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Subject: Canopy Project Comments on Draft EIR

To: John Jay, as Project Contact for the Canopy Project

Comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Report

My property is adjacent to the site. NOISE is one of my biggest concerns, both during construction and long term. I am a "noise-sensitive receptor" living on property that is directly adjacent to the project.

Short term noise:

The hours for construction are 7 am - 8 pm for the duration of the construction: several years! I am not a morning person. I am not awake at 7 am. But I will be, for several years, if you proceed as planned. This will negatively affect my health. The decibel levels are proposed to be as high as the 80s, in a clearly unacceptable range according to Sebastopol General plan. If you are going to proceed with unacceptable levels, then you must reduce the hours.

I would request that the hours be adjusted to working hours 8:00 am to 7:00 pm.. Anything more is quite unreasonable.

Long-term noise:

The sound tests you did for current 24-hour ambient noise level was done on the quietest part of the project, L1, which happens to also be my backyard. I purchased this property because of the large buffer of silence. The results of your test were 47, well below normal sound elsewhere.

However, your plan now includes putting the outdoor common recreation area in that location, which will generate noise level "Beyond typical conversation." It makes no sense to put a common recreation area into a place that is already nicely quiet..Why would you not locate that recreation area in an already noisy environment and protect some semblance of quiet. Also you have two uses for common area- one is hammock garden and seating area, which might maintain the quiet, and the other is "organic children's play area." (This is Item 6, on page 35 of the City Ventures Submitted Drawings).

I ask that you separate the two, and ensure that the playground is NOT located in the quiet area adjacent to my property.

In the draft EIR, the mitigation and comment says you do not expect the common areas to be used, but then why are you building it in the first place? Therefore, I do not agree that the noise levels are not "significant."

Other Long term noise

The mechanical and electrical units are expected to generate operational noise levels within 60 feet of my property. The high-density barrier wall to minimize impact is not clearly located to let me know that my property will be protected. Please clarify and insure that there will be protection for my adjacent property.