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March 10, 2003

Mr. Thom McCue Monterey County Planning and Building Inspection 2620 First Avenue Marina, CA 93933

Subject: Del Monte Forest Preservation and Development Plan

Dear Mr. McCue,

For your records and consideration, we would like to voice our concerns about the Del Monte Forest Preservation and Development Plan as it relates to our home on Navajo Road. We purchased this property in 1997 because of its natural beauty (the lovely view of the forest), privacy and tranquility. These factors appear to be in serious jeopardy if the DMF/PDP is approved. Following are our major points of concern regarding the project as well as "suggested" remedies to these issues.

The road or driveway leading into the teaching facility is proposed to run along the side of our property. The materials marking the parking lot and teaching facility are situated in close proximity to the borders of our back yard. They are clearly visible from our living room, family room, office, master bedroom and backyard living area. Obviously the teaching facility and parking lot will be as visible if not more so. We are additionally quite concerned about the noise and traffic as the entrance to the facility, as mentioned above, is in very close proximity to the side of our home and side and back yards. These issues, should the project be approved, could be mitigated to some degree by (1) moving the driving range and teaching facility fifty yards further west (toward Spanish Bay) and (2) heavily landscaping the area surrounding the entryway and parking lot with enough foliage to block the sight (including windshield glare) and sound of automobiles.

There is no doubt a great deal of wildlife currently residing in the area that is about to be developed. We have concerns about the effect of the disturbance of the wildlife on the homes in the surrounding area. Clearly the wildlife will be forced to relocate, posing an increased health hazard to our household pets as well as further destruction of our landscaping. We have made a concentrated effort to minimize the number of raccoons and deer in our yard and to begin to repair the damage that has been done. It is quite unpleasant to realize that the problem will very possibly soon be worse than it has ever been.

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Finally, the potential for noise from the driving range and for lighting at night are of concern to us. A simply remedy would be to permanently forbid both lighting and public address systems at the driving range and parking lot.

We appreciate your consideration of our concerns and welcome any contact from you regarding this letter. Please feel free to contact us at home 641-9321 or office 375-7811 (Patty), 620-6969 (Dave).

Sincerely,

Dave and Patty Parker

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