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RE: Canyon Hills Project
Case # ENV-2002-2481-EIR
Ref: SCH #2002091018

To All Those Concerned,

I am certain your office is quite busy fielding the concerns of the citizens in my neighborhood (Sunland), and the surrounding areas being affected by the many gross inaccuracies of the Canyon Hills Project - DEIR. I'll be brief; I know how important your time is.

The Canyon Hills Project - DEIR is misleading, flawed, inaccurate, and wrong in countless areas. Is Whitebird Inc. perhaps referring to some other holding in some other state? These mountains, I do know well.

Whitebird states in the DEIR:
Section IV.D.1, page 1
Environmental Setting -
(The last sentence of the Introduction states:)

"No Federally- or State-listed threatened or endangered plant or animal species were detected/identified on site"

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I know first hand of the Peregrine Falcons I, and others, have seen on this land. I worked with these birds at a Raptor rescue during High School. I was introduced to these beautiful birds and taught about declining populations, and delicate habitat.

The Peregrine Falcon is an ENDANGERED animal in California as of 1998. The National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 (16U.S.C. 668dd-668ee) sets guidelines and directives on these matters. Does the Federal government need to be involved with this as well? This DEIR does not fly (to use a horrible pun). Regardless of the bird's status, for Whitebird to negate it from their report horrifies me, and makes me extremely cautious of them. It's a lie. And it is just one of many in the deeply flawed DEIR.

We, the concerned constituents, need to rely on you to demand that Whitebird make accurate studies and true statements when undertaking such a project and release the new EIR for further study and additional comments.

Thanks for your time. Sincerely,



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