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Valencia Sherratt, Lisa Cuyama Valley Refuse Fee

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Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Re: Cuyama Valley Refuse Fee

- 1. When this was originally passed, it was done so with no notification to the people of Cuyama Valley. I was told at the time that a notice was put in the Santa Maria paper and that was all that was required. The Santa Maria paper has no circulation in Cuyama Valley. It is not even available in the library in Cuyama.
- 2. The fee is supposed to have some relationship to the use of the transfer station. A vacant lot does not generate refuse.
- 3. It appears that Public Works is using Assessor codes that are 30 or 40 years out of date.
- 4. I am being charged for 2 stores at \$309 each when in fact I only have 1 store. The building sits astride 2 parcels. It has been like that for over 60 years.
- 5. I have 8 parcels on which the CVRF is greater than the property tax. I would think that would be evidence of a hardship per your ordinance. There should be a maximum application of this fee to some percentage of the actual property tax.
- 6. It is an interesting concept that you levy a fee on the property and then charge a \$1 fee on top to collect it.

William D Price