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Mr. Jake Raper, Jr., AICP, Agency Director and

/Mr. David Bryant, Project Planner

Resource Management Agency 5961 S. Mooney Blvd. Visalia, CA 93277

and

Board of Supervisors COUNTY OF TULARE 2800 W. Burrel Avenue Visalia, CA 93291



HAND DELIVERED

RE: Your Inadequate and Incomplete Response to My Letter Dated April 14, 2010, Leaving Little Time Remaining to Comment on Said Project; SCH #2006041162.

Dear Mr. Raber, Mr. Bryant and Board Members:

This letter is incresponse to your letter dated May 14, 2010 regarding my letter dated April 14, 2010.

Your lack of a timely response under the circumstances clearly demonstrates that the County of Tulare has <u>not</u> taken this matter seriously, is <u>not</u> truly interested in receiving comments from <u>all</u> of its citizens on the project, and has <u>no</u> interest in providing a copy of the CEQA documents on said project on a loan basis, under the circumstances, in order to allow unlimited review access within the prescribed public comment period and subsequent thorough and comprehensive response thereto.

Your untimely response has consumed more than half of the allotted public comment period, leaving less than two weeks remaining; and yet, the key issues have not been addressed!

First, I respectfully requested that the County make available to me, or anyone else who may request it, a printed hard copy of the CEQA documents for said project on a loan basis so that I/we can participate in this important CEQA process. To date, that matter has not been adequately addressed, even though Mr. Bryant had indicated that the Resource Management Agency staff had rejected the request. I told Mr. Bryant that I would appeal that matter to the Board of Supervisors immediately, which I did in my April 14, 2010 letter. Again, no response!

Second, the County has inhibited my ability to participate in this CEQA process by a delay of almost two weeks from the opening date of the public comment period before notifying me of that fact and the additional month or more waiting for your response to my April 14, 2010 letter of appeal, just now received. (Please carefully review my letter of April 14, 2010 for the details in this matter.)

I have been and continue to be very much interested in participating in matters relating to the County and its people, especially in planning for our future. However, this is the first time that the County has turned me away, even though it has managed to at least loan me a copy of any pertinent CEQA documents for my careful study and review in the past.

Regretably, the County has apparently chosen to ignore the true spirit and intent of CEQA by intentionally inhibiting and/or stonewalling my ability to participate in this project's CEQA process, as well as countless others who may have otherwise wished to take part. This is in direct violation of CEQA and all that it stands for!

I respectfully ask that the County of Tulare and the Board of Supervisors reconsider this matter and once again allow for <u>full</u> public participation in the "People's Business!"

Awaiting your <u>prompt</u> reply to this most important and timely matter. Thank you.

Respectfully yours,