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Mr Gronendyke-

As neighbors (46027 Big Gulch Road) of the proposed cell tower on Big Gulch Rd we have some concerns about the project.

Our concerns relate to the potential impact of the development both on the access road that would be used to build/service the cell tower and potential fire danger caused by tower.

Big Gulch Road is maintained by all the adjoining property owners with the exception of the owners of the property the cell towers would be located on. We would like to clarify whether legal access to the site exists for the project. If it does, how does the applicant propose to mitigate wear and tear and damage to the road during the life cycle of the tower? This is a gravel road and several of us work hard to maintain it.

Secondly, our understanding is that the development will include an uninterruptable power supply, batteries and a generator and other electronics, to maintain service during a power outage. Naturally, we have fire concerns about unattended equipment. What safeguards do we have that our fire risk is not increasing as a result? For all the properties above the proposed site, Big Gulch Road is the only exit in case of a fire.

Thanks for your consideration,

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