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Subject:	Request for extension

As a 40 year resident of the Santa Clarita Valley, I am disturbed by the Newhall Ranch Project. I request that you extend the Permit for Newhall Ranch to tear up and rape the Santa Clara river until the documents can be reviewed. This is a massive project that will affect the landscape, traffic and ecology of our valley immensely. I see no need to rush into this merely because Lennar and Newhall Land and Farm have greased the pockets of every politician for years.

Please allow the public the time to review and assess the documents and research of this 16,000 page plan.

Thanks, von

## **Response 1**

The Corps and CDFG appreciate the comment provided in your letter. This comment addresses general concerns related to issue areas that received extensive analysis in the Draft EIS/EIR, including **Section 4.5**, Biological Resources; **Section 4.8**, Traffic; and **Section 4.15**, Visual Resources. For clarification, no permits have been issued for the proposed Project at this time. Your opinion regarding the environmental effects of the proposed Project will be included as part of the record and made available to decision makers prior to a final decision on the proposed Project. In response to this and other requests, CDFG and the Corps extended the comment period for the Draft EIS/EIR. Please refer to **Topical Response 1: EIS/EIR Public Review Opportunities**. In addition, for further responsive information, please see revised **Sections 4.5** and **4.8** of the Final EIS/EIR.