

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter in regards to the housing development proposed by the White Bird corporation, and to be built in one of last remaining wilderness areas of the Verdugo Mountains in the city of Tujunga.

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The proposed development seeks to fundamentally eliminate the existing development restrictions for the area that state only minimal development of only 1 house per 5 acres in such areas to preserve our ecological heritage, but the proposed development would place 280 homes on the site with one house on every 1/4 to 1/3 acre of land.

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The proposed site would also have to destroy about 100 mature oak trees in order to build homes. The D. E. I. R. filed by White Bird makes only the most minimal attempt at replacing the existing 1,000 acres of native vegetation White Bird plans to destroy. White Bird states that it plans to only replant a few hundred seedlings in place of the mature oaks while replacing all existing native vegetation with imported invasive weeds that originated on other continents, and have no benefit to our ecosystem.

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One of the major building sites outlined by White Bird in this area has been delineated to go through a valuable wetland site that is essential to the health of the existing ecosystem. Wetlands throughout the nation have become so rare that they are granted special protection from development. Wetlands in southern California have become, so extraordinarily rare that I would find it particularly egregious to lose another one.

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The D. E. I. R. Filed by White Bird is also a concern because of the fact that only 4 days were spent studying the area, and the researchers never ventured into the brush.

Sincerely,

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