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## Comment On Wonder Inn IS/MSD

To: Azhar Khan, Planner, County of San Bernardino (via email)

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Hello, as a resident and business owner on the Eastern edge of the town of 29 Palms I am asking for a complete EIR that adequately addresses the impact of a large-scale resort, restaurant, and event space within a small residential community.

The current IS/MND did not address my concerns regarding Noise and the impact of a fully booked hotel with events happening on site in addition to adventure activities booked through the hotel (ATV rides, hot air balloons, off-roading, etc) on the surrounding residents within eyesight and earshot. Currently, we are able to hear noise from the local shooting range that is 5 miles from our home and NOT within eyesight. We actually have 2 hill ranges between our home and the shooting range, but are still able to hear the range loudly on many days throughout the year. The proposed Wonder Inn project is within 4.5 miles AND is visible from our home. Therefore the chance of very audible sound from a proposed large-scale hotel with events and vehicle traffic is highly likely, but not fully addressed in the current study.

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projects.

As a community member and business owner in Twentynine Palms overlooking the expanse of Wonder Valley and the proposed Wonder Inn project I ask that a full, extensive Environmental Impact Report be prioritized.

Thank you for your consideration and listening to my concerns.

Britt Nelson

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Please read it. It was published 1/31/23.

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I am a long time resident of Wonder Valley. When I heard of this project I was immediately struck by the sheer size and scope of the plan. I see that the proper studies have not been fully completed. The initial study is incomplete and biased. No Environmental Impact Study has been done or revealed. Also I believe an EAR study must be done as well, although I might be mistaken or have the wrong initials. I do know that a project of this size will not only disrupt the ecology, and infrastructure of the surrounding area, but it will have grave consequences for the immediate surrounding residents.

\*dust from construction and additional traffic (not only from construction but having additional traffic for food/maintenance services, guests and ride services).

\*I know there are concerns for desert tortoise and other desert animals and the destruction of their habitat.

\*As an older resident with asthma, I really am concerned with air quality - and I also value the peace and darkness- all will be affected.

\*I don't know how it can be measured but I would like to see a study done on how a massive project like this affects, or strains resources- such as the aquifer - I read that the property only has 2 wells- that doesn't sound legal for use for that many "guests" - that's just one example- what about emergency, fire and police strain as well?

Bottom line I don't really understand how someone can just purchase a few large plots and simply combine them and create a massive resort - it doesn't seem legal?!

The planning commission better show more studies and be more forthcoming about how a project like this could even be allowed or show the real impacts it will have on the community at large!

I am extremely concerned and don't want Wonder Valley to become the next JT- just another Airbnb / resort community with zero affordable housing for the actual residents and people that grew up here or have lived here quite a while- where are our rights? Where is the spirit of community? Please consider doing more thorough studies and being transparent on how a project like this is allowed to keep moving. I see very little oversight and hope that more people come forward to fight this, or push the project to do the right things the right way and mitigate the harm it will definitely create.

Thank you for your time and consideration,  
Danny

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The traffic, the noise, and the environmental degradation will destroy what makes Wonder Valley the wonder that it is for those of us that love the desert and it's beauty.

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Thank you,  
Caroline

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THEM OUT! WCW**

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As an artist and fulltime resident of SBC who cherishes wonder valley for its solitude, beauty, and place to paint and reflect — this development will not benefit anyone and only destroy our most precious desert. Please ensure a proper EIR is done before anything moves forward. Once destroyed, it's gone forever.

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I firmly believe humanity will survive should this project be rejected. It certainly isn't needed.

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Dear Azhar, Dawn, Michael and Steve,

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People over profits. Have you ever seen the movie, "It's a Wonderful Life"? It is about small town life, and being grateful. You get to see what the town would be like if the rich, land-barron takes over. The little town is renamed Pottersville, after the callus profiteer. If Wonder Inn is approved, we can never go back. We will have crossed our Rubicon. Development after development will erode the desert. Please, please don't let this happen.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

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## Comment On Wonder Inn IS/MSD

To: Azhar Khan, Planner, County of San Bernardino (via email)

cc: Dawn Rowe, Supervisor 3rd District  
Michael Stoffel, Planning Commission 3rd District  
Steve Reyes, Field Representative 3rd District

Re: Wonder Inn Hotel/Resort (Twentynine Palms), PROJ-2021-00163

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration ("IS/MND") for the proposed Wonder Inn Hotel/Resort ("Project").

Review of the IS/MND reveals numerous deficiencies, indicating further study is needed to adequately evaluate potential significant impacts on the Wonder Valley community, environment, and resources. Substantial evidence demonstrates that impacts from the Project are individually and cumulatively significant. Accordingly, the County must prepare a complete, certified Environmental Impact Report (EIR) addressing these impacts, in full compliance with CEQA, before it can approve the Project.

The following concerns, among others, have been either not addressed or not adequately addressed in the IS/MND:

- **Aesthetics:** Significant impacts on scenic vistas; numerous new sources of lighting cumulatively significantly impacting Dark Night Skies, a community designated valued asset.
- **Air Quality:** Significant increase in traffic-related air pollution, including PM10 and PM2.5 related to traffic on dirt roads, not fully analyzed.
- **Biological Resources:** Serious issues with extremely opposing data and the lack of a valid focused survey of the threatened desert tortoise.
- **Cultural Resources:** Failure to properly evaluate property and district historical resources.
- **Energy:** Failure to adequately evaluate potential for overload of already strained power grid.
- **Geology/Soils:** Assessment needed of potential for damage from near-by active East and West Valley Faults and disturbance of trace faults extending from these Faults and the impact of soil erosion from the clearing of 24 acres of the native creosote galleta plant.
- **Greenhouse Gas Emissions:** No solar power included in project plans.
- **Hazards and Hazardous Materials:** Inadequate evaluation

of potential soil contamination with PCBs and mining waste products, and of potential for asbestos and lead in pre-1970 building.

- **Hydrology/Water Quality:** Unsupported claims of potability of water, potential pollution of groundwater supplies from contaminated soils, insufficient assessment of water table and projected water use, compliance with regulations on hauled water, well improvement permits, and Drought Emergency Proclamations; and appropriateness of transient non-community water system classification.
- **Land Use/Planning:** Failure to adequately evaluate Project's use of land in accordance with the Principles and requirements of the San Bernardino Countywide Plan, the Wonder Valley Community Action Guide, and CEQA.
- **Noise:** Failure to fully evaluate noise impacts from special events, from increased traffic including off-road vehicle use, and from increased air traffic. Inadequate noise study.
- **Public Services:** Inadequate evaluation of increased burden on already insufficient services including Fire, Paramedic and Sheriff, with potential increased demand of roughly 20%.
- **Recreation:** No assessment of potential impacts on multiple nearby regional recreational areas with increased visitorship from guests.
- **Transportation:** Failure to fully evaluate increased traffic including from special events, impacts from advertised off-highway vehicle tours and guest "exploration" of neighborhood, impacts to Gammel Road between Amboy Road and Highway 62, hazardous road condition created by rise on Amboy Road in front of property, and inadequate details on road modifications.

A complete well-prepared EIR is required to fully address these significant concerns. (Note, there are additional issues not listed here that also deserve complete study.) Short of preparation of this requested EIR, it is impossible to fully weigh the potential impacts to the region.

Therefore, I request that the Mitigated Negative Declaration for PROJ-2021-00163 be rejected as inadequate to address the concerns above and that a thorough and complete, certified Environmental Impact Report per the requirements of CEQA to fully address significant adverse environmental impacts be performed.

Thank you.

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**Additional Comments**

I'm currently going to school for environmental conservation and understand how important doing rigorous science is. An environmental impact study should most certainly be done.

Sent from [Stop The Wonder Inn Project](#)