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Re: Canyon Hills Project  
ENV-2002-24-EIR  
SCH#2002091018

Dear Ms. Zaitzevsky:

With respect to the DEIR, neither the Transportation Traffic Section nor the School Segment mention the traffic involved in bringing children to and from school. It also does not talk about students of age driving to and from high school, back and forth to fast food outlets for lunch and just driving around with girl and boy friends after school is over.

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Taking the very low and unacceptable figure of 126 new students from this and the Duke project, the driving to and from schools could create as many as 126 vehicular trips at the peak hour in the AM on La Tuna Canyon Road and the 210 Freeway with again that many trips in the middle and late afternoon. The two Congestion Management Plan stations cited in the DEIR are actually miles away from the Canyon Hills project and, in my opinion, in no way present a complete picture of this project's potential impact on traffic! The proposed placing of a traffic signal at the intersection of the 210 westbound off-ramp and La Tuna Canyon Road will do little to relieve traffic at that location, merely back it up, and nothing at all to stem the flow on streets such as Foothill Blvd., Mt. Gleason Avenue, Tujunga Canyon Blvd., or Apperson Street, to name a few.

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What if most of those high income married people who purchase these expensive homes have, on the average, two children between the ages of 5 and 17 resulting in about 400 or more of school age?? Remember, the elderly, the young and the single will not be able to afford these homes! Will one traffic signal on La Tuna Canyon Road at the 210 Freeway be sufficient to stem the tide of several hundred trips daily to and from schools, one of which is already over its maximum capacity? Not to mention the increased vehicular activity from people going to work, more delivery and maintenance vehicles! Some children may seek to be admitted to Glendale schools which are filled to the brim now. Will that affect traffic on the 210 freeway east-bound, Honolulu Avenue and Foothill Blvd in the La Crescenta area? No comment on this very real possibility in the DEIR!!

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Finally, will this be the only project? Will these homes attract others? Will schools and infrastructure be paid for by the developers? How about increased public services such as fire, police, street repair, trash collection and so on? How about water supply, new trash dumps, public transit? Let's reconsider this whole proposed project with the entire community in mind and seek legal ways to disallow it. Thank you.

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Sincerely,

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