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Mr. Brian Pedrotti
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Dear Mr. Pedrotti:

Re: Laetitia Housing Project

By way of introduction I have been a home owner (20 acre property with a single residence) at 650 Highland Hills Road in Nipomo since 1980.

The purpose of this letter is to voice my opposition to the proposed Laetitia Housing Project on the basis of inadequate aquifer water resources. Over the past 33 years I have seen the flow rate of our water well, which is shared by four home owners on multi-acre properties, decrease by 50% to an average flow rate of around 20 gal/min. I am therefore greatly concerned that a major residential development of the kind proposed by Laetitia will accelerate the depletion of an aquifer water supply that is barely able to support the normal gradual increases in residential structures that have been occurring on a single residence by residence basis.

In particular I have observed the fairly arbitrary reductions in water consumption estimates that have been provided by Laetitia over the past five years as the opposition to their housing development plans have gathered momentum; - from 143 acre feet per year to 73.7 acre feet and most recently 46.3 acre feet. Experience has shown that such estimates at the time of a major housing development proposal typically underestimate the actual water consumption after the construction of the residences.

I, like most homeowners, look to the San Luis Obispo County to protect the essential needs of the community. Perhaps the most critical of those essential needs is an adequate water supply for the future survival of our community. Please do not let your constituents down in this very important matter.

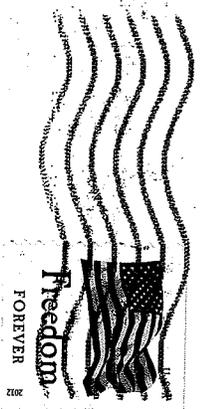
Yours sincerely,



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