's codified regional planning goals, and its widespread environmental impacts that cannot be mitigated.

1. The proposed project violates regional planning goals, codified in the General Plan, including goals to promote sustainability, and to reduce sprawl, blight, non-native plants, and pollution.
2. The proposed project violates County-established zoning, on the basis of which property owners for miles have invested in homes, with a reasonable expectation of quality of life and pursuit of happiness. The noises, smells, pollution, fire danger, and high-occupancy activity of this project would depress property values for miles and cannot be mitigated.
3. The claims of job creation or local economy stimulation are inadequately analyzed, and refuted by the project proponents' testimony before your Commission, that the project aspires to take business away from local restaurants and the local raceway. Existing businesses will lose business. Full-time jobs will be lost for seasonal, part-time jobs.
4. It violates the General Plan's SEA provisions, as well as State studies and goals for ecosystem preservation in the area. It violates the extensive preservation investments made by city, state and federal agencies, conservancies, taxpayers' dollars, and even mitigation implementation. The project would have statewide biological impacts that are inadequately analyzed and cannot be mitigated. The offered mitigation in the FEIR is inadequate and does not meet the standards of practice established by the California Department of Fish and Game and the Land Trust Alliance.

We request the Planning Commissioners to deny approval for this project.

Respectfully Submitted,  
by Resolution of the Board of Directors of  
ANTELOPE VALLEY CONSERVANCY

  
by Jennifer Matos, Ph.D., Chairperson