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December 21, 2006

Mr. Ron Cortez  
Santa Barbara County  
Administrative Office  
105 East Anapamu Street  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Re: SYV Sports Foundation

Dear Mr. Cortez:

Thank you for meeting with Stu Gildred, David Smyser and me on December 12, 2006 to discuss the Foundation's plan to purchase property for public sports fields. We are a non-profit (Mutual Benefit) corporation with a board membership of 20 volunteers. The purpose of the Foundation is to select, acquire, develop and maintain athletic fields primarily for the youth of the Santa Ynez Valley. As such, we are providing a significant benefit to the community, which struggles to function with limited and insufficient fields.

The good news is that we have recently found a parcel of land suitable for our needs and a willing seller who will provide an extended period of escrow. The bad news is, as a non-profit, we will need to rely on the generosity of the Valley residents to fund this project. Our resources are extremely limited, especially during the due diligence and County review process. We are currently preparing a Pre-Application Review package, which we hope to submit the first week of January, 2007. The project will ultimately require a major Conditional Use Permit.

As a non-profit foundation whose only purpose is to provide for the sports and athletic needs of the Santa Ynez Valley, we respectfully request that consideration be given to waive County review fees for the applications we will be submitting. A copy of the project description is attached.

Thank you for your consideration and for supporting the recreational needs of the Santa Ynez Valley.

Sincerely yours,



Sid Goldstien, Board Member, SYV Youth Sports Foundation

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C.C. Stu Gildred  
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## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

FOR

SANTA YNEZ VALLEY YOUTH SPORTS FOUNDATION

ATHLETIC FIELDS

The Santa Ynez Valley Youth Sports Foundation, a non-profit corporation, is requesting approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow athletic fields and accessory uses on APN 083-180-011 and 083-190-004. The property consists of about 139 acres and is located about .5 miles west of U.S. 101 on Santa Rosa Road in the Buellton area. The portion north of Santa Rosa Road would contain the athletic fields, parking, restrooms and snack shed. The southerly portion would contain the maintenance and storage building. The northerly portion is currently used for agricultural crop production, which has already provided level field areas very suitable for the proposed use. It is expected that 12 to 16 fields for soccer, baseball, softball and/or football can be accommodated.

Existing wells provide an adequate water supply for irrigation. Santa Rosa Road is a County maintained public roadway and provides direct access to the project site. Public utilities exist at the site boundaries.

A recreational needs assessment was prepared in 2003 which concluded that a shortfall existed then and was projected to worsen in the number of athletic fields for the Santa Ynez Valley. This project will help significantly to alleviate that shortfall.