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From: Heidi Hall
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From: Leslie West <leslie.west@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, September 25, 2018 11:51 AM
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Subject: Todays mtg, Hwy 74 ltr

Dear Heidi Hall,

Please reference the letter attached with regard to todays agenda item for the Highway 174 project. I learned of the meeting late, and am on work travel, so have done the best I can to provide a letter of consideration.

Thank you,

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September 25, 2018

Dear Heidi Hall and Nevada County Board of Supervisors.

I am writing to introduce myself as a new home owner along Hwy 174, and specifically on the corner of Dalmation Drive and Hwy 174 where my new property, is directly affected by the Hwy 174 widening project.

I was aware of the intent but not full scope of the project in purchasing the home, and am now becoming increasingly familiar with the Caltrans Hwy 174 project. In the first months of living at my new property, I have become surprised how loud the highway still is even with a 45 mi speed limit through the day and night and my home being backset on the property. I am concerned with the widening of the Hwy 174, will result in increased speeds, road noise, and safety turning in and out of Dalmation Drive serving many homes. I question with the resulting increased speeds, is Caltrans negating the safety of their initial intent? Highway 49 is a perfect example of run-away speed limits of drivers regularly traveling 70-80 mph without regard to the residents along the highway regardless of the posted speed limit.

In addition, I have pictured here what I was under the impression is a Heritage Oak. A call with Caltrans this morning categorized this as non-native and discussed with me I would likely be compensated for the potential removal. I was quite surprised given the age and majestic nature of the tree, I have pictured here. This is close to the highway, and I will strongly strive to save specifically this beautiful tree as this provides Dalmation Drive a warm welcome and landmark to the entrance our neighborhood. In so saying,

removing this tree would be a significant loss to the beautiful and scenic nature of 174 that I specifically invested in my move back to Nevada Country and specifically avoided living in the Hwy 49 corridor.



I hope this will help guide our intent as Hwy 174 residents and concerned citizens. I am traveling for business this week, but would otherwise attend today's Board of Supervisors meeting on Sept 25th. I will look forward to meeting you and hopefully working with you on the sincerity of our concerns.

Thank you,

Leslie West

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