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Regarding the Mid County Parkway

Dear Officials of Riverside Co.,

I write in confidence that you are public servants who want the best for the whole county of Riverside. I also hope that you understand that the common citizen is just as important to our community as the ones that are privileged.

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<u>I respectfully request that you extend the deadline for public comments on</u> the EIR/EIS from Dec.8, 2008 to Feb. 10,2009.

There are several reasons for this request.

First, the original timeline stated that the EIR/EIS would be published after Jan. 09. Are the commissioners trying to sneak by the community by publishing it early? If you honestly want public comment there should be more meetings like the ones you had in Oct. and a hearing after all the comments have been submitted.

Secondly, the report is of such volume that people who have jobs need more time to find the areas of concern. It looks like a similar document was taken from another area and a few words have been changed to make it look like it applies here. Most people who live in the area do not have the commercial grade computers it takes to download and look at this sizeable document in six weeks. (It took 2 weeks for most of us to hear that it had been published.)

Thirdly, if the commissioners truly want this project to be one of quality that will benefit all the people, you need input from the citizens who actually live in the area. That is the best way to avoid terrible mistakes and lawsuits.

If indeed, the commissioners have nothing to hide everyone should be given time to comment. Are the commissioners afraid that a few months will compromise the project? If the project is well planned and thought out, a few weeks should make no difference.

My question to the commissioners is: Will you extend the deadline for public comment to the Mid County Parkway EIR/EIS until Feb. 10,2009?

With respect to you and the white pelican,

June Ann Scales

Resident and taxpayer