

Lenzi, Chelsea

From: Mary Beth Kerr <mmbbkk@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, October 13, 2017 4:28 PM
To: sbcob; kkahn@sybmi.org
Subject: Clerk of the Board re Chumash/County Agreement on BOS Sup. Agenda 10/17/17

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

To: County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors

Front: Mary Beth Kerr, Life time Valley Resident

I am writing you today as a lifetime Valley resident. I speak for myself (not on behalf of my family or any area group).

I consider myself very blessed to live in a nice home on a few acres in rural Santa Ynez Valley. I enjoy the relative quiet, room for flowers, plants, critters and the wildlings that visit.

Having lived in the area for 60 years I have known the Chumash since I first visited the reservation as a child then as a young adult and visiting friends throughout the years. I am looking forward to attending tomorrow's Culture Day at the current tribal hall. I visited the Bingo tent to play Bingo and slots, then the casino and I worked briefly for the newly renovated Casino last year. I am very pleased that the tribe has become successful and self-sufficient.

I believe the Chumash will benefit from being allowed to build homes and a tribal hall on lands that are part of their ancestral lands. I have read the Agreement, attended ad hoc committee meetings and reviewed the House Bill, the EA, etc.

I am a staunch advocate for keeping our traffic, highways and roads as safe as possible. As part of the EA the tribe will be contributing dollars to improvements on 246 and 154 including the current roundabout at 246/154/Armour Ranch Road and future roundabouts at 154/Edison, Roblar, Grand.

I want the rural beauty of our valley to be protected and I believe that the Chumash will be good stewards of Camp 4.

I also know that if the Board does not approve of the Agreement and submit it to the House the County will have no say so in the future.

I respectfully request that the Board approve the Agreement and have it included in the House Bill. I believe the first people of our valley, which makes them the first community of people should be able to live on what is referred to as the Camp 4 property.

I appreciate your taking the time to read and consider my input.

Sincerely,

Mary Beth Kerr, Santa Ynez

Chief Advocate for Traffic Safety Page
SYV Lives Matter

Get [Outlook for iOS](#)