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Gene Sierra and Family

Gavilan Hills/ Crown Point Community Patrons

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Re: Crown Point POINTS to NO to the MCP!

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RIVERSIDE COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

To whom it may concern:

We are against the proposed plan for an addendum Southern Traffic Route, also known as the Mid County Parkway. Splicing the Gavilan Plateau with a 'Parkway' would create a road map of community despair and environmental havoc for local residents while only boosting the socio-economic eastern segment of the San Jacinto based side of MCP at the expense of our Gavilan Hills and Lake Matthews communities. The pathway would cement our future with a grid of traffic, heavy truck use (curious if your computer model takes into account the Mexican Truck variables with their high rate of carbon emissions), one among many variables that would drastically and immediately affect our health and lifestyles.

Based on precedents your department has set and there lacks, with any trust or system value based on the transit planning procedures and practices (past, present, future) that have been utilized as well as witnessed by residents of the Gavilan Hills. From the drastic happenings, flood control practices to highway NON enhancements, found on the Ramona Expressway, e.g. Sound Walls/Tree Plantings, your department is now asking for more of the same practices and building project/land use just to the south of us? NO THANK YOU! Please know, that your ACTIONS HAVE RESULTS that do not, and have not favored long term residents.

These also include meetings for the Gavilan Hills Community. Why are they limited and why is there NOT more dialogue on this important subject that can impact our community longterm? Why were they scheduled during the holidays? Why not more during the Spring or Summer months? It seems that this community is be asked to take on a large set of environmental and health issues that accompany this MCP project, yet the RDOT and related agencies simply want to fast track the proposal, which, logically, would bypass so much need conversation and would, rightly, place the needed set of considerations and options on the table. Why is this, and why does this department, continue to treat the Gavilan Community with borderline contempt?

We've witnessed the 'parklike' qualities that were brought to Cajalco Rd. during its' last phasel reconstruct. Double the accidents and more dead/doomed trees and chaotic planning procedurues. This

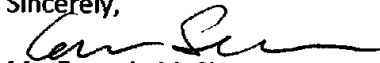
is the very quality of life indexed measure we fled from when we moved to the Gavilan Hills and the Plateau. We just did not expect that an actual office would be leading the charge on community and environmental destruction with this current MCP plan. After reading/viewing the MCP plan, I'm at a loss for what qualities it adds to our community? It splits the plateau and community in half, has no wild life corridors, trails, park or green space adages, large scale watershed mitigations in conjunction with wildlife habitats/trails for those living on the downward slopes. It is Gavilan Hills afterall. Your project would reduce this wonderful spot in Southern California into just a portion on the transport grid, and easy access route the March Air Field and the corridor freeways. Surely your office and planners are better then this? When can we learn of a better planned and future MCP meeting?

Therefore, our entire household, and we residents, *Crown Point specifically, are pleased to provide an on-going communiqué to your office, to STAND AGAINST the Mid County Parkway Proposal!*

We'll make it a point to OPPOSE this MCP plan every step of it's ANTI-GAVILAN Community way.

We hope you will take our interests, the people that LIVE here, into consideration. Please consider my points as part of the Public Record.

Sincerely,



Ms. Eugenia M. Sierra