

Victoria Davis - Case#: U_2017_0009

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To whom it may concern,

I'm writing in regards to Case#: U_2017_0009.

My kids and family have had the privilege of visiting the farm belonging to Roger and Kate Schafer. My children were struck at the amazing open and natural beauty of the area. Driving to it up the winding country roads, we felt the busyness of modern life being left behind, as we entered a tranquil and majestic setting.

My son and daughter still talk about the pond, watching birds, frogs, turtles and other animals. It made a strong impression that still evokes smiles from them. My daughter chose to make a school presentation to her class about the farm, it's natural beauty and the olive orchards there.

I know the Schafers are gracious hosts, who have opened up their place to many visitors. I left the place feeling both touched and rejuvenated at the natural splendor.

I was aghast to hear that anyone would consider approving an adjacent development to disrupt such a rare and precious setting.

I recall driving on the highway, and saw many underutilized areas of open, flat spaces in between commercial areas. Surely there are better places where a development could actually enhance, rather than negatively impact an existing habitat?

I would strongly urge rejecting the development request by an out of state Collective Hotels and Retreats, Inc. in favor of preserving the dwindling natural heritage of true California.

Thank you,
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