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General Public Comment - Group 1

**From:** pneushul@cox.net  
**Sent:** Friday, January 14, 2022 6:06 PM  
**To:** Hart, Gregg  
**Cc:** Bertrand, Ethan; Henson, Chris; Kruzel, Ashley  
**Subject:** Ethan Bertrand and Isla Vista Community Services District



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Dear Mr. Hart: Thanks for your note.

I am writing in reference to Ethan Bertrand, your "executive assistant." As I am sure you are aware Mr. Bertrand is a director on the board of the Isla Vista Community Services District. As a County employee this a conflict of interest.

I learned about Bertrand's employer (you) some months ago and demanded he resign. Bertrand refused saying "I recuse myself from any votes dealing with Santa Barbara County." That was and is a specious argument.

Now that your represent Isla Vista this conflict of interest is terminally acute. Bertrand needs to find a new job or resign from the CSD.

The county already has an unelected, appointed, director sitting on the CSD. The addition of a county employee is a blatant conflict.

Isla Vista's CSD is inherently undemocratic with UCSB and the County appointing directors that spend taxpayer's dollars. Impetus for a CSD was/is "self-governance" independent of the county. That is not happening.

This duplicitous special district is funded by a tithing taken out of my utility bills. They do absolutely nothing with the money other than to compete with our park district. This is what makes voters hate government.

I understand you plan on running for the new assembly seat. The same conflict of interest outlined above applies to that undertaking. Rest assured this will be explored in further depth during your campaign.

Please have this letter read at the next board of supervisors meeting. Thx. Peter Neushul

**From:** Hart, Gregg <gHart@countyofsb.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, January 14, 2022 5:17 PM  
**Cc:** Bertrand, Ethan <eBertrand@countyofsb.org>; Henson, Chris <chenson@countyofsb.org>; Kruzel, Ashley <AshKruzel@countyofsb.org>  
**Subject:** Hello from County Supervisor Gregg Hart

Isla Vista and UCSB campus community members,

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**From:** outback.ur@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 20, 2022 3:29 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Illegal camps in the Santa Ynez river East of the City of Lompoc

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Will the County address the issue of the camp sites in the riverbed directly East of the city of Lompoc. I have been informed it is the responsibility of the county although nothing is done.

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