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Chelsea: Sorry this a little late..please include if possible. Thanks, Art

02/06/2014

TO: SANTA BARBARA CO. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

FROM: ART HIBBITS for HIBBITS RANCH CO. LLC

1251 E. HIGHWAY 246, LOMPOC, CALIF.

**IDENTIFICATION: 12NGD-00000-00024, 11CUP-00000-00032, and
11RZN-00000-00003**

**BACKGROUND: These applications are to abate multiple, long standing,
unpermitted, commercial recreational uses on APN (s) 099-141-016 and 017.**

**Since the Planning Commission meeting on this manner, Bob Campbell, Ed
Wineman, and I have spent considerable time talking to others involved in
Agriculture. We submitted a number of petitions signed by mostly people involved
in Ag both from Santa Maria and Lompoc Valleys.**

**Without exception the conflicts this project causes for the surrounding Ag, was
agreed upon.**

**As to the issue of growers protecting their crops: If you put hundreds of people
right next to a legal spray application, the fear is predictable. You have the driver
suited up, wearing Personal Protective Equipment such googles, respirator, gloves,
etc. as required by the product label...and you probably will cause a major panic
attack and calls to the Ag Commissioners.**

**The cost of the required investigation, collection of samples, and so on, is costly and
time-consuming to the County and the application may not be completed in a timely
manner.**

**In the case of this Applicant, several complaints have been filed again the neighbors
to the Northwest. In each case there were no violations found. This information is
contained in your Board packet.**

**Another key issue is that in the sixties the City acquired a State Grant to buy the
Valla Property, for the expressed purpose of creating a GREENBELT BUFFER
between Ag and the City. This proposal would effectively violate that project and
jump the natural buffer of the Santa Ynez River, as well.**

Please DENY this inappropriate use of good ag land.

Thank you, Art Hibbits

