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Dear Supervisors,

I'm writing today as a member of the Valley Center community to implore you to please approve the **Valley Center Road Corridor Concept Plan** presented by the Planning and Development Services.

This plan was approved by the Valley Center Community Planning Group (VCCPG) after years of work and deliberations.

As you know, Valley Center often experiences several accidents per day, many of them head on collisions and T-bones, the most dangerous types of impact. The plan presented will improve the safety and traffic flow on Valley Center Road. It meets the design guidelines of the Valley Center Community and is very much needed.

Not only will this plan reduce the worst types of impacts, but it will improve first responder response time, make our roads safer FOR first responder vehicles, and make emergency evacuation faster and easier for both people and livestock.

As I am sure your liaisons have informed you, the county's proposed plan had a roundabout on Woods Valley Rd. but the planning group ended up approving an alternative option with a light there instead. Please consider approving the 2 roundabout plan presented to PDS in order to maximize safety and emergency response. Our community needs an answer to the repeated collisions at Valley Center Rd and Woods Valley Road and the original presented plan by PDS would offer that more than the plan with a single roundabout.

Furthermore, other equestrian communities with rural aesthetics and high fire danger utilize roundabouts beautifully to achieve safety for those hauling livestock. Two examples locally include the roundabouts right in front of the entrance to the Del Mar Racetrack and in the quaint, tucked-away equestrian community of Los Ranchitos in Temecula on Ynez Rd at La Paz Rd.

Furthermore, arguments made against active transportation and bike lanes are very misinformed. Those against the project and the safety of our residents will claim that nobody bikes in Valley Center, while I see bicyclists EVERY DAY. This includes several who have lost their lives while riding their bicycles home from work. Our adults and children who bicycle for recreation and transportation deserve safe lanes to do so.

Thank you for your time and consideration

Respectfully,

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