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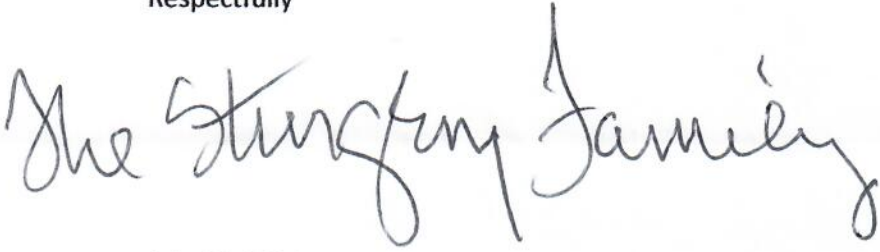
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Carla Wixom Commissioner

LAFCO

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Re NCS D Annexation of Dana Reserve property

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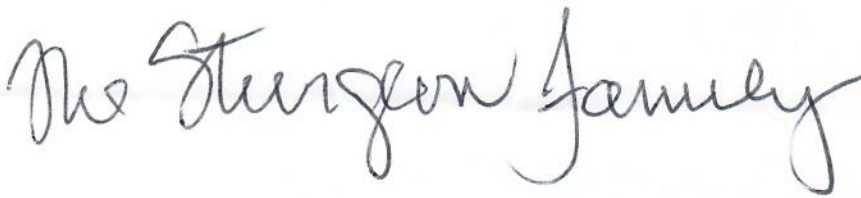
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Re: NO ANNEXATION

8/13/24

Dear Local Agency Formation Commission:

I am writing to express my staunch opposition to the proposed annexation of the Project Dana Reserve into the NCSO service area. This development has consistently raised concerns about integrity, intent, and environmental impact, and **water supply** and these issues must be **thoroughly** addressed before any further actions are taken.

It is deeply troubling to consider that, without the vigilant efforts of Nipomo residents, this massive development might have proceeded without the necessary scrutiny. The project appears to be driven more by financial gain for investors, developers, and various agencies than by genuine concern for the community's well-being.

The main issue at hand is that the proposed annexation is intended to secure water supply for the Dana Reserve site, which currently falls outside of NCSO's jurisdiction. **NCSO lacks the legal authority to supply water from the imported Santa Maria source to areas beyond its service zone.**

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This project has faced many challenges in unconventional ways, and this water problem is the last one. We suspect there have been dubious backroom deals, under-the-table agreements, and hidden financial favors throughout. As the small

players, we're hardly equipped to compete with such established business practices.

~I'm equally weary of the argument that this project's development should be approved due to a supposed "commitment" to increased water consumption through a contract with Santa Maria. This statement seems illogical and misleading when presented to the public. We can effectively manage our water usage and conservation commitments without the need for the DANA RESERVE. While Mario Iglesias from NCS D was undoubtedly thorough and persuasive, in his verbal presentation to the Board of Supervisors meeting in April, it lacked transparency. Promoting a particular narrative while withholding opposing viewpoints is highly questionable. It's also disappointing that NCS D appointed Mario Iglesias to the board as an interim member following his retirement. This decision sends mixed signals and creates a conflict of interest regarding the project. His statements at the county board of supervisors' meeting appeared to show favoritism towards the project. Please NCS D, let Nipomo hear your explanation concerning this conflict....The community of Nipomo deserves better from a company that is supposed to *serve* its customers.

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I urge the Board to reject this annexation and ensure that our water resources are used appropriately and transparently, prioritizing the health and sustainability of our local environment and community.

I hope that you will act in the best interests of Nipomo's residents.

Sincerely,



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c. Nipomo Community Service District NCS D Board Members