From: Bill Csete <bill\_csete@resortdata.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 4:36 PM

To:sbcobSubject:Chumash

Hi,

I don't normally get involved in political matters, but this is one that I feel strongly about.

It would be a disastrous mistake to annex 1400 acres to the Chumash. They obviously don't care what happens to the valley. Since I have resided in the Santa Ynez valley, their original plan for a Bingo Hall and then a Casino where they said they won't compete with local businesses to having them put up a restaurant, get a liquor license, start buying out local businesses and time and again, their plans have changed dramatically along the way. The current plan for the 1400 acres will probably also change once it is part of the reservation and at that point, there is nothing to be done by anyone.

On the business side, they cannot be trusted and from a quality of life standpoint, they have had a negative effect. No doubt they give money away for various things, but with so much money, it isn't surprising, especially to political campaigns.

If there is any possible way you can stop this annexation, it will probably be the most important action you take in your lives.

Bill Csete
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From: Marilyn Elam <marilyn@marilynelam.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2013 4:42 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** opposed to Camp 4 annexation

I am writing to express my strong opposition to your allowing the Tribe to go around your governing body for the annexation of the Camp 4 into the Chumash Tribal lands.

I have no objection to the Tribe building homes for their people. I do object to their being treated differently than my people (non-Chumash).

I believe they can build homes on the land as it is, just like every other citizen, following the law of the land. Anyone can apply to the County for permits, within the allowable rules and build the homes. Simple.

This recent work around the County process is against the law for every other citizen. I urge you to continue with the rules we've all agreed to live under.

The law as it stands currently has kept Santa Barbara County as one of the most sought after areas in the entire country.

Many people over many, many years have fought for and worked hard to set up these current development rules.

This set of rules and laws has preserved the uniqueness and the special qualities of not only this this part of Santa Barbara County, but the entire County benefits from the laws set forth so many years ago.

I am a small business owner and employer in the SYV for over 30 years. I object to being treated as if I don't count, as if I have no voice because I am not a member of this particular tribe.

I will live by the rules and the Chumash Tribe should live by the same rules.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Elam

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From: Thomas Hauber <tom@hauber.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 4:29 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Camp 4 annexation

I am opposed to the Chumash annexation of the Camp 4 property.

Please do not support this effort nor enter into dialogue with the Chumash regarding it.

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Thomas Hauber tom@Hauber.com

home office: 661-250-3300

From: George <itsgnewbern@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 5:06 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** OPPPOSE ANNEXATION OF CAMP 4 in santaynez

I live in santa Ynez and I VEHEMENTLY OPPOSE ANNEXATION OF CAMP 4.

Listen to your constituents for the love of Pete.

Sincerely, George newbern 3515 west oak trail Santa Ynez

Sent from my iPhone

From: Kathi <klheringer@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 5:07 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Opposed to annexation!

No on annexation by the Chumash of Camp 4! The BOS is supposed to be looking out for the general welfare of all residents of SB County, not just the welfare of the Chumash. Annexation will allow the tribe to ignore state and local laws, ignore state and federal Constitutions, ignore all the many taxes that would otherwise be imposed and needed to fund public services and infrastructure, would dangerously increase traffic on San Marcos Pass as the casino expands onto Camp 4, would put small businesses in the SY Valley at a distinct disadvantage as they try to compete with the Chumash for the business of valley residents and tourists.

Ours is a beautiful valley and a wonderful community. Expansion of the casino onto Camp 4 will destroy it's rural character and further encourage criminals to enter our community because of the lure of a large gambling casino. Every week in the local paper there are reported incidents of crimes emanating from people who do not live here, but are visiting the casino. Often the paper reports these visitors have meth, weapons, warrants out for their arrests. Expansion should not be an option that the BOS condones.

## No on annexation!

Kathi Heringer Solvang

From: Rebecca Reid <rebreid@mac.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 5:30 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Please Oppose Annexation of Camp 4.

Dear Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

I want you all to know that I live in Santa Barbara County, and I am OPPOSED to the BOS entering into government to government dialog with the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians. I am also opposed to the tribe's fee to trust application with the BIA to annex the "Camp 4" property. Please represent the community by opposing the annexation of "Camp 4" and refusing to dialog with the tribe.

Respectfully,

Rebecca Reid Glengary Rd. Santa Ynez, CA

**From:** diane mazur <diane93463@yahoo.com> **Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2013 5:51 PM

To: sbcob

To the Board of Supervisors,

Please do not enter into discussions with the Chumash on the old Fess Parker property. We do not want further development in the valley nor lands taken out of the tax base. Since the casino has been build and operating, there have been more crimes committed in the valley and that is unacceptable.

Diane Mazur

From: Jniplier@aol.com

**Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2013 6:54 PM

To: sbcob
Subject: NO

Inge Plier

From: Terryl Bunn <wfcranch@icloud.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 7:08 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Government to Government Dialogue with Chumash re: Camp 4

#### Dear Board of Supervisors:

My home shares a fence with a portion of Camp 4. Had I known when I purchased the property nearly 30 years ago that some day the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors would even consider entering into government to government discussions regarding Chumash efforts to annex 1400 acres, known as Camp 4, to the reservation, I most assuredly would never have purchased this property. Annexation of Camp 4 would most certainly completely devalue my property. More importantly, it would definitely and forever change my quality of life on my own property by ruining the view and the peace and quiet I enjoy while living in my home.

I purchased this property because of the wonderful view to the west of the Santa Ynez Valley. For all these years I have enjoyed looking out over the grazing land, knowing that it was zoned AG-100 and that the hills would never be cluttered with dense housing. Yet, that is exactly the plan that the Chumash currently state is their intended purpose. Now that they own the property, it is only the current zoning that precludes them from building this dense housing. If they are successful at annexing the property, they can do whatever they wish, including the stated plan of dense housing. They would also be able to build casinos, hotels, parking structures, and who knows what else after annexation.

The Chumash have stated they need the additional housing for their members. That simply is not true. They admittedly cannot even fill up the houses on their current reservation with their own members. They have acknowledged that a good portion of the housing on the current reservation is rented to non-members.

Please do not enter into any government to government dialogues or any other form of negotiation regarding attempts by the Chumash to use this property in any way that is not within current County and State land use planning and zoning regulations.

Yours truly,

Terryl L. Bunn 1625 Linda Vista Drive Santa Ynez, CA 93460 Cherie M. Austin Breezeway Farms Inc. 4891 Baseline Ave. Santa Ynez. Ca. 93460

August 11, 2013

Mr. Salud Carbajal, Chairman Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians and County Issues

Dear Supervisor Carbajal:

I have lived on this property since 1976 and I am located on Baseline about 1000 yards from the property the Chumash Tribe wants to annex. I am against allowing the Chumash Tribe to have cart blanch to do what ever they want with that property without the safeguards we all have to abide by in this county being enforced. Just because they have extensive funds with which to buy the property and fight all the good people of Santa Ynez does not make it right or morally correct. For once please help the people of the Santa Ynez Valley protect THEIR RIGHTS FOR A CHANGE! A vote for the Chumash would irrevocably harm the property values and aesthetics of our valley and homes.

With Resoluteness,

Cherie M. Austin Breezeway Farms Inc.

From: Madsen <ghmadsen@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 7:41 PM

To: sbcob

Cc:gdmads@yahoo.comSubject:Tribal negotiations

## **Honorable Supervisors**

As a citizen of Santa Ynez I urge you not to begin negotiations with the Chumash Tribe regarding Camp 4. I do not feel we can loose control of this property.

Thank you Gene Madsen Sent from my iPad

From: Lauren Pierce <pupperdew@hotmail.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2013 8:18 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** No to annexation of Camp 4

No to annexation of Camp

Sent from my iPhone

From: James Riley <jimhriley@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 8:54 PM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** Fee to Trust

Dear Members of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

This email is a plea to you not to dialogue or negotiate with the Chumash tribal government regarding "Fee to Trust" for the property known as Camp Four. There is no need for government to government dialogue as the property is not part of the reservation and is currently taxed and regulated as is any other property in the area. If the property is taken into trust the tribal government may develop it as they see fit. As you are also aware the tribe has "sovereign immunity" with property within the trust (reservation) and may ignore prior agreements and liabilities.

Please Do Not Dialogue with the tribal government regarding "Fee to Trust" for the Camp Four Property.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jim Riley 1266 Edison St Santa Ynez, CA

From: Nadine Riley <nadinekriley@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2013 9:00 PM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** Fee to Trust

Dear Members of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

Please Do Not Dialogue or Negotiate with the Chumash Tribal Government regarding "Fee to Trust" for the property known as Camp Four. There is no need since the property is not part of the reservation, and is taxed and regulated as other property in the area.

I urge you to NOT Dialogue with the tribal government regarding Camp Four.

Sincerely,

Nadine Riley 1266 Edison St Santa Ynez, CA

From: runnjmpd@aol.com

**Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2013 9:08 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** No to Chumash / camp 4 dialogue!!

To whom it may concern please DO NOT enter into a dialogue with the Chumash tribe concerning camp 4. As a 51 year resident of Santa Ynez I have seen the changes that came with the initial Casino and implore you not to allow the agricultural land on camp four to be utilized in any other way than it is currently zoned for!!! Sincerely,

Bunnie Sexton

From: DCDeats at MAC <dellacasbergdeats@mac.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2013 9:20 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Please Vote Non-Support of BIA Annexation- Camp 4

To Whom it May Concern,

As a citizen with lifetime roots in Santa Barbara and subsequently the Santa Ynez Valley since 1956, I beseech you and Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors to voice Non-Support of Chumash Tribal Council Annexation of Camp 4, (1400 acres) off Armour Ranch Road in the Santa Ynez Valley.

We know community support is a requisite of an annexation application. WE DO NOT SUPPORT. It could not be more clear that lost property tax revenue is not this community's overriding focus!!!

The economic benefit to surrounding communities in job potential is clear. Less clear is that charitable contributions by the Chumash, are, in fact, the mandate of their compact with the State of California, as mitigation to gambling's very significant impact in our communities.

Having been vocal and clear in my pleasure that my own friends and classmates and my children's friends and classmates in the tribal community can now enjoy a very enviable lifestyle and quality of life, I now must voice my equally clear and strong alarm!!!

I see no rationale for for tribal authority to circumvent County Zoning, County Planning or County General Plan designations for this land. Yes, they purchased it fair and square for a sizeable expenditure! They purchased it knowing it was zoned 100 Acre Agriculture. Many other (private person) owners have sought, long and hard, over the past two General Plan processes to prevent downzoning on their large ranch properties....to no avail. Land Use Guidelines extend to inform and protect us all!

Please acknowledge the facts and the potential for very real harm to the character of our community were this enormous and non-contiguous annexation to sovereignty become reality!! *Seriously consider our input*.

The spokesmen for the Tribal Council continue to state that this annexation is intended to expand needed housing for their tribal members. This does not address the very real fact that ANY and ALL land uses WOULD forever be within their SOVEREIGN AUTHORITY and CONTROL if this land were to gain Fee to Trust designation through special legislation or through Bureau of Indian Affairs action.

Sincerely,

Della R. Casberg P.O. Box 1349 Solvang, CA 93464

**From:** Earl Shepherd <eshepherd@dslextreme.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2013 9:24 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Annexation of Camp 4

I am a property owner in the Santa Ynez Valley. I oppose Annexation of Camp 4. I oppose dialogue with the Chumash. I will not, ever, support any politician who sells out their constituency to those who consider themselves a foreign nation.

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## **Earl Shepherd**

Freelance Artist, **EBSART.com**Designer, **MYMCOUPE.com**Painter, **MyArtCar.com** 

From: Deborah Hall <chezvin@me.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 9:28 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** NO annexation of camp 4

There should be no annexation of camp 4.

Deborah Hall

Sent from my iPad

From: Karen Gallivan <degallivan@yahoo.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2013 9:36 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** No to annexation of Camp 4

One more time.....please take note: No to annexation of Camp 4

Thank you for paying attention!

From: Hanssen73@aol.com

**Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2013 9:37 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Chumash Land

I am Stu Hanssen and have lived in this valley for 35 Years . The land owned by the tribe in reference to development should be stopped ASAP!!! If they want to stay within zoning rights that is fine!!! 100 acre agricultural only as the rest of us follow. Please listen to the people who know WHAT IS BEST FOR THE FUTURE OF THIS VALLEY!!!!!!!!! Stu Hanssen 3621 Willow St. Santa Ynes Ca.

From: Michelle de Werd <michelle@dewerdfamily.com>

Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 9:37 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Camp 4 - Chumash's 1400 acres

Dear Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

I write to please request that you do not negotiate an agreement with the Chumash Tribe in order to annex the 1400 acres of agricultural land. I believe we may have a situation where our natural resources may be in jeopardy if this land is annexed with no local, state or federal controls. What will happen to the water supply? I know some ranches in the Santa Ynez Valley are having issues with the lack of water on their property, or the reduction of water supply.

I envision the possibility of a 20-30 story casino/hotel popping up of this agricultural property similar to the Morongo Casino off Highway 10 on the way to Palm Springs. In the Morongo case, as you drive, you will see miles of beautiful desert land and the huge monstrosity of a 25+ story casino/hotel popping up in the middle of this desert. Is this what we want the Santa Ynez Valley to look like?

Also, if annexation happens, all the promises the Chumash tribe may make to the Santa Barbara County BOS and its citizens are worthless. There are no courts with jurisdiction over tribal land. Santa Barbara County will have no recourse. Have you ever heard of a county or municipality suing a sovereign nation?

Sincerely,

Michelle de Werd

Michelle de Werd P.O. Box 277 3345 Foxen Canyon Road Los Olivos, CA 93441-0277 Home: 805-688-0553

Mobile: 805-350-0300

michelle@dewerdfamily.com

From: Paul Matthies <pmatthies@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 9:38 PM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** Camp 4

### Dear Supervisors,

Sit back for a moment and draw a deep relaxing breath. Now begin to create a mental picture of what full-scale development of the Camp 4 property would do to the pristine, rural appearance of that property. Few stretches of land are as beautiful and it is one of a few that set the "look" of the valley. Since it is in no way contiguous to the reservation, there should be no justification for its being granted a fee to trust. It is time for all citizens of the U.S. to be treated equally as the constitution deems. I don't believe that any group deserves special status whereby it alone is exempted from all the taxes, conditions and restrictions that any other group or individual is required to pay or follow.

Please save the Santa Ynez Valley. Don't further special treatment. There must be controls to what happens on that exceptionally beautiful acreage.

Thank you,

Susanna H. Matthies

From: Paul Deats <pauldeats@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 9:46 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Voice Non-Support - Camp 4 Petition for Annexation

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

To Whom it May Concern,

I strongly oppose Government to Government solicitation of Chumash Tribal Council regarding Annexation of Camp 4, (1400 acres) off Armour Ranch Road in the Santa Ynez Valley.

We understand community support is a requisite of any annexation application. *THIS COMMUNITY DOES NOT SUPPORT.* It could not be more clear that lost property tax revenue is not this community's overriding focus!!!

The economic benefit to surrounding communities in job potential is clear. Less clear is that charitable contributions by the Chumash, are, in fact, the mandate of their compact with the State of California, as mitigation to gambling's very significant impact in our communities.

I see no rationale for for tribal authority to circumvent County Zoning, County Planning or County General Plan designations for this land. They purchased this land knowing it was zoned 100 Acre Ag. Land Use Guidelines extend to inform and protect us all!

Please acknowledge the facts and the potential for very real harm to the character of our community were this enormous and non-contiguous annexation with concomitant *sovereignty* become reality!! *Seriously consider our input, Please.* 

The spokesmen for the Tribal Council continue to state that this annexation is intended to expand needed housing for their tribal members. This does not address the very real fact that ANY and ALL land uses WOULD forever be within their SOVEREIGN AUTHORITY and CONTROL if this land were to gain Fee to Trust designation through special legislation or through Bureau of Indian Affairs action.

Sincerely,

Paul R. Deats 2750 N. Refugio Rd. Santa Ynez CA 93460

Home: 805 688-6074

From: Wendell Shepherd < wendellbshepherd@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2013 9:51 PM

To:sbcobSubject:Camp 4

Oppose Annexation of Camp 4. Oppose dialogue with Chumash.

Best,

Wendell B. Shepherd

From: Stan Freedman <stan13094@yahoo.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, August 11, 2013 9:54 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Annexation of Chumash Camp 4 Property

#### **Dear Board of Supervisors:**

I am a long time (23 years) resident/homeowner in the Meadowlark Ranches subdivision of Santa Ynez, which is located near the intersection of Highways 245 and 154. I am <u>vehemently</u> opposed to the Chumash's plan to annex the Camp 4 property to their reservation and forever remove the 1400 acres from the County tax rolls.

The Chumash have been essentially given an exclusive right to operate a very profitable casino and have amassed great wealth, individually and collectively, as a result. By putting their relatively recent real estate acquisition into a fee to trust, they will no longer pay needed property taxes and will develop the property any way they wish, with no regard to the same rules the rest of us must follow. Our beloved Santa Ynez Valley will be ruined forever.

As a very concerned, tax-paying citizen, I am begging you to not allow the Chumash tribe to take that scenic property off the County tax rolls and develop it any way they wish to the detriment of the other citizens of Santa Ynez and Santa Barbara County. I am one of many who are opposed to their annexation.

#### Sincerely,

Stanley S. Freedman 3985 Edgehill Lane Santa Ynez, CA 93460

From: Lloyd Mills <lloydmills@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 9:59 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** against Chumash negotiations

To the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors, I have lived and voted in the Santa Ynez Valley for over 40 years and I urgently advise you, the Supervisors, to NOT enter into negotiations with the Chumash tribe over their request to talk "government to government" with you about annexing their CAMP 4 property into the Chumash Reservation. I believe this would be detrimental to our rural valley community. I question your having negotiations with the Chumash, with the thought that this would give the federal government the idea that this is "local support." I applaud you for, at least thus far, not accepting the large sum of money from the tribe if the Supervisors accepted the fee to trust.

We non Chumash residents of Santa Ynez Valley oppose Camp 4 going into fee to trust. I do not oppose the Chumash tribe itself; there is room for all of us, but we need to live under the same rules in governing our property. Sincerely, Mary Lloyd Mills

From: Julia Dellar <juliadellar@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2013 10:33 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** NO! Annexation of camp 4!!!

As a former resident of the Santa Ynez valley and frequent visitor to the community I am deeply opposed to annexation of camp four!!

Allowing this growth will surely destroy and affect the communitys reputation of being a peaceful getaway and lovely respite from the hustle and bustle of city life. Allowing this growth will only impact the Valley in a negative way and benefit the pockets of a select few.

Please listen to the concerned citizens of this community and restrict further, un-necessary expansion of this Casino!!!!

Julia Dellar

From: Fred R Krug <fredroy2011@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 12:36 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Chumash Camp 4

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors.

Please DO NOT "negotiate" the 1400 acres of Chumash Camp 4 land off our tax rolls!

Too much damage has already been done to the Santa Ynez Valley, by bringing crime and other gambling related problems to this peaceful community.

Through the complicity of a few mendacious political facilitators, eventually the whole area will be ruined.

Enough is enough, already.

F. R. Krug Solvang

From: Denise C. Schipper <DS@WhiteAssociates.com>

**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2013 6:17 AM

To: sbcob

**Cc:** SupervisorCarbajal

**Subject:** STRONGLY OPPOSED to Annexation of Camp 4

To All Involved,

I have recently moved to the Santa Ynez Valley and I am horrified to learn that there could be a housing development on the corner of the 154 and the 246.

The serenity and natural beauty of the landscape entering the valley would be negatively changed forever! Please do EVERYTHING possible to STOP this from happening.

I am STRIONGLY Opposed to the Annexation of Camp 4.

Warm regards,

Denise C. Schipper

From:

Sent:	Monday, August 12, 2013 6:31 AM
То:	SupervisorCarbajal; sbcob
Subject:	Preserve the beautiful Santa Ynez Valley please!
Good Morning Board of Supervisors,	
Thank you for this opportunity to introduce myself as one of your new constituents.	
My family bought a home in Santa Ynez recently and we are very excited to now call such a special place our home.	
One of the reasons we were drawn to the area was its distinctly rural nature and a sense of community that is increasingly hard to find in California.	
Thank you so much for all your efforts to continue to make this place special.	
Our family doesn't believe legal gambling is something our society needs, and isn't a good way to right past wrongs, but understand it is here to stay.	
What we can do now is make sure this special place isn't further changed by more development that is incongruous to its rural nature.	
Also can the county afford to take more property off the tax rolls?	
Can the schools and all the children accept more cuts because of it?	
Thank you for making the right decision and protecting the future of our community and our children.	
Warm regards,	
Greg	
Gregory A. Schipper	

Gregory Schipper < g@whiteassociates.com>

From: Linda Vanderwilt <talllinda@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 6:39 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** No to annexation of Camp 4

No on the Annexation of Camp 4 for expansion of the Chumash Casino

Merrill and Linda Vanderwilt Los Olivos, CA

From: slfocht@gmail.com on behalf of Sandra Focht <slfocht@aol.com>

Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 6:53 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** annexation of Camp 4

We strongly oppose the annexation of the Camp 4 property by fee-to-trust to the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians. They do NOT only plan housing for the property, just as they did NOT only plan a parking structure on their reservation as was previously stated by the Chairman at the "informational" meeting for the community many years ago. They also stated that they needed the 6.9 acres taken into "trust" so they could just build a museum. They did NOT say they were going to build a 27,000 square foot retail center on that property. We MUST oppose this fee-to-trust so as not to lose county planning control and revenue for the county, especially now when monies are so tight. We urge you to do the right thing for ALL of your constituents and NOT just a few who can spend monies freely.

Michael and Sandra Focht

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Sandra Focht SLFocht@aol.com

From: Barbara CLEVELAND <bcleve3@me.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 7:30 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** SYV transfer of Camp 4

#### To Whom It Concerns

Please do not allow our beautiful and unique SYV to be destroyed by opening up uncontrolled development by the Chumash Indian tribe. The area they are trying to develop is the gateway into a very special world of lovely ranches and wineries. The inappropriate and excessive development will impact its rural charm and character.

We urge the Board of Supervisors to oppose the transfer of Camp 4 from county jurisdiction. There is no compelling reason whatsoever for the county to relinquish its property and tax base.

Sincerely,

Barbara and Richard Cleveland

Barbara CLEVELAND bcleve3@me.com

From: Dennis Strong <strongbox9@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2013 7:32 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Oppose annexation of Camp 4

#### **Dear Supervisors:**

We are in strong opposition to the Chumash annexation of Camp 4 or any more land to their reservation, thereby taking the land out of control of our local government. They should be subject to the same laws and regulations as the rest of the citizens of Santa Barbara County. The Board of Supervisors have gone to a great deal of effort, time and money to develop a General Plan for the Santa Ynez Valley and this should not be circumvented by any of our citizens. Thank you for your consideration, Dennis and Donna Strong, Solvang

From: Julie Benson <julie@paninoinc.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 7:55 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Chumash annexation of property SYValley

Dear Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors:

Please, please, do not enter into any communication with the Chumash of the Santa Ynez Valley regarding ANY land annexation. They are able to buy land here and develop it according to existing parameters - if they are able to make any more land part of the "Chumash Nation" we will see the beginning of the end of our unique and beautiful valley. Thank you.

Julie Benson

From: Patrick Will <pwill@vintuswines.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 8:26 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Camp Four Dialog

#### Dear SBC Board of Supervisors:

I am writing to express my strong objection to the Chumash Tribe's request to enter into "government to government" discussions with SBC BoS. This action, if taken by the board, could be construed as showing local support for the annexation of Camp Four and help the tribe in their goal to remove this undeveloped parcel from county tax rolls. Any discussions with the tribe regarding their plans for the parcel will be moot once the land is taken into trust, and the tribe will be under no obligation to honor any agreements made with the county.

Annexation of Camp Four will have deleterious effects on the rural character and nature of the county in the short term, and will have huge, negative impacts in the long term, as the local economy shifts to accommodate the demands of increasing casino and resort tourism. The county will derive no tax revenue to help offset the increase in county services required to support the tribe's new developments, and the result will be a deterioration of county resources combined with a drastic and irreversible change in the culture and character of the valley.

Patrick T. Will Solvang

**From:** Justin Tevis <justin@platinumperformance.com>

Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 9:02 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** PLEASE SAY NO TO ANNEXATION OF CAMP 4

Dear SB County Board of Supervisors,

I oppose the annexation of Camp 4 and hope that you will as well. I believe in equal protection under the law and the Santa Ynez Valley has two separate sets of laws applying to people who grew up with the same valley experience. My family has coached Chumash members in wrestling, jiu jitsu, and football, and Chumash members have coached me in football. We should not be living under different legalities, despite whatever precedents have been set. It is inherently wrong.

Until we can all live under the same set of laws, discrimination will forever exist (in this case against non-Chumash residents who are not allowed to build gaming casinos on their properties).

Thank You, Justin Tevis 2086 Rebild Drive Solvang, CA 93463 805-245-9691



Justin Tevis Analytics Manager 805.688.1731 ext. 151

www.platinumperformance.com

From: Jack McCormack <sgtmac2@verizon.net>

**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2013 9:06 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Fee to Trust of Camp 4

#### Dear Supervisors:

As a 22 year resident of the Santa Ynez Valley living in the Oak trail Estates areal wish to express my sincere and total opposition to any so called Government to Government discussions with the The Chumash Casino Tribe. Their effort is to infer local agreement with their efforts to move the acreage that is know as Camp 4 into an extension of their present reservation via the fee to trust procedure. If that is accomplished our Valley, as we know it, will likely be ruined with another casino and hotel and what ever else they chose to put on it with no recourse from any elected body and no taxes from them.

Please DO NOT enter into any Government to Government contact with these people.

Jack McCormack 3360 Badger Road Santa Ynez, CA 93460

From: staroaks@aol.com

**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2013 9:07 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Tribal negotiations

As a taxpayer and voter of Santa Barbara County I wish to voice my displeasure in the Board of Supervisors entering into negotiations with the Chumash Tribe and the annexation of the Camp 4 property owned by the Tribe.

Allowing the Tribe to put this large parcel of property into Fee to Trust will deeply impact our Santa Ynez community and opens the door for more annexations in the future by this and other Indian tribes.

Please note my objection to this matter and take it into consideration.

Thank you. Carolyn Hurst Santa Ynez, Calif.

From: Jon's email <jonquirt@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 9:10 AM

To: sbcob

Cc:Deborah QuirtSubject:Chumash Tribe

As a resident of Santa Ynez Valley I am writing you express my opposition to any BIA Fee To Trust for Camp 4.

This proposed project seems be a combination of private and tribal resources, using the tribal authority to circumvent building codes and land usage. Camp 4 area is an important agricultural area. Development of this would negatively change the nature of the valley and place uncompensated burden on the services of the area

Sincerely, Jon Quirt 195 Meadowlark Road Santa Ynez, CA

Sent from my iPhone Sorry for any Typo's

From: Kelli Pappas <kellisnailart@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 9:10 AM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** Camp 4

# I do not support the annexation of camp 4...

I have lived here my whole life and feel that this Kind of growth would ruin our Beautiful valley.

Please keep the Whole valley and its residents in your decision.

# Kelli Pappas

NO TO ANNEXATION OF CAMP 4!!!!!!

From: Janet Hines <jihines@me.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 9:34 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Chumash - Camp 4

Please, please do not allow the Chumash to annex Camp 4. Enough is enough.

Janet Hines Solvang

From: joneshousemusic@comcast.net

Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 10:00 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Why I oppose the annexation of Camp 4

Dear SB County Board of Supervisors,

I oppose the annexation of Camp 4 and hope that you will as well. I believe in equal protection under the law and the Santa Ynez Valley has two separate sets of laws applying to people who grew up with the same valley experience. My children are fourth generation SYV residents and attended school with many of the children whose parents get the \$50,000 a month gambling stipend. I assure you the people living on the Chumash Reservation have more opportunities for education and employment than do our children. There is absolutely NO reason to annex Camp 4. There is plenty of housing available to tribe members and their families. If you allow this annexation to go through you will help destroy a pristine part of the beautiful Santa Ynez Valley.

Please support the majority of the residents in the Santa Ynez Valley and say "NO" to the annexation.

Sincerely,

Karen Jones 1120 Edison Street Santa Ynez, CA

805 245-0238

From: Chris Mills <m5r@me.com>

**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2013 10:03 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Chumash:Camp 4

#### Dear Supervisors,

I'am writing to request that you do not enter into any "government to government" dialogue with the Chumash tribe. It is my belief the tribe is putting pressure on you, to give the impression to the BIA that there is local support for the annexation of Camp 4. Please, let it be clear to the BIA that the majority of valley residents are not in favor of such a decision. In fact, many feel it would be the destruction of the valley as we know it. If the Chumash wish to build homes on the Camp 4 property for their members, then they should be required to go through the standard permitting process.

Sincerely,

Chris Mills

From:	Paul Smith <psgoleta@gmail.com></psgoleta@gmail.com>
Sent:	Monday, August 12, 2013 10:47 AM
To:	sbcob
Subject:	Opposed to Chumash expansion

To whom it may concern,

I wanted my voice to be heard on this issue and am very opposed to the further development of the Chumash casino on the 246. I am a resident of the Santa Ynez valley and am opposed to fee to trust camp property. No, to further expansion!

Concerned citizen,

Paul Smith

Sent from my iPhone

From: Nancy Rydell <fairhill5@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 10:56 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** NO FOR CHUMASH EXPANSION OF CAMP 4

## NO FOR ANNEXATION OF CAMP 4 IN OUR BEAUTIFUL SANTA YNEZ VALLEY!

Nancy Rydell
Fair Hills Farms
3354 Willow St.
Santa Ynez, Ca. 93460
805-688-2542(work)
805-705-1013(cell)
805-686-4073(fax)
www.fairhillsapplefarm.com

From: Fred Lageman <fredlageman@yahoo.com>

**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2013 10:56 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Camp 4 Annexation

To the Board of Supervisors,

I would encourage you to OPPOSE Annexation of Camp 4 by the Chumash Tribe. Please do not enter into dialogue with the Tribe in order for them to remove the 1400 acre Camp 4 property from County jurisdiction.

Sincerely,

Fred Lageman

From: Jordan Mo <jordanmo@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 11:15 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Chumash fee-to-trust

Everybody who calls the cops, drives the roads, stops at stops at stop signs, in other words enjoys the benefits of safety and security in the Valley should pay his/her fair share of taxes. Period.

I amor the strong opinion that whoever bamboozled the Department of Interior to recognize tribes as separate nations, not answerable to the laws that govern the rest of us should have to recognize the wreckage he wrought and apologize.

Jordan Mo 753 Hillside Drive Solvang, CA 93463 686--4301

From: Karas Kenneth <kenckaras@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 11:24 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Chumash Camp 4 - OPPOSE

#### **Dear Supervisors:**

I would like to register my vehement opposition to the so-called Chumash Indian Tribe's attempt to annex Camp 4. It has been my observation over the years that Santa Barbarans are often very concerned with maintaining the bucolic nature of the Santa Ynez Valley. I can think of nothing that would be more damaging to the historical activities in the Santa Ynez Valley or the social structure than allowing the Chumash to annex Camp 4. It will result in uncontrolled and unbridled development and create a blight on this beautiful community.

Thank you.

Ken Karas

From: Jeff Nelson <jsn@silcom.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 11:45 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Chumash 'government to government' annexation issue

Dear Members of the SB Co. Board of Supervisions;

Myself, and countless others in the Santa Ynez Valley, hope you will not be short sighted. You KNOW that the Chumash plan to annex camp 4 property is a self serving, illegal land grab that does NOT serve the intended purpose of laws governing issues with so called tribes, in an effort to right historic wrongs. Please do the right thing. Serve the majority of Santa Barbara county residents that harbor no ill will toward the Chumash, but do expect them as US citizens to play by the same rules as the rest of us. The time for special privilege on the backs of the rest of us that are far removed from the historic wrongs, as are the current Chumash, is over. They are already reaping a windfall. Time for the tribe to "man up" and pay their "fair share" of taxes like the rest of us. Time for the BOS to "person up" and do the right thing, rejecting this slap in the taxpayer's face of granting a select group special privilege.

We see the effect that the self-serving "gifts" (to put it charitably) to the government agencies and the community have on the greedy, short sighted recipients. We the voters, are not blind to the scheme, and will remember well at the next election. Please reject the government to government discussion/annexation scam the Chumash band are pulling on you, OUR representatives.

Jeff Nelson Santa Ynez

## Lenzi, Chelsea

From: Lloyd Mills <lloydmills@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 11:54 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Camp 4 Annexation by Chumash

Dear Supervisors, I am totally against the Chumash annexation of Camp 4! Thank you for taking care of the interests of the majority of SB County residents! Ken Mills 41 years in Solvang

From: Carolyn Rickard <cha7cha@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 12:14 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Stop the Chumash

Stop the Chumash from furthering their initiative to building a casino in the SYV.

Sincerely, Carolyn Rickard

Sent from my iPhone

From: Trace Eubanks <eubanksproductions@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2013 1:54 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Camp 4 Fee to Trust

## Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

You know as well as me that you are not in a position to subvert the law. It is well known that you do not possess the authority to grant "fee to trust" transfers and that the intent of the trial leadership in initiating a supposed "government to government" dialogue regarding Camp 4 is solely to facilitate a legislative process for placing the Camp 4 property in trust. This in unacceptable to me and many other groups of concerned citizens of the Santa Ynez Valley that for many years have voiced their concerns about this very issue. Please remember....

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I am opposed to the transfer of Camp 4 from County jurisdiction – there is no compelling reason whatsoever for you (our County Board of Supervisors) to relinquish its property and tax base especially during these difficult financial times. Is the County so flush with excess/surplus cash that you feel this is in the County's' best financial interest to consider? I think not!

Please remember you are representing all of us and not just a few.

Respectfully,

**Trace Eubanks** 

3631 Roblar Avenue

# Santa Ynez, CA. 93460

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Trace Eubanks
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805-325-1513c

From: marilyn simandle <simandle68@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2013 2:04 PM

To: sbcob

## Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

You know as well as me that you are not in a position to subvert the law. It is well known that you do not possess the authority to grant "fee to trust" transfers and that the intent of the trial leadership in initiating a supposed "government to government" dialogue regarding Camp 4 is solely to facilitate a legislative process for placing the Camp 4 property in trust. This in unacceptable to me and many other groups of concerned citizens of the Santa Ynez Valley that for many years have voiced their concerns about this very issue. Please remember....

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Please remember you are representing all of us and not just a few.

Thank you so much

Marilyn Simandle 778 Refugio rd Santa Ynez, Ca. 93460 805 686 1000

From: Klaus Brown <klausbrownsyv@yahoo.com>

**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2013 2:07 PM

**To:** sbcob **Cc:** Farr, Doreen

**Subject:** Board of Supervisors Meeting on 20 Aug --- BOS Govt to Govt with Chumash

#### Dear Supervisor Carbajal,

I am a resident of Santa Barbara County. I reside at 5465 Baseline Ave in Santa Ynez, within a relatively short distence of Camp 4. I am adamantly opposed to any "government to government" discussions or meetings between the Board of Supervisors or any County staff with the Chumash Tribe to discuss issues regarding Camp 4. I oppose any action by the Board that would be seen as local government support of annexation of Camp 4 by the Chumash Tribe. I am fully agreement with the SYVCC letter to the Santa Maria Times, dated 13 July 2013. A copy of the text is below:

#### "6 HOURS AGO • CAROL HERRERA BOARD MEMBER SANTA YNEZ VALLEY CONCERNED CITIZENS

Santa Ynez Valley Concerned Citizens represents approximately 1,000 households and is adamantly opposed to any negotiation or discussion between the Board of Supervisors and the Chumash concerning fee-to-trust/land annexation or development of the 1,400-acre Camp 4 property, regardless of the stated intentions for use.

The tribe is a private landowner as it relates to Camp 4. There is no tribal government status or element of sovereignty on these properties. By engaging in a government-to-government dialog, absent a BIA process, the Board of Supervisors would effectively and illegally infer governmental authority to the tribe.

Any future development of Camp 4 is unambiguously settled in the Santa Ynez Valley Community Plan, the official county government-sanctioned blueprint for development in our Valley, and it reflects the inputs, objectives and desires of Valley residents, taxpayers, businesses and government.

The board does not possess the authority to grant fee-to-trust transfer. It is obvious the intent of tribal leadership in initiating a supposed government-to-government dialog regarding Camp 4 is to facilitate a legislative process for placing the Camp 4 property in trust. This is unacceptable to Concerned Citizens and our broader community.

We recognize the sovereignty of the tribe as it pertains to its existing reservation. We are concerned at the prospects of increased size, power and financial clout of this unelected government within our county, and its inherent conflicts with our existing land-use laws and government.

We urge the Board of Supervisors to oppose the transfer of Camp 4 from county jurisdiction. There is no compelling reason whatsoever for the county to relinquish its property and tax base."

I am also providing a copy of this email to Supervisor Farr, who represents my area. I will also be attending the Board of Supervisors Meeting on 20 Aug to voice my strong concerns regarding annexation of Camp 4 by the Chumash Tribe.

Thank you in advance for your support in this matter.

KIaus M. Brown 5465 Baseline Ave Santa Ynez, CA 93460. klausbrownsyv@yahoo.com

From: Susan Vasek <javsav@peoplepc.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 2:11 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Opposition to proposed meeting with Chumash

I adamantly oppose bos meeting with Chumash for any discussions about annexation of camp 4... It is imperative you do not do so as it is an attempt to change our community Susan a Vasek Santa Ynez ca

Sent from my iPhone

From: Terri Kaslow <kaslow@sbceo.org>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 2:17 PM

**To:** sbcob

**Subject:** Against Annexation of Camp 4

From: Susie Snow <ssnow@uclabruins.net>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 2:26 PM

To: sbcob

Subject:vote no on annexationAttachments:Board of Supervisors.doc

August 12, 2013

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

We need your help!

We are writing regarding the possible annexation of additional land to the Santa Ynez Valley Chumash Reservation. With the income from their gaming casino the approximate 150 members are now able to buy any property in the valley, for which we are very happy for them. According to the news releases the Tribe wants to annex the land they buy to the Reservation thus removing it from any State and County restrictions. We feel this is wrong and that they should be required to follow the same ordinance laws and zoning that we all have to follow.

We are afraid if you approve this annexation that a precedent will be set allowing the use of this "loop hole" to bring their massive development to an area zoned agricultural and our beautiful rural valley will be changed forever. To give 150 people or anyone the right to do this is wrong.

We are sure this letter is mild compared to some you will be getting but the request is the same......Save our rural paradise.

PLEASE vote NO on any land annexation to the Chumash Reservation

Sincerely,

Susie Snow, Pat Wall and Jean Wall

285 Meadowlark Road Santa Ynez, California 93460 Ph. 805 688-0486

From: Paul Campagnino <pc2450@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 3:34 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Chumash Annexation of Camp 4 Land

## To all the members of the Santa Barbara BOS

I strongly protest the annexation of the 1400 acre camp 4 parcel to the Chumash Reservation. You must protect this open space and STOP the Chumash for developing this land. You should NOT enter into dialog of any kind on this matter with the Chumash Govt.

If they just want to build houses for their 140 +/- members let them build their homes on the existing land and abide by county and state regulations and PAY their taxes to Santa Barbara.

Please STOP them from destroying our Valley.

Thank You, Paul Campagnino Resident and Voter

From: Renee Kelleher <rkart1@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 4:07 PM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** Camp 4

Dear Board of Supervisors,

Please do not ignore me. Please hear our concerns.

I am one among many concerned citizens of Santa Ynez Valley. That the wealthy Chumash tribe has tried again to get away without paying their fair share of taxes by going to the government for support in their attempt to make Camp 4 eligible to go into Trust is unconscionable. Wow! Where are they when they know the rest of the valley residents have to pay county taxes, adhere to laws and regulations, and want their taxes in our coffers too? This is a very self-serving effort they are attempting to make. And of course, the rich just keep getting richer...

More to the point is: where do all of you stand knowing the same? That they simply need to show support from local government to move forward on Camp 4 trust process is allowing all of you the opportunity to help the concerned local residents by voicing a resounding "NO WAY"!!!!! No local government support, no dialogue, therefore, no federal Trust on privately held land.

There is still no viable argument FOR this request of theirs that we can find. What are your answers to them going to be? This valley may not be your front yard, and you may not feel the strong objections we have. But Doreen Farr is clearly feeling their pressure. I believe she knows their ways. And I do not believe she will cave into them. She has listened to her constituents' concerns and has offered her support to us. Thank you, Ms Farr, for hearing our voices and for being a positive voice for all of us at this meeting.

Hopefully the rest of you will actually take the time to listen to us and to hear our plea, as well. Ask the tribe simply to pay their fair share by avoiding government to government dialogue and conversation about putting their private land into trust. Expect them to Act like a concerned valley resident who pays his taxes and follows the same rules of the land the rest of us must.

So SIMPLE to see....really.

Sincerely, Renée Kelleher

From: noelle.clark@minichfamily.us

Sent: Nonday, August 12, 2013 4:27 PM

To: sbcob
Subject: 1200 acres

Please do not put this acreage into fee to trust. Please!!!! Already the crime rate has gone up, property values have gone down and this will reduce the tax base even more. I beg you,

Noelle Clark

From: Jan Dee Crosby <jandee@mac.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 4:30 PM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** Camp 4

Dear Board of Supervisors, Santa Barbara County,

Please oppose the Camp 4 annexation. We all need to function by the same rules of conduct.

Your conduct on this decision will speak volumes on whether anyone ever elects you for any continued political position in your life.

Try to remember you work FOR ALL YOUR CONSTITUENTS.

Not just those with the money.

Regards Jan Crosby

From: Sharon Kline <shar.ranchosanlorenzo@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2013 4:38 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Chumash Tribe Fee to Trust Action

Dear SB Board of Supervisors,

I wish to join the numerous community members who oppose the Fee-to-Trust transfer of 1,400 acres in the Santa Ynez Valley.

I believe this request is simply a ploy to transfer property out of county supervision so the Tribe can develop it into an inappropriate business. More casinos, resorts, and activities based on allowing gambling to flourish without regard to zoning regulations or the public interest.

I find the request to build houses so Tribe members have adequate dwellings is absurd. Tribe members receive thousands of dollars a month from the casino operations and can clearly purchase any number of attractive properties.

I oppose any action by the BOS that would facilitate this blatant disregard of private property rights. Should the Tribe be able to secure the parcel as a reservation, county government would have no way to enforce zoning regulations that govern property owned by private citizens. This is unfair.

Sincerely, Sharon Tate-Kline.

From: Karen Langley Stephen <karenlangs@yahoo.com>

**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2013 6:02 PM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** CAMP 4

PLEASE, PLEASE DON'T SELL OUT OUR VALLEY!!! The manipulation of our laws and rights is shocking. WE ARE YOUR CONSTITUENTS - We VOTED for you - We BELIEVED in you and TRUSTED you to protect us and work in our best interests - NOT YOURS!. We worked hard, saved our money and invested our life's savings and fame's lives in this community, WHAT HAPPENED TO OUR RIGHTS TO A SAFE AND PEACEFUL LIFE? HAVE YOU DISCARDED US IN THE INTEREST OF...MONEY??? HAVE YOU NOT CONSIDERED WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THIS VALLEY IF YOU CONSENT TO CHUMASH/CAMP 4 DEVELOPMENT? WE ARE ALREADY SHORT OF WATER -WHERE WILL MORE COME FROM ?- EVEN THE CHUMASH CAN'T BUY THAT. WHAT ABOUT THE LACK OF ROADS, THE BOTTLENECKED TRAFFIC, THE LACK SCHOOLS - Oh, yes - THE INCREASED DRUNK DRIVERS, DRUGS, CRIME not to mention, CORRUPTION ...OR ARE THE CHUMASH PROMISING TO COVER ALL THOSE COSTS? PERHAPS BUYING MORE COP CARS AND FIRE TRUCKS AS A TRADE OFF? HAVE YOU EVEN CONSIDERED OUR ENVIRONMENT - OUR AIR QUALITY? We all know that money speaks, and in this case it shouts, but WHEN YOU ALL LEAVE OFFICE - OR MOVE from this Valley because it's no longer the sweet community you once knew - CAN YOU LIVE WITH YOURSELF WHEN YOU LEAVE THIS VALLEY AND IT'S RESIDENTS (YOUR FORMER CONSTITUENTS) SO PERMANENTLY DAMAGED AT YOUR OWN HANDS? THIS IS THE LEGACY YOU WILL LEAVE FOR GENERATIONS TO COME.

IT TAKES GREAT COURAGE TO DO THE RIGHT THING - TO STAND STRONG IN FACE OF INTIMIDATION AND MAINTAIN YOUR INTEGRITY. IT'S WHY WE WANTED YOU TO REPRESENT US - PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE - DON'T SELL OUT OUR VALLEY!!!

**KEL** 

From: Bill Clausen <wjc1450@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 7:02 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** No to annexation of Camp 4

No to annexation of Camp 4. -Bill Clausen- PO box 636, Solvang, Ca. 805-698-2031.

From: Lois Brown <loisbrownsyv@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 8:35 PM

**To:** sbcob **Cc:** Farr, Doreen

**Subject:** Board of Supervisors Meeting on 20 Aug - BOS Govt to Govt with Chumash

## Dear Supervisor Carbajal:

I am a resident and voter in Santa Barbara County, living near to Camp 4. I am strongly opposed to any "government to government" discussion of Camp 4 between the Board of Supervisors (or any County staff) and the Chumash Tribe. The tribe is a private landowner as relates to Camp 4. It has no tribal government status or sovereignty on these properties. By inappropriately engaging in a "government-to-government" dialog, absent a BIA process, the Board of Supervisors would <u>illegally</u> infer governmental authority to the tribe.

## Sincerely,

Lois Brown 5465 Baseline Ave. Santa Ynez, CA 93460

From: Oscar Guidali <oscarobet@att.net>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 9:29 PM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** Camp 4

Although the Chumash are entitled to buy land, we as neighbors oppose to any annexation which would make the land an extension of the current reservation. The land at the corner of 246 and 154 should be subject to zoning and all other legal requirements that apply to the rest of us.

Oscar and Elizabeth Guidali 2540 Pommel Dr. Solvang, CA

From: Kendall Mills < kendallmills@me.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 11:42 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Camp 4 annexation

Dear Supervisors of SB County, I AM TOTALLY OPPOSED TO THE CHUMASH ANNEXATION OF THEIR 1,400 acres CAMP 4 PROPERTY! Thank you, Ken Mills 41 years resident

From: Ethel Larrabee < e.larrabee@verizon.net>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 7:40 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Oppose Camp 4 Annexation

Do not even consider negotiating "government to government", which is not legal to do.

I am vehemently opposed to the Annexation of Camp 4 by the Chumash Band, because fee-to-trust takes the property off the tax roll. That is not fair to the community of the Santa Ynez Valley. May the Chumash enjoy their property as other owners do theirs.

Sincerely, Ethel Larrabee

From: Natalie Lawrence <writeon59@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 8:30 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** CAMP 4 ANNEXATION

## Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

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**Natalie Lawrence** 

Citizen, Santa Ynez

From: Joe Tevis <joetevis@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 8:45 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** camp 4 property

I oppose the annexation of this property to the chumash.

Joe Tevis 364 1st st Solvang Dear Santa Barbra County Supervisors-

I am opposed to the Fee-to-Trust application of the Chumash and any annexation regarding the Camp 4 property or any other properties for this reason:

# It is dividing our community and will encourage further divisiveness, from a local and national perspective, in perpetuity.

It is clear that tensions throughout our nation are rapidly rising between economic, racial, religious groups etc. Sadly and ironically, this is often due to legal exploits and 'political correctness', which is eroding our precious country.

Why on earth would we want to encourage separate nations within a nation to disengage itself when our ancestors fought so hard for cohesiveness?

Money, once again, seems to be the motivator of the current legal fight, on both sides. Common sense has gone awry and the tribe's legal action is a deception to convince others that retribution compensates for past bad behavior and justifies future bad behavior, with tables turned.

Do we let our kids fight over a baseball bat or encourage them to share in order to mutually enjoy the game?

Annexation will not help anyone, certainly not the neighbors (the Santa Ynez Valley and beyond.) Nor will it ultimately help the tribal members in terms of independence from a way of life, which steals away integrity and promotes an ethos of entitlement thinking. This issue is detrimental to our Valley and is eroding into ethical concern and causing a break down in terms of sense-of-community.

Yes, there are many legal issues that will be used to support or contradict an annexation. But when will somebody stand up and say this goes way beyond legalities and instead say, "This is just plain wrong for all of our collective futures"?

Our valley has tangibly and intangibly suffered, and will suffer exponentially if annexation is allowed. We would no longer retain 'the Valley' charm and uniqueness but become known as an Indian destination site for gambling and the inevitabilities that come with that business model. The Valley will no longer be a bucolic haven where honest hard work is admired but instead where guilt is used to brow-beat people into thinking that removal of Indian lands into a separate Indian nation makes amends for mistakes of peoples past. We are smarter and more visionary than this.

Yes, people need quality homes and quality lives. This can be achieved without extricating oneself into 'segregatory mode' for, let's be honest, an ulterior purpose…living outside the common laws of the community for monetary gain and control.

Please say no to annexation. Protect our valley and our nation, and stand up for character, integrity, and wisdom. This generation can have a proper vision, not of destruction but of positive construction, through building relationship not adversaries.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Sheridan Force Solvang, CA

**From:** Quirt, Deborah <debquirt@edinarealty.com>

Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 5:38 PM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** Camp 4

As a resident of Santa Ynez Valley I am writing you express my opposition to any BIA Fee To Trust for Camp 4.

This proposed project seems be a combination of private and tribal resources, using the tribal authority to circumvent building codes and land usage. Camp 4 area is an important agricultural area. Development of this would negatively change the nature of the valley and place uncompensated burden on the services of the area Sincerely, Deb Quirt,

Deb Quirt Edina Realty 6800 France Ave. 612-741-1437c.

www.debquirt.com debquirt@edinarealty.com

sent from my iPhone.

From: Mike Hadley <mhadley@silcom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 6:26 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Government to Government dialogue with Board of Supervisors

#### Dear Board of Supervisors:

My roots in this Valley go back to 1900 and my wife and I have owned property here for thirty-seven years. This Valley is a very unique place and arguably one of the best areas to live in the entire United States. I strongly urge you not to enter any "Government to Government" dialogue with the Chumash Tribe as it relates to Camp 4. They have every right to address the Board as a resident but not as a government. It is important that the Board does not give the perception they are dealing with the Tribe on a government to government basis.

Currently the Tribe has a very successful business with the Casino and the other commercial properties owned by them in the Cities of Solvang and Buellton. Originally the fee to trust process by the federal government was to allow them to put land into trust for economic reasons. With the income from their commercial developments and the Casino, the Tribe is not suffering economically. There are only two reasons to put Camp 4 into trust; to avoid the taxes the rest of us in the Valley have to pay and the right to build anything they want without any oversight. They currently have the right to develop the property in accordance with the Valley Blueprint and should do so. To allow them to put the land in trust thus avoiding all county and state oversight on what they build would be a travesty. It gets down to fairness, everyone, including the Tribe, should help pay for the benefits received by being a resident of the Valley.

Please consider the negative effects of even giving the perception you are dealing with the Tribe on a government to government basis concerning Camp 4. I would hope the Board would be against any fee to trust for Camp 4. It is good to remember you represent all the residents of Santa Barbara County.

Yours truly,

Mike Hadley 420 Meadowlark Road Santa Ynez, CA 93460 805-688-7375

From: Laura Matthews < RockyRiver@verizon.net>

Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 7:01 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** SAY NO to the Fee to Trust Transfer of Camp 4

#### To SB County Supervisors:

Born in Santa Barbara, and raised in the Santa Ynez Valley since 1960 I have seen the dramatic and very negative impact the Chumash Casino has had on our Valley, mainly due to the large increase in crimes being committed in our once very quiet and serene Valley. My 92 year old mother, also born in Santa Barbara and lived in the Valley since 1960 has also seen the horrible changes to the Valley culture. We are all devastated knowing impact this has on an area, and the dangerous elements now surrounding our children. The Santa Ynez Valley was relatively crime free until the casino was built. Aside from this, we do not trust the Chumash to be honest about their intentions for the use of Camp 4 and feel they will do whatever it takes to turn Camp 4 into another cash machine for themselves and traffic hazard for the rest of us, along with additional increases in the level of crime to our small Valley.

#### PLEASE STOP the Fee to Trust Transfer of Camp 4 to the Chumash!

Thank you,

Laura and Timothy Mathews Donald and Doris Ray 819 & 821 Kolding Ave Solvang, CA

From: Betz Hadley <betz@mhadley.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 7:44 PM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** Camp 4

Dear Board of Supervisors,

My husband and I have owned property in the Valley for over thirty-seven years and have paid taxes since we purchased the parcel. To allow the Tribe to remove Camp 4, approximately 1400 acres from the county tax rolls is grossly unfair to those of us who reside in Santa Barbara County. The Tribe is economically solvent to the extent they can afford to pay their way. It is my understanding that fee to trust is supposed to be for economic reasons and if that is the case, fee to trust should not apply to Camp 4. Please represent the residents of this Valley by not meeting with the Tribe in a government to government meeting. They have a right to address the Board as residents, just like the rest of us.

Yours truly,

Betsy Hadley 420 Meadowlark Road Santa Ynez, CA 93460

From: Lafio2 < lafio2@aol.com>

Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 8:00 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Postponement of aug. meeting with Chumash

August 13, 2013

Supervisor Salud Carbajal, Chair

105 E. Anapamu St.

FAX: 805-568-2534

Santa Barbara, CA 93101 Phone: 805-568-2186

Re: Request for postponement of August 20<sup>th</sup> Meeting regarding dialogue with the Santa Ynez Band of Mission Chumash Indians (Santa Ynez Band)

Dear Supervisor Carbajal,

In light of the Santa Ynez Band's recent application to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for fee to trust on their privately owned 1,400 acres, and Third District Supervisor Doreen Farr's continued opposition of fee-to-trust in her district, Preservation of Los Olivos, P.O.L.O., a grass roots citizen group representing thousands of Santa Barbara citizens, requests that you cancel, or at a minimum continue/postpone, the August 20<sup>th</sup>meeting regarding the Santa Ynez Band. Setting a special dialogue for the Santa Ynez Band creates a process no other person or group is entitled to violating the equal protection rights of all other citizens of Santa Barbara County.

In addition, we recommend that the County Counsel be given time to research the following new developments. County Counsel, must be able to provide the Board of Supervisors with counsel to prevent the Board of Supervisors from inadvertently suggesting County cooperation or approval of the Santa Ynez Band's stated purpose to take this 1,400 acres, and future lands from Morro Bay to Malibu, into its jurisdiction. The following are the new developments and why we urge you to cancel, or postpone the August 20<sup>th</sup> meeting:

- 1. Impact on property owners, Santa Ynez Valley Community Plan, the County: The Santa Ynez Band's application to take 1,400 acres into federal trust -County only receiving notification from the Santa Ynez Band of this application on August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013. (The application is currently under review by the Bureau of Indian Affairs).
- 2. Unrestricted development: The Secretary will not restrict development use on land in trust: 25 CFR 151: "...current land acquisition regulations in 25 CFR Part 151 do not authorize the Department to impose restrictions on a Tribe's future use of land which has been taken into trust." (Enclosed letter from Assistant Secretary Carl Artman, May 12, 2008)
- 3. Despite their assurances, the only necessary reason to place land into trust is to ensure the opportunity for gaming. (Enclosed letter, Memorandum from Assistant Secretary Carl Artman, January 3, 2008)
- 4. 4. Impact on property values and water: Summer, 2013 U.C. Hastings College of Law Review article entitled: "Reservation and Quantification of Indian Groundwater Rights in California" that states: "This note will lay out arguments the Santa Ynez Chumash Band of Indians could use *to*

secure a right to groundwater on their reservation in Santa Barbara County as their successful casino brings in more and more visitors at the same time that groundwater beneath their reservation is depleted by non-Indian users." (Enclosed)

- 5. Fee-to-trust litigation pending: 6.9: P.O.L.O.'s ongoing litigation on the 6.9 acre fee-to-trust application where P.O.L.O. states the following:
  - 1. a. The Santa Ynez Band is not eligible for fee to trust land transfer
  - 2. b. Land under State jurisdiction cannot be turned back into federal land
  - 3. c. Rights to entitlement of aboriginal land were extinguished in California
  - 4. d. The Santa Ynez Band's assertion that land in trust is exempt from state and local regulations is false (P.O.L.O. filings enclosed)
- 6. Equal protection: Special preference dialogue with the Santa Ynez Band regarding fee owned property violates equal protection of all other landowners
- 7. Fugual protection: County Counsel must be in a position to ensure equal protection for all citizens, and to ensure the Board's well meaning intentions of dialogue may not be used against them. As P.O.L.O.'s research has uncovered, the Santa Ynez Band is an entity that opens the door as a constituent and then acts as a government entitled to federal rights. For them to gain federal rights means they have to take away the rights of others that should be protected by the State and County: property rights, civil rights, process rights, water rights all rights creating preferences that violate equal protection and elevating them above all of the rules that everyone else has to obey. (Enclosed, Santa Ynez Band Motion to Strike, see page 15 and footnote 45, Feinstein letter.)

For the above reasons the Board of Preservation of Los Olivos, requests that you cancel, or at the minimum continue/postpone, the August 20<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

Respectfully,

The Board of Preservation of Los Olivos

Cc: Supervisors Doreen Farr, Janet Wolf, Peter Adam, Steve Lavagnino, Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board

Linda Fiorentine

**From:** Kyle Abello@ucsd.edu> **Sent:** Tuesday, August 13, 2013 8:46 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Please do not enter into Fee-to-Trust dialogue

#### Dear Supervisors,

I am writing to urge you NOT to enter into any Fee to Trust dialogue with the Chumash Tribe regarding their Camp 4 property. It is a privately owned property, not tribal reservation, and as such it should be governed by all the rules and regulations that the County has seen fit to put in place to protect the rural character of the Santa Ynez Valley. To enter into a dialogue with the tribe about the property gives your tacit consent to allowing the land to be taken into trust and out of the SY Valley Plan, County and State tax rolls, and disregards the vast majority of your constituents in the Valley who will be impacted by development of this pristine piece of property that is zoned for agriculture.

If you value the rule of law and respect for the years of public input that went into the creation of the SY Valley Plan; if you value zoning appropriate development and the future viability of agriculture in the Valley and the County; and if you value your promise to represent all of your constituents and do what is best for the County as a whole, I ask you to decline a dialogue with the tribe regarding non-tribal (i.e. off-reservation) properties.

Thank you for preserving our County for future generations.

Sincerely, Kyle Abello Solvang

From: Steve Raftopoulos <steveraftopoulos@me.com>

Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 8:51 PM

**To:** Carbajal, Salud; Farr, Doreen; Wolf, Janet; Lavagnino, Steve; Adam, Peter; sbcob

**Subject:** Camp 4 Agenda Item - request for cancellation

Dear Supervisor Carbajal and Board,

I am aware of the upcoming August 20th meeting at which the BOS will consider commencing negotiations with the Chumash Casino Tribe regarding

removal of Camp 4 from Santa Barbara County jurisdiction. This meeting is highly inappropriate. As a Santa Ynez Valley resident, taxpayer and voter

I urge you, in the strongest terms, to cancel the meeting and inform the Tribe that the BOS is not able to entertain special negotiations and grant special

favors to private landowners.

You and the Board are acutely aware of the myriad and unsolvable issues that a fee to trust transfer of Camp 4 creates for both our community and

county. As well as the overwhelming opposition it faces amongst voters in both the Valley and County. To put it mildly, it is an absolute outrage that

this topic can even be considered. We expect you, as our elected representatives, to stand up for the interests of the broader community - not the interests

of the deep pocketed 143 tribal members who demand increasingly greater entitlements from both our federal and local government.

We will not accept, under any circumstances, the false premise of "tribal housing" as political cover. We all know, as fact, that the 143 wealthy tribal

members and their extended families are housed better than the "other 99%" both within the Valley and in second homes in other high-end real estate

markets. The days of striving for "economic independence" have long since passed. This is now a story of unbridled ambition at the expense of the

community. And regardless, our County development and zoning laws are agnostic to "needs". This concept will never be accepted by voters, unless

you are prepared to unilaterally accept "need" based requests at the planning department. In which case I will be first in line for a large zoning variance.

As I have previously informed you, the Tribe has absolutely no "governmental" authority as it relates to Camp 4. This is another false premise that we as

voters will not accept. Camp 4 falls under the authority of ONE government and only ONE - our elected county government. We will not be subject to the demands of another.

Lastly, I urge you and fellow board members to support our third district supervisor, Doreen Farr, as you would expect her and other board members

to support land use issues within your own districts. She is our elected district representative and has made it abundantly clear that she supports her

constituents in complete opposition to any more fee to trust transfers.

The voters of this County can not and will not stand by and allow this to happen. We will work tirelessly to expose this process, both locally and nationally, and to block it with every legal means available. Democracy must and will prevail!

Sincerely,

Steve Raftopoulos Voter, Resident & Patriot

From: Dominick DellaValle <dommdell@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 8:52 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Opposition to the transfer of Camp 4 from County jurisdiction.

August 13, 2013

Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

I am writing to you to express my opposition to the transfer of Camp 4 from County jurisdiction.

As You know, the Board of Supervisors is not authorized to grant "fee to trust" transfers and that the intent of the tribal leadership in initiating a supposed "government to government" dialogue regarding Camp 4 is solely to facilitate a legislative process for placing the Camp 4 property in trust. I, along with many other concerned citizens of the Santa Ynez Valley have voiced concerns about this very issue.

The Board is well aware that the tribe does not have a legal basis for requesting a 'government-to-government' discussion with the county on Camp 4 since this is "privately" owned land by the Chumash organization. They continue to state that they want to annex this land so that they may provide better housing for tribal members living on the reservation. The Chumash may develop that land for tribal members' residences at any time since they own the land. Any attempt to annex this land is only an effort to circumvent the state and county regulations that all citizens need to comply with, and to avoid paying taxes and fees that are required of all citizens.

Legally, a tribe has 'government to government' status ONLY when dealing with tribal properties, which Camp 4 is not. Additionally, to annex Camp 4, remove it from county jurisdiction and have it become tribal property, the Chumash tribe must be able to show they have local governmental support for this annexation. To date, all local governmental bodies including the city councils, and county groups that have been approached by the Chumash, have refused to support the annexation.

I am opposed to the transfer of Camp 4 from County jurisdiction and believe there is no compelling reason whatsoever for our County Board of Supervisors to relinquish this element of the property and tax base.

Sincerely,

From: Walter Alves <waltkayalves@verizon.net>

Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 9:09 PM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** Camp 4

To the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors:

The issues involved in the Camp 4 discussion are far more than what may happen to the 1400 acres of land in the Santa Ynez Valley. You need to keep these potential impacts to the entire county in mind, as you consider the requested "dialogue" with the Chumash Tribe.

California Property Tax Law, and California Court Opinions define market value, or "fair market value" to mean the amount of cash, or its equivalent, that property would bring if exposed for sale on the open market, under conditions in which neither buyer or seller could take advantage of the "urgent needs" of the other, and both buyer and seller have knowledge of all of the uses and purposes to which the property is adapted, and for which it is capable of being used, and of the enforceable restrictions upon those uses and purposes. This definition is under the historic condition that all immediately adjacent properties are subject to like uses and purposes. It would follow, property not subject to similar uses and purposes, would affect the unrestricted property, but also all of those properties near that have different restricted uses and purposes.

Santa Barbara County is a very difficult location to create major land use changes. You hear weekly about major control and land use restrictions. However, that control is a major contributor to the market value level of every property within our county.

Entering in to a dialogue that may facilitate a "fee to trust" action is a far reaching precedent and a fiscally damaging action.

The Chumash Tribe is just another property owner in Santa Barbara County, not a Sovereign Government, except on the existing Reservation. The Camp 4 property was purchased, with knowledge that it was contractually restricted as an Agricultural Preserve. The contract is binding on land, no matter the ownership. This is yet another restriction created by agriculture, and approved by the voters of California, to control land use in exchange for affordable taxes, based on permitted agriculture uses. To undermine this program is a major disservice to agriculture and the people of California.

If housing, rather than Sovereign control, is what is needed, why not proceed with land use change applications, which is a well used process that all Santa Barbara County residents are required to use.

I firmly OPPOSE the "government to government" dialogue requested on the Camp 4 agenda item, based upon my 40 years of experience in Property Tax and Agricultural Preserve law.

Sincerely,

Walter V. Alves County Assessor's Office, Retired

1235 Calzada Avenue Santa Ynez, CA 93460 805-688-4305

From: Saint Lion <saint\_lion@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 9:52 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Chumash land to trust

I highly object to this proposition. The traffic at that intersection is already dangerous. I also object to the lack of regulation regarding building on Camp 4.

Ann Young 236 White Oak Road Santa Ynez, CA 93460

From: solvangdoc@gmail.com on behalf of g dascanio <gad4med@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 13, 2013 11:06 PM

To: SupervisorCarbajal; Wolf, Janet; Farr, Doreen; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve

**Cc:** sbcob

**Subject:** BOS Meeting Aug 20th/ Fee to trust application

Dear Supervisors Carbajal, Wolf, Farr, Adam, and Lavagnino:

Please record my <u>opposition</u> to the fee to trust application by the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians. As a 26 year resident of the Valley there are numerous reasons for my stance, and I wish to communicate these to the Board in a timely and cogent fashion. As such, I also request that the Board <u>cancel or postpone</u> any discussion of the trust application until sufficient notice has been given and community input has been evaluated.

Sincerely-G. A. Dascanio Los Olivos

From:	Robin Deshayes <robin.deshayes@gmail.com></robin.deshayes@gmail.com>
Sent:	Wednesday, August 14, 2013 4:11 AM
To:	sbcob Comp 4 Approvation Must Re Opposed
Subject:	Camp 4 Annexation Must Be Opposed
1995. I currently live in Los O	I've had the privilege of living and working in Santa Barbara County since blivos.
expand their reservation footpri hold the Chumash accountable	erned, to being alarmed, about the Chumash efforts to annex property in order to int. I am concerned because annexation will take away the community's right to to the same land development rules as all of us.
annexation is completely without application.	his case and I believe that the Chumash position that the land qualifies for ut merit. Moreover, I believe the County should vigorously oppose the
annexation, because no one will BIA has no skin in the game an	hout opposition from the County and the community, the BIA may grant the l be there to present the history of the land in a factual and accurate way. The d the path of least resistance is to grant annexation.
some evaluation was made that a much more serious matter.	se the annexation petition for the 6.9 acres nearest the reservation. I assume that it was not worth the legal expense and time. However, Camp 4's annexation is
- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	ills, grazing cattle and ancient oaks, greet every visitor. It unfolds, as the As many times as I've made that drive, it does not fail to inspire me with its
look like if annexed and develo	otected from expanded development by the Valley Plan. Imagine what it would ped with NO COUNTY CONTROLS. A drive by the casino property, with its e in full view, should be a reminder.
> I thank the supervisors who refor a few tax dollars is counterp creeping urban blight caused by values and the community.	efused to bend when requested to develop this land. Exchanging our principles productive. In the long run, it's bad economics. One need only look at the the casino and its environs, as proof that not all development is helpful to land
make good on that promise. I re Valley is at stake. You must ha	y stated it will oppose future annexation. Supervisors, I am calling on you to ealize that this is a difficult situation, but nothing less than the future of the eye the courage to do what is right.
> Please support us by opposing	g the annexation of Camp 4.
> Though your	
> Thank you.	
> Robin Deshayes	

From: linleebaum@aol.com

Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2013 4:56 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Regarding Camp 4 from Lindalee and Eric Baumgarten

Dear Everyone,

I previously sent in a letter expressing our views regarding "Fee to Trust" Our feeling is that you do not change the rules mid-stream in sports, politics, etc etc... When all of us bought our homes, ranches, land in the Santa Ynez Valley it was very very very clear that our land was, in certain areas, zoned for agriculture... zoned for 100 acre parcels.... The people of the Santa Ynez Valley have adhered to the rules of our land. The Chumash Indian Tribe knew upon purchase of the land what the rules were...

The Indians could buy and sell most of us......

The Chumash Indian Tribe could afford to build and buy at least (3) THAT IS 3 HOTELS in Santa Ynez....they AFFORDED the building of a very LARGE GAS STATION..They bought the land from Fess Parker for MILLIONS of dollars... How many of you or any of us have that kind of money?? If they so desperately needed 150 homes for members of their tribe they could have bought homes anywhere in the Santa Ynez Valley for the money that they have spent to purchase land, hotels gas stations etc. etc....

NOW THEY ARE SAYING THEY NEED TO BUILD 150 HOMES ON LAND DESIGNATED FOR BUILDING A HOME PER 100 ACRES....

IF YOU GIVE THEM FEE TO TRUST.... THEN YOU SHOULD GIVE EVERYONE IN OUR VALLEY THE SAME.....

There are so many people of our Valley that go back many many generations.. They and their parents, grandparents, great grandparents.. have worked hard to buy land (according to the laws set forth),, In other words they played by the rules and have not tried to screw up our lands....

The Indians can afford to buy as many homes as they want and more.... They along with the rest of us should go abide by the laws set forth ....The Indians, as I said before, could by and sell most of you and most us....They will never never never ever be poor or even close to it.

We should all stand side by side to make our land the beautiful place it has been..the people of the Santa Ynez Valley have spent MILLIONS of dollars on fighting to keep our land free... That money could have gone to charity... it could have gone to their own families... and they have had to spend it on fighting to keep our lands free from cluttering the land with buildings that will make a BIG mess .

.... TAKE A LOOK AT SANTA MARIA... LOMPOC...YOU DRIVE INTO THOSE CITIES... AND WHAT DO YOU SEE? INDUSTRY..LOTS AND LOTS OF HOUSES....
BUILDING OF FREEWAYS AND BYWAYS...

THE BEAUTY OF THEIR LAND IS GONE .....

AND, ONE MORE STATEMENT...... THE TRAFFIC ON 154 IS FAST.. A LOT OF IT... NOT ENOUGH STOP LIGHTS.. 154 IS A DANGEROUS HWY....IF MORE AND MORE HOMES ARE BUILT IN AND AROUND THE 154 AREA...OUR ANIMALS WILL BE PUT INTO DANGER.. OUR WATER WILL BE USED UP THE LIGHTS WILL CLUTTER OUR SKY...

The point of this is..... The Chumash Indian Tribe is RICH... They are very VERY RICH.... Just like my generation and the generations before ... we work hard now and worked hard for over a 100 years to afford our homes and our land..

DO NOT RUIN THIS FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR LAND.. If they donate money for your political campaigns to do give them "Fee To Trust" Shame Shame on you.

From: Suzanne Voss <suzanne@vossemail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2013 5:27 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Camp 4 Fee to Trust

## Dear Supervisors,

I am opposed to the transfer of Camp 4 from County jurisdiction. Please do anything you possibly can to help avoid this process going forward with the Camp 4 property. Thank you,

**Suzanne Voss** 

From: Richard Layman <cowboycolonel@wildblue.net>

**Sent:** Wednesday, August 14, 2013 7:07 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Chumash Attempt Fee to Trust

## Dear Supervisors,

I add my voice and opinion to those citizens who oppose your entering into negotiations with the local band of Chumash regarding fee to trust considerations. Although I am not a lawyer, it is apparent to me that any such negotiations fall outside the scope of your responsibility and authority and are, therefore, at minimum, a waste of time and resources.

Richard L. Layman Ballard Canyon Road, Solvang, Ca Sent from my iPad

From: Leigh Layman <leighlee@wildblue.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2013 7:15 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Camp 4 - fee to Trust

#### Dear Supervisors:

Please do not enter into negotiations with the local band of Chumash regarding fee to trust. The annexing of whats known as the camp 4 land should be kept on the county tax rolls. To reduce the tax base of our county would negatively impact us all.

Thank you for your consideration.

Leigh Layman 1020 Ballard Canyon Rd. Solvang, Ca

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Gerry Shepherd <shepherd@west.net> **Sent:** Wednesday, August 14, 2013 7:18 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** August 20 BOS Meeting - Oppose Dialogue with Tribe

Please add this email to the BOS packet for the upcoming August 20 meeting.

Dear Board of Supervisors:

I add my voice and vote in requesting that the Board of Supervisors *not* enter into any dialogue with the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash, particularly in regard to any proposed cooperative agreement or property annexation.

G. B. Shepherd POBox 30 Santa Ynez, CA 93460

Gerry Shepherd shepherd@west.net

805-688-3120

From: Virginia Cooper <art.adventures@hotmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2013 8:22 AM

**To:** SupervisorCarbajal; Janet Wolf; Farr, Doreen; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve; sbcob

**Subject:** Board of Supervisors Meeting Aug 20, 2013

#### Dear Supervisors,

I hereby request that the meeting with the Chumash Band of Indians and the BOS, scheduled for August 20, 2013, be postponed or cancelled entirely. The recently called meeting does not give time for the Board of Supervisors to fully investigate the law as it pertains to the issue of government to government status for the Chumash.

The Board of Supervisors may be opening a "Pandora's Box" by acknowledging that the Chumash have a right to this type of meeting when the law states that they do not. Please consider all of the ramifications of proceeding with this meeting.

Attached, is a letter I sent to Supervisor Carbajal, yesterday, that I request be read and filed with all correspondence regarding this issue.

Yours truly, Virginia Cooper Santa Ynez, California

#### ATTACHMENT:

Dear Supervisor Carbajal:

I have read the letters from Vincent Armenta and from you regarding the establishment of government to government status between the BOS and the Chumash Tribe of Indians. My understanding is that this kind of dialogue between Indian governments and U.S. government offices may only take place regarding existing tribal reservation land. Camp 4 is legally owned by the Chumash Tribe but is not reservation land and is, therefore, subject to the laws, regulations and taxes that we non-tribal landowners are required to adhere to. Thus, a government to government agreement is illegal regarding this Camp 4 property. Even if Camp 4 was not a part of the agreement, it would become a petition once the government to government status was established.

I find it outrageous that our government entities are trying to circumvent our laws by making decisions outside of them. I urge you to drop this idea and inform the Chumash Tribe that we are a government of laws and that Mr. Armenta's request is not going to be considered as even possible. I understand that this will in no way stop Mr. Armenta from trying other avenues to get what he wants but we citizens expect our government to stand strong behind our long established laws that represent all the people, including the Chumash.

Yours truly,
Virginia Cooper
Santa Ynez, California

From: John Jones <faithvineyard@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2013 8:26 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** "Negotiations"

## Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

I am opposed to the transfer of Camp 4 from County jurisdiction. To that end, it is not appropriate for our County government to facilitate in any way the transfer process, rather, County government should be doing anything possible to keep the Camp 4 property under County jurisdiction. Engaging in government to government discussions with the current owners only would serve to enhance the Chumash tribe's position for their fee to trust proposal.

Sincerely,

John Jones, Los Olivos

From: Ginny Burroughs <gindog562000@yahoo.com>

Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2013 9:36 AM

**To:** SupervisorCarbajal

**Cc:** sbcob; Wolf, Janet; Adam, Peter; Farr, Doreen; Lavagnino, Steve

**Subject:** Request for postponement of August 20th Meeting

# Dear Supervisor Carbajal,

A meeting on August 20th of the Board of Supervisors has an agenda with an item regarding the Santa Ynez Band of Mission Chumash Indians and dialogue regarding government to government discussions. I am requesting that you cancel, or at the least postpone/continue this meeting. Special preference dialogue with the Santa Ynez Band regarding fee owned property violates equal protection of all other landowners.

Our County Counsel must be in a position to ensure equal protection for all citizens, and to ensure the Board's well meaning intentions of dialogue may not be used against them. As research has uncovered, the Santa Ynez Band is an entity that opens the door as a constituent and then acts as a government entitled to federal rights. For them to gain federal rights means they have to take away the rights of others that should be protected by the State and County: property rights, civil rights, process rights, water rights - all rights - creating preferences that violate equal protection and elevating them above all of the rules that everyone else has to obey.

Sincerely, Ginny Burroughs

From: Dominique Lacerte <dominique.lacerte@gotoadvantage.com>

Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2013 10:17 AM

**To:** SupervisorCarbajal

**Cc:** sbcob

**Subject:** OPPOSED to annexation of Camp 4 and OPPOSED to any negotiations between the

BOS and the tribe regarding Camp 4

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I am writing this letter to OPPOSE two items:

1) Annexation of Camp 4 to the Chumash Reservation

2) Negotiations between the BOS and the tribe regarding Camp 4

Thank you,

Dominique Lacerte Santa Ynez (805) 691-1662

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:	drew <drewpier@gmail.com> Wednesday, August 14, 2013 10:25 AM SupervisorCarbajal sbcob OPPOSED to annexation of Camp 4 and OPPOSED to any negotiations between the BOS and the tribe regarding Camp 4</drewpier@gmail.com>	
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Thank you,		
Andrew Pierog Santa Ynez (805) 252-5631		

From: Dennis Jorgensen <TDennisJ@Hwy246.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2013 10:54 AM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Annexation of Camp 4 Property

#### Dear Board of Supervisors:

As long time resident of Santa Ynez, I urge the Board of Supervisors to NOT enter into "government-to-government" discussions with the Chumash tribe regarding the fee-to-trust annexation of the Camp 4 property into the tribe property. The Chumash tribe has every right to develop the property as private owners, whereby, they must adhere to the County planning & development guidelines and codes, adhere to existing subdivision regulations which limit subdividing to a minimum100-acre parcels and continue to pay the appropriate property taxes, all of which economically benefit the residents of Santa Barbara County and protect the agricultural beauty of the Santa Ynez Valley.

Sincerely, Dennis Jorgensen

From my iPad

From: Fred Steck <Fred@SteckAssociatesLLC.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2013 12:07 PM

To: SupervisorCarbajal; Wolf, Janet; Farr, Doreen; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve

Cc: sbcob

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Fredric E. Steck Santa Ynez (805) 448.1702

From: Larry and Linda <LandL1@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 12:46 PM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** Camp 4

**Categories:** Complete (Docketed & Attached)

August 12, 2013

Honorable Salud Carbajal, Chairman

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

105 E. Anapamu Street

Santa Barbara, CA

93101

Dear Supervisor Carbajal,

I write to state that I oppose the proposal of the SantaYnez Band of Chumash Indians to start a government-to-government dialogue between the County of Santa Barbara and the SYBCI regarding the Camp 4 property.

The 1400 acres should be treated like any other privately owned land.

This particular parcel of land is a critical part of the Santa Ynez rural community and life style. It is currently zoned AG-II-100 which means that it is agricultural land with a minimum parcel size of 100 acres. Also it is subject to multi-year Agricultural Preserve contracts which limit the use of the property to agricultural uses. The SY Band must comply with these land use rules. I believe it would require a General Plan Amendment to allow a different use.

Mr. Armenta's and the SY Band's request for "government-to-government" preference and special treatment with respect to the future development of this privately owned land is inappropriate and should be rejected. To discriminate in favor of Mr.

Armenta or the Santa Ynez Band would violate the due process and equal protection constitutional rights of every other individual and property owner in the community. I strongly urge the County to reject this proposal.

Sincerely,

From: Teri Harmon <teri.harmon@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 12:50 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** This whole fee to trust thing with the Chumash is not wanted in the Santa Ynez Valley

Categories: Complete (Docketed & Attached)

#### Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

You know as well as me that you are not in a position to subvert the law. It is well known that you do not possess the authority to grant "fee to trust" transfers and that the intent of the trial leadership in initiating a supposed "government to government" dialogue regarding Camp 4 is solely to facilitate a legislative process for placing the Camp 4 property in trust. This in unacceptable to me and many other groups of concerned citizens of the Santa Ynez Valley and for many years we have voiced our concers about this very issue. Please remember....

- 1. Legally, a tribe has 'government to government' status only when dealing with tribal properties, ie a reservation, an annexed property. Camp 4 *is not* tribal property. It is privately owned (by the Chumash tribe) land, just as our home properties are privately owned by us. The tribe does not have a legal base for requesting a 'government to government' discussion with the county on this privately owned land.
- 2. To be able to annex (remove from county jurisdiction and become tribal property) Camp 4 through a "legislative (in Washington DC) procedure" (which the Chumash have been attempting for some time now), the Chumash tribe *must* be able to show they have local governmental support for this annexation. To date, all local governmental bodies (city councils, county groups) that have been approached by the Chumash have refused to support the annexation. We are told that if the BOS agrees to dialogue with the Chumash a congressman stands ready to submit legislative proceedings for annexation of Camp 4.

I am opposed to the transfer of Camp 4 from County jurisdiction – there is no compelling reason whatsoever for you (our County Board of Supervisors) to relinquish its property and tax base especially during these difficult financial times. Is the County so flush with excess/surplus cash that you feel this is in the County's' best financial interest to consider? I think not!

Please remember you are representing all of us and not just a few.

Teri Harmon P.O. Box 1800 Santa Ynez, CA 93460 805-688-1334 805-693-8842 fax

Lawrence Nicklin

From: Sent: To: Subject:	Lawrence Nicklin <larrynicklin@gmail.com> Monday, August 12, 2013 12:50 PM sbcob Fwd: Camp 4</larrynicklin@gmail.com>	
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August 12, 2013		
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Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors		
105 E. Anapamu Street		
Santa Barbara, CA		
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Sincerely,		

From: Lola Fikes <lolafikes@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 1:14 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Camp 4 property & BOS Aug. 20th mtg.

Categories: Complete (Docketed & Attached)

To the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

As a homeowner in the SY Valley since 1976, <u>I am requesting that you as a body do NOT enter into dialogue with the Indian Tribe re: the Camp 4 property</u> as I do not wish to see that property developed in any way by the tribe.

Lola Fikes

From: Katie Karas <ktkaras@lightspeed.net>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 1:17 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Oppose Chumash Camp 4

Categories: Complete (Docketed & Attached)

#### **Dear Supervisors:**

I oppose the Chumash Indian Tribe's attempt to annex Camp 4. Santa Ynez is a beautiful, rural, historic community that would be greatly compromised should this be developed. The potential over-crowding and change in nature of the community will compromise the culture that has kept the community unique and cherished by the central coast.

Thank you.

Katie Karas 4500 Via Rancheros Rd Santa Ynez, CA 93460

From: Stacey Rydell <stacey.rydell@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2013 1:22 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** No to Annexation of Camp 4

Categories: Complete (Docketed & Attached)

No to Annexation of Camp 4

From: Bob Fikes <br/>
Sent: Bob Fikes @me.com>
Monday, August 12, 2013 1:26 PM

To: sbcob

**Subject:** Camp 4 property & BOS Aug. 20th mtg.

To the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

As a property owner since 1976, and developer of 3 other parcels which generate revenues to manage our county assets, I DO NOT WANT THE BOS TO MEET WITH THE "INDIAN TRIBE" ON AUGUST 20TH!

Bob Fikes 1525 Jennilsa Lane Solvang

Sent from my iPad

From: Carol Herrera <vvcarol@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 9:27 AM

To: sbcob
Cc: Farr, Doreen

**Subject:** to: County Clerk to be submitted into record.

August 12, 2013

To: Supervisor Salud Carbajal

RE: AUGUST 20, 2013 scheduled hearing-government to government dialogue on tribal development of Camp4

Dear Supervisor Carbajal:

We are residents and property owners of a five acre horse property for the past 22 years in the Santa Ynez Valley. Our home is located 1.5 miles from the Chumash Casino and 2.0 miles from the 1,400 acres known as Camp4 owned by the Tribe. We and all of our 56 neighbors in Meadowlark Ranches are extremely concerned about the publicly stated goal of the Tribe to place the Camp4 property into federal trust.

It is imperative that the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County demonstrate strong support for the constituents of the valley by refusing to enter into any type of government to government discussion or dialogue regarding the development of Camp4. This property was purchased at a price of 40 million; this investment clearly alerting County officials since April 2010 that these 1,400 acres are blueprinted for large scale commercial development through the federal tool of fee to trust. The request made by the Tribe for dialogue is asking the County of Santa Barbara to start a discussion of "how these agriculturally zoned lands can avoid the Valley Community Plan". This is not only our Valley Plan governing land use and water conservation, it is your Plan as well. The Board of Supervisors should be alarmed at what is being requested, if not alerted to the legal entanglements that it might bring to S.B. County with the Santa Ynez Valley citizen groups. These groups are now allied in a common purpose and have made their wishes know to Supervisor Farr.

In listening to our neighbors and their concerns for the future of the valley, we are all perplexed and mystified as to why Supervisor Farr is ignored by some of her fellow board members regarding her clearly stated positions for her District on this matter.

The community of the Santa Ynez Valley is awaiting the Board of Supervisors responsible decision to support Supervisor Farr and her constituents.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Herrera Arnold Herrera

3900 Skylark Road Santa Ynez, CA 93460 805-680-2225

From: kay@richmondproductions.com on behalf of Kay Richmond

<kay@ourworldofoceans.org>

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 13, 2013 9:37 AM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** Camp 4

August 12, 2013

Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors, Supervisor Doreen Farr Supervisor Janet Wolf Supervisor Peter Adam Supervisor Steve Lavagnino Congresswoman Lois Capps

I am a tax paying resident of Solvang, California. You are my representatives. I would like you to take my opinion into consideration regarding the upcoming meeting with the Chumash Tribe regarding their Camp 4 property.

Years and countless hours have gone into the development of the General Plan for the Santa Ynez Valley. It is designed for the welfare of all of the residents, current and future. Please do not throw that work out. I oppose the County Board of Supervisors meeting with the Chumash Tribe on a government to government basis to discuss Camp 4. Camp 4 is privately owned by the Chumash Tribe and should stay under the jurisdiction of the laws and taxation that the rest of the residents of the Santa Ynez Valley are governed by.

Thank you for representing my concerns.

Kathryn Richmond Solvang, CA

From: RHart50538@aol.com

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 13, 2013 10:25 AM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** (no subject)

Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors;

Please do not allow the Chumash Tribe annexation of the Camp 4 property, it will only be the beginning of them controlling the entire Santa Ynez Valley TAX FREE!!!

Thank You

Ron Hart 1490 Dove Meadow rd Solvang Ca 93463

From: Walter Alves <waltkayalves@verizon.net>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 10:35 AM

**To:** sbcob **Subject:** Camp 4

Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

I want to let you know my feelings on the Chumash tribe's attempt to have the property that they have purchased from the Parker family, known as

Camp 4, put in to "fee to trust". I am PROFOUNDLY OPPOSED to the "fee to trust" for this property for several reasons, some of which I will list here. First of all, it is not located near their existing Reservation. If they are in need of more housing, they own the land and should be able to build houses on it, but they should have to go through the exact same process as all of the rest of us who purchase land, with plans to build a home on our land. Secondly, It is an enormous chunk of land to take from the County of Santa Barbara jurisdiction and tax base. I am aware that the Camp 4 land is in an Ag Preserve, which is a contractual restriction of permitted uses. If Camp 4 is put in to "fee to trust", NO ONE person or body would have any say whatsoever on what is done with that land, which is an important "gateway" in to the Santa Ynez Valley, and the Chumash tribe would be able to put anything that they desire on the land, which could drastically alter the rural beauty of this beautiful Valley forever. Thirdly, the Chumash have not been successful in getting other government bodies to support the annexation of Camp 4 to their Reservation. I believe that if you agree to a "government to government" dialogue with the Chumash regarding Camp 4, they will use that to have the property removed from County jurisdiction by Federal "legislative procedure", which they have attempted for some time. They must be able to show that they have local government support for this annexation. This is something that I am completely opposed to.

Please remember that you represent ALL of the people of Santa Barbara County.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kay F Alves 1235 Calzada Avenue Santa Ynez, CA 93460 805-688-4305

From: LGF gmail com>
Sent: LGF gmail com>
Tuesday, August 13, 2013 10:51 AM

To: SupervisorCarbajal; Valencia Sherratt, Lisa; Tittle, Jeremy; Friedman, Eric; Farr, Doreen;

Wolf, Janet; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve; sbcob; CAO email

**Subject:** CAMP 4 | THE NEEDS OF THE MANY OUTWEIGH THE NEEDS OF THE FEW

13 August 2013

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101

re: Camp 4 | Fee-To-Trust Annexation Discussions

Dear Mr. Chairman and Supervisors,

I am vehemently opposed to any negotiation or discussion between the Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors and the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians concerning fee-to-trust land annexation or any development of the 1,400-acres known as Camp 4.

Camp 4 land is presently in protective contract through the California Department of Food & Agriculture - resulting in the California Land Conservation Act, more popularly known as the Williamson Act and subsequent Super Williamson Act. By State law this land has <u>protected</u> the Public Trust from untold boom and bust developers. Beyond, this legal protection is put into automatic extension every 10 years. Over the past decade, the State of California has worked dutifully on behalf of its taxpaying citizenry to strengthen this law as countless real estate developers (including Fess Parker) and now the deep pocketed Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians exert tireless, voracious and unprecedented political and financial pressure upon local governments and their leaders to alter the law and transform it into Fee To Trust - making it not simply tax exempt from the public tax base but exempt from restriction of any kind. Under such noholes barred Fee-To-Trust conditions:

- no building construct is too high
- no quantity of development too much
- no parking lot, hotel, golf course, bar, gambling casino or dance establishment too big
- no neon light too bright
- no cost too great
- no public plunder too extreme

One need look no further than Foxwoods CT and the Mashantucket Pequot Indian Reservation to see such grossly disproportionate establishments. The Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians indeed espouse their desire to annex 7000 square miles of "tribal" California land - though the 1934 Indian Reorganization Act requires them to have been recognized prior to this date. The Santa Ynez Band of Chumash were not recognized by the US Government until the mid 1970's.

Unprotected, Camp 4's virgin 1400 acres would be subject to unrestricted development - transforming open wilderness into California's newest San Fernando Valley - an urban sprawl without limitation. Only such Developers' and Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians find this beneficial to the public good. What a travesty ... and in the honorable name of good stewardship of native land.

By public voice and years of input the future development of Camp 4 has been unambiguously settled in the Santa Ynez Valley Community Plan, the one and ONLY official county government-sanctioned blueprint for development in the Santa Ynez Valley. It is the ONLY document which reflects the inputs, objectives and desires of all Santa Ynez Valley residents, businesses, government ... including Taxpayers.

The Chumash Band of Indians are a private landowner as it relates to Camp 4. There is no tribal government status or element of sovereignty on this property. By electing to engage in a government-to-government dialog, the Board of Supervisors illegally infers governmental authority to the tribe. The board does not possess the authority to grant or recommend fee-to-trust transfer. The intent of tribal leadership in initiating a supposed government-to-government dialog regarding Camp 4 is to facilitate a legislative process for placing the Camp 4 property in trust. This is unacceptable to the broader community in its entirety as voiced vociferously and continuously over the past decade - despite the tribal leadership's concerted effort to quell that majority voice as minor and meaningless.

In the strongest voice possible I both urge and implore the Board of Supervisors to unequivocally oppose or recommend this desired transfer travesty of Camp 4 from county jurisdiction into the hands of a small tribe. Fee-to-Trust/Annexation of the Camp 4 property would create of major loss of local control and adverse economic and environmental impacts. Good governance relies upon local government and elected officials, adopted policy and comprehensive planning, to balance the needs of the community and plan for the future. The needs of the Many - outweigh the needs of the Few.

The community in its entirety relies upon tax revenues and impact fees to provide essential services and infrastructure. Unfunded tax subsidies and exemptions threaten the County's ability to balance its budget and serve all its residents. Good governance demands that future development of the Camp 4 property be subject to County government elected for and by ALL the citizens of Santa Barbara County.

LG Friedman Taxpayer, Santa Ynez, CA

From: LINDA KASTNER < lkast6945@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, August 09, 2013 2:31 PM

To: SupervisorCarbajal; Farr, Doreen; Wolf, Janet; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve

**Cc:** sbcob

**Subject:** August 20 meeting

Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

I understand you were contemplating a discussion regarding the possibility of having a government to government meeting with the Santa Ynez Band of Mission Indians (Chumash).

As we have all been informed today, the Tribe has taken the steps to put 1400 acres of land in trust to the BIA. They have also initiated steps to remove this land from the Williamson Act, a contract, as you know, would keep this land in agriculture.

This action buy the Tribe shows how much they care about the County and its constituents. NOT AT ALL. Fee

I find it interesting that all the land and business purchases made by the Tribe in Solvang, Buellton and Santa Ynez have never come up for trust status and never brought to your panel for any discussion as they are fee recorded as these 1400 acres are owned by the Tribe are and must stay that way.

If this ever comes to discussion there are many many issues to be addressed but for now, you must not agree to sit down as Government to Government.

The BIA will give us all a chance to present our views.

Thank you so much for your time..

Linda and Sid Kastner 6945 Happy Canyon Santa Ynez Ca 93460

Linda Kastner