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Subject:

Proposed Newhall Ranch Dev.

To Dennis Bedford (The California Dept. of Fish and Game),

The Newhall Ranch Company has released a plan that describes how animals and vegetation will be managed on its project along the Santa Clara River. The proposed project will affect our community for many decades to come: this project would be detrimental to wildlife, worsen traffic, and increase air pollution (not to mention use water that we do not have). We only have until June 26th to review this 16,000 page plan. I am asking for a 120 Day extension of time to provide environmental groups with the time to review this extremely large document.

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Response 1

The comment addresses general subject areas, which received extensive analysis in the Draft EIS/EIR, including Section 4.3, Water Resources; Section 4.5, Biological Resources; Section 4.7, Air Quality; and Section 4.8, Traffic. The comment does not raise any specific issues regarding the analysis provided by the Draft EIS/EIR; therefore, no additional response is provided. However, the comment will be included as part of the record and made available to the decision makers prior to a final decision on the proposed Project. In addition, for further responsive information, please see revised Sections 4.3, 4.5, 4.7, and 4.8 of the Final EIS/EIR.

Response 2

In response to this and other requests, the Corps and CDFG extended the comment period for the Draft EIS/EIR. Please refer to **Topical Response 1: EIS/EIR Public Review Opportunities**.