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Subject: RE: Notice of Availability of the DEIR for the Proposed Palmaz Personal-Use Heliport
Date: Friday, April 29, 2016 12:00:20 PM

Dear Dana,

Thank you for the notice. Unfortunately, I will be on vacation in Europe starting May 4 and returning June 15, all within the comment period. I also received information from other neighbors who will be on vacation during a similar period. It so happens that this is the most common vacation period of the year. There seems to be a perception that the timing has been intentional.

I therefore request that the comment period be extended to July 15.

Having said that, I would like a hard copy of the EIR before May 3rd. If there is a cost, please let me know.

George Caloyannidis

From: Ayers, Dana [mailto:Dana.Ayers@countyofnapa.org]
Sent: Thursday, April 28, 2016 4:44 PM
To: Ayers, Dana
Subject: Notice of Availability of the DEIR for the Proposed Palmaz Personal-Use Heliport

Dear Interested Party,

The County of Napa Planning Division has received a request for a land use permit (Use Permit Application No. P14-00261, Palmaz personal-use heliport) to construct a private use helicopter landing pad and hangar on a portion of the property located at 4031 Hagen Road, in unincorporated Napa County. The use permit request is subject to review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA, Public Resources Code section 2100 *et seq.*), which requires permitting agencies to identify potential impacts to the environment that would occur as a result of a proposed project, prior to making a decision to approve or to deny a permit request.

County Planning and consulting staff have completed a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR), in order to meet the requirements of CEQA. An EIR is an informational document that is used to inform public agency decision makers and the general public of the significant environmental effects of a project; to identify possible ways to mitigate or avoid those significant effects; and to describe a range of reasonable alternatives to the project that could feasibly attain most of the basic objectives of the project while substantially lessening or avoiding any of the significant environmental impacts. Public agencies are required to consider the information presented in the EIR when determining whether to approve a project.

The DEIR for the proposed Palmaz personal-use heliport describes the potentially significant adverse environmental effects of the proposed project, as well as measures that would avoid or mitigate to less-than-significant levels the significant adverse environmental effects that are anticipated to result from the construction and operation of the proposed project. The DEIR also includes a discussion of two potential alternatives to the proposed project and a comparison of the anticipated environmental impacts of each alternative compared to the proposed project.

The attached Notice of Availability (NOA) provides a summary description of the proposed Palmaz personal-use heliport, lists those topic areas that are discussed within the DEIR, and identifies the locations where the Draft EIR can be reviewed digitally or in hard copy. Members of the public and other regulatory agencies are invited to review and provide input on the analysis contained within the DEIR.

Interested individuals can provide their input on the DEIR via written letters or emails to my attention during the 45-day comment period, which begins on April 29, 2016, and concludes at 4:00 p.m. on June 13, 2016. The Napa County Planning Commission will also hold a special meeting to conduct a public hearing during the comment period, to receive verbal input from agencies and the public on the DEIR. Information on the date, time and location of the public hearing is included in the attached NOA.

Following close of the comment period on the DEIR, County Planning and consulting staff will prepare a Final EIR, which will consist of the DEIR, comments thereon, and written responses to those comments. The Planning Commission will be asked to certify the adequacy of the Final EIR, prior to considering whether to approve or deny the requested use permit. Similar to this notification, notice of any future public hearing on the requested use permit will be emailed and mailed to interested parties at least 10 days prior to the date of the hearing.

You are receiving this email because you have expressed written interest in the proposed project identified above. If you no longer wish to receive notices regarding this project, please contact Dana Ayers, Project Planner, by reply to this email or by phone at the phone number shown below, to request to have your email address removed from the distribution list.

Thank you,

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