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Monterey County Planning Department
Attention Thom McCue, Senior Planner
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RE: Pebble Beach Company's Del Monte Forest Preservation and Development Plan

Dear Mr. McCue,

I am a resident of Del Monte Park and I have lived here for the past 19 years, 30 years in this area. My wife and Daughter (3 years old) own our home on Miles Av. We have enjoyed this area specially when we visit our Grandparent's home (1040 Majella Rd in P.B.) a walking distance through the forest of which no longer exist because of the new houses that has being built on this site.

My Grandfather purchased his home in 1971 and this was before the Spanish Bay Hotel and golf course had been built. The traffic of cars has escalated tremendously after the construction of the Spanish Bay Hotel, on 17 Miles Drive, Congress road, and especially the section of Congress road between SFB Morse Dr. and 17 Miles Drive. We no longer walk to the beach, especially in the summer because of the excessive amount of car traffic in the area.

My brother's and I attended the Forest Grove Elementary and the 4 of us have all graduated from Pacific Grove High School. We have all walked to and from school for many years. We crossed the forest where there are many beautiful, very large oak trees and also the wild animal that I have seen in that forest, foxes, rabbits, squirrels, deer the birds especially the woodpeckers and I am very opposed to Pebble Beach Co. plan to build a golf course/driving range to displace these wild life from their natural fauna. This area is the last and only significant green belt between Pebble Beach and Pacific Grove. Where are the wild life from this area will live? In Pacific Grove neighbors yards?

I would like to ask you to reconsider the building of the equestrian stables on Sawmill Gulch, because my home is only 1/2 of a mile from the plan site, and the health impact to us. The hay allergy that triggers my wife's asthma, also the stench from animal waste that will be generated on the site. My street is on a direct the wind path from Sawmill Gulch, the air will come through Del Monte Park neighborhood fingering through Miles Av.

From the time that Pebble Beach Co. have begun the building up in this past 30 year's the tremendous negative impact that have caused to the natural habitat for the local wild animals and car traffic have never been remedied. The problem with raccoons in Carmel and Pacific Grove, which led to the slaughter of the animals, was a direct impact of the displacement from their natural habitat. The constant deer's that roams in the backyards in Pacific Grove (of which I have called the animal rescue many of times, and twice almost ran over by a deer on my own driveway at night). And secondly the traffic of Cars has increased especially that Pacific Grove has only 2 outlet from the Peninsula (Hwy 68 and Lighthouse Av.) to an unacceptable proportions on Highway 68, on the Sunset drive, Forest Av. and Congress, the Special Events that Pebble Beach hold through out the year has crippled our normal daily traffic flow.

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The daily traffic congestion of cars in and out of the Monterey Peninsula is already visible in the mornings and afternoons, without adding the special events.

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Our water shortage is one other major concerns of my, because, just this year we were ask to conserve more water I would like to ask, You Mr. McCue and the Planning Board, if this is not a primary concern to you, because this water shortage has been a problem for more than 20 years and no solution has ever been achieved. Are the guests of the new development going to use recycled water to drink or shower? Are we the local residents conserving the water for the guests, as new developments are approved? The negative impact to the community is very obvious or to who's benefit are these project intended? Do the People who plan the development will live on their planned site? If not, Why not? The local wild life has no streams or ponds to drink from, that is why I have deer and raccoons in my yard.

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The building in the forest has not addressed these problems that neighboring communities have to live with it.

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I would like to invite you Mr. McCue for a personal guided visit to the sites that I have mentioned in this letter.

Thank you for your considcration.

Sincerely,


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Cc: Monterey County Planning Commission
Dave Potter, 5th District Supervisor
Jim Costello, Mayor of Pacific Grove
Concerned Residents of Pebble Beach
California Coastal Commission