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Los Angeles City Planning Dept. Maya E. Zaitzevsky 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles CA 90012

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Dear Ms. Zaitzevsky:

I have lived in the Sunland-Tujunga community for over 50 years and am concerned with over-development. I've seen traffic congestion increase tremendously and wildlife. decrease over the last few years. I want to comment on the Canyon Hills Project DEIR. Under current zoning laws, a maximum of 87 homes is permitted on the Canyon Hills property. I urge the City to require the Canyon Hills project to stay within all current laws and codes, and within the guidelines of the Scenic Preservation Specific Plans and the Community Plan.

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Specifically, I'd like to comment on the 210 Foothill Freeway Scenic Highway status. Currently, the 210 Freeway has been qualified as a State Scenic Highway, which provides for the enhancement and protection of the natural scenic beauty and requires scenic conservation. The construction of 87 homes on the Canyon Hills property would not constitute a major intrusion on this scenic highway. However, building 280 homes on 194 acres is considered a major intrusion.

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Additionally, the proposed construction of noise barriers along the freeway would also be considered a major intrusion on the scenic beauty, effectively blocking view of the landscape. In all probability, sound walls would not be effective in lessening the noise impact on the proposed homes because the sound of traffic would be carried up the canyons.

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I urge that the City Council require Whitebird Development Group to reissue the DEIR and address these concerns.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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