From:

kjathome@cox.net

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 1:42 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Center Proposed Entrances

Hi Ron,

I am a twenty year resident of Portola Hills and want to convey two issues at this time. First, that I understand that the Baldwin Companies are planning a new development in Portola Hills with entrances on both Glenn Ranch Rd as well as Saddleback Ranch when there is clearly enough room to put both entrances for this small (280 home) development on Glenn Ranch Rd. This would make much more sense and would clearly not affect traffic flow in the area as dramatically as an entrance on Saddleback Rd. I will vigorously support any effort opposing the current plan for an entrance on Saddleback Ranch Rd. Secondly, I don't feel that the traffic/impact study data has been communicated to me or my community effectively. As a 20 year resident of Portola Hills I would like to see the entire study which to date, to the best of my knowledge, has not been presented.

Sincerely,

Kevin Jasinski 28533 Klondike Trabuco Canyon, CA. 92679

From:

Monica Chan <mperegrina33@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 1:21 PM

To: Cc: Santos, Ron Monica Chan

Subject:

Portola Hills Concerned Residents

Ron Santos,

As residents of Portola Hills, we are concerned with the possibility of a new intersection near Saddleback and Glenn Ranch. Currently, this entrance serves as the main entrance for Portola Hills 2, 181 residents. During traffic hours this area sees a lot of cars. If an additional intersection within a few hundred feet is installed it would further congest the area. Too many cars entering the same area is a potential for accidents and chaos.

Curent residents walk and run this area regularly, an increase in traffic would make this very dangerous. As a family with young children we use the main entrace several times a day. It is crucial that adequate traffic studies be done in order to minimize a problem for current residents. We would appreciate the city of Lake Forest to take into consideration another site of entry for the new residents near Portola Hills. An increase in traffic could affect the safety of our loved ones.

Sincerely,

John and Monica Chan

19061 Willow Brook Lane

From:

LeBlanc Pam < Pam.LeBlanc@maquet.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 1:03 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Cc:

Hubby Jim Leblanc

Subject:

Portola center development

Mr Santos

Good afternoon. I am writing to voice my EXTREME CONCERN over the proposed intersection that the Baldwin Brothers are pushing for their Portola Center at the base of Saddleback Ranch Rd. This intersection is mere feet from an existing intersection that already has traffic issues and adding another so close will only create MASSIVE traffic problems and potentially dangerous multiple intersections far too close together. The proposed park will also create its own issues with heavy foot traffic and with too many intersections the risk of injury is too great. There are over 2000 home owners here in Portola Hills and our concerns must be heard. There are other possibilities for the entrances to the gated community that they are building and these options should be more closely evaluated as well as the impact of what they are proposing. As our elected representative I hope you consider what is in the best interest for the 2000 households of Portola Hills and the new home owners of Portola Center. I am sure they do not want heavy congestion, traffic tie ups, pedestrian danger anymore than we do. Please do not ignore our concerns for what is the less expense way that the Baldwin Brothers have proposed for the newer much smaller community of Portola Center.

Thank you for your time and I hope to hear from you in regards to the above issue.

Pamela LeBlanc 28552Cedar Ridge Rd. Trabuco Canyon, Ca. 92679 Sent from my iPad

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From:

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 1:00 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Re: Portola Hills Intersection

I am sorry that I neglected to include my address:

18925 Vista Portola Trabuco Canyon, Ca 92679

On Sun, Jul 8, 2012 at 4:01 PM, Pauline Minns pminns@gmail.com> wrote:
Dear Mr.Santos,

I am concerned about the impact of the preposed 4-way intersection and gated entrances for the Portola Center development. This junction in already at capacity during the rush hour period and at school drop off and pick up times- particularly when turning left from Glenn Ranch onto Saddleback Ranch. I would have thought it was obvious that seperate entrances, with traffic lights, are needed lower down on Glenn Ranch to service the new developments. The traffic continuing on up the hill and turning left would then remain nearer current levels. There could still be major issues at school times if extra children from the new developments are attending Portola Hills Elementary, and I think the system for entering and leaving the school parking lot should also be revised (maybe with seperated entrances one for in and one for out).

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Pauline Minns

Pauline Minns

From:

Mark DeBellis <markd@psbonline.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 12:28 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Proposed Development in Portola Hills/Traffic Concerns

I am a 15 year resident of Portola Hills. During this time there have been numerous changes made to the community. And like any community should, you have listened to the concerns of the residents.

This proposed stop light at the new Baldwin Development on Saddleback Ranch is a dangerous and inconvenient solution to their new complex's entrance. It is dangerous because the traffic back ups will be legendary on Saddleback. Traffic is now flowing at 50 miles per hour coming down the hill. The right turn merge from Millwood will be ineffective integrating traffic the way it currently does.

In a gate guarded community with a limited access road, traffic will back up into Saddleback and push back traffic into Glenn Ranch resulting in a potential hazard for people headed westbound on Glenn Ranch approaching Saddleback Ranch.

It seems like we are incorporating a lot of inconveniences for the all residents of Portola Hills to the benefit of those few living in the new complex.

I urge you to consider some of the alternatives such as another entrance.

Thank you.

Mark and Kayla DeBellis 28611 Chimney Rock Circle Trabuco Canyon, CA 92679

From:

Bruce Foster <bfnf@cox.net>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 12:16 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Center Traffic Study

Mr. Santos,

I have recently been made aware of the tentative plan regarding the development of Portola Center on both sides of Glenn Ranch Road at or near the intersection of Saddleback Ranch Road and the part of that plan that proposes to install a new intersection and traffic signal on Saddleback Ranch Road just a few hundred feet up the hill from the current intersection of Saddleback Ranch and Glenn Ranch Roads. It seems to me that this would create a traffic choke point where none has existed before and make it more difficult for the current residents of Portola Hills community to travel to and from their homes. Why not put the entrances for both the NW and NE parcels of Portola Center on Glenn Ranch Road where there is more room (wider roadway) and much freer flowing traffic. As a 20 year resident of Portola Hills I understand that some development is inevitable but why create a traffic bottleneck on Saddleback Ranch Road when other options are available. I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Bruce Foster Portola Hills

From:

Patricia Klein <s2000.lover@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 12:13 PM

To: Subject: Santos, Ron Portola Center

Dear Mr. Ron Santos,

I am a resident in Portola Hills, and live on Malabar Rd. with a view of the wonderful hills that will be destroyed with new Baldwin homes. It's heart-breaking to me when I think of what will happen to the hills however I know there's no stopping it. What can be changed is the number of homes and the ridiculous traffic signals that are now being planned.

There is plenty of frontage along Glenn Ranch Road, to have entrances to the new developments and Glenn Ranch Road is already four lanes wide with a huge center section that can be used for left turns or more traffic lanes. Why use Saddleback Ranch Road for *any* entrances when it's already busy with the traffic from our existing 2,181 existing households and has no extra room for more turn lanes? That's just plain wrong to do

Traffic study data has not been adequately disclosed to our community. We need total access to all traffic sturdy data rather than limited computer modeled simulations that confuse rather than address our concerns.

How come the number of homes keeps growing in this new community? We have a lovely community here in Portola Hills and hate to see the density of the new center increasing.

Sincerely,

Patricia Klein 28712 Malabar Rd. Trabuco Canyon, CA 992679

From:

Q Aloi <qaloi@psbonline.com> Monday, July 09, 2012 11:54 AM

Sent: To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Hills Traffic light/intersection

This email is in direct response to the neighborhood alert regarding the proposed traffic lights on Saddleback ranch road. The congestion in the area is already at a very high level. It's ludicrous to imagine that an accurate study was made and concluded this was a prudent decision to place it there.

WE AS A COMMUNITY NEED AND DESERVE TOTAL ACCESS TO ALL TRAFFIC STUDY DATA/FINDINGS RATHER THAN THE LIMITED COMPUTER MODELED (SELF SERVING) SIMULATIONS DESIGNED TO CONFUSE RATHER THAN ADDRESS OUR CONCERNS

Portlola Hills resident of 21 years

Q Aloi Senior Art Director PSB Integrated Marketing T: 949.340.8963 | F: 949.465.0777 | TF: 877.384.7772 ext. 263 www.psbonline.com | galoi@psbonline.com

From:

Bourgault, Phyllis T < Phyllis Bourgault@crownbolt.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 11:34 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

New 4-way intersection on Saddleback Ranch Road by Baldwin Companies

Dear Mr. Santos,

I am hearing that the Baldwin Companies are asking for a 4-way intersection with traffic lights on Saddleback Ranch Road to accommodate new homes being build there.

This will create traffic congestion and impact the flow of traffic. An alternative suggestion would be to use Glenn Ranch Road for the entrances for these new developments.

I would appreciate if you would consider this alternative to keep the traffic in our community in the Portola Hills area of Lake Forest less congested.

Thanks and Regards,

Phyllis Bourgault

Sr. Cost Accountant, Crown Bolt 26940 Aliso Viejo Parkway, Aliso Viejo, CA 92656 (O) 949.643.4736 (F) 949.643.4136 Phyllis Bourgault@crownbolt.com

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From:

Nash Andrews < nash.andrews@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 10:57 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Traffic issues at Glenn Ranch and Saddleback Ranch intersection due to new housing

Mr. Santos,

I live in Malabar Rd, Trabuco Canyon, for over six years and I was made aware of the proposed housing community at Portola Hills, and I was told the plan is to have new 4-way intersection with traffic singles and two gates entrances 450 feet above the existing Glenn Ranch intersection with Saddleback!!!

Sir, this street is very busy as it is with lined up cars at the school time and adding more light signals 450 feet above an existing one will be so bad for the entire community.

if the proposed gate would be address at the Glenn Ranch side instead of saddleback side it will make much more sense for everyone.

We would greatly appreciate if more in depth terrific study can be done to validate our concerns.

Thanks Nashaat Endraws

From:

R. Roderick <positiveinertia@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 10:54 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Center Development

Dear Mr. Santos,

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the proposed access plan for the proposed Baldwin Property development from Saddleback Ranch Road; this street is already beyond capacity for 9 months of the year with morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up of children at Portola Hills Elementary any additional load on this street will make the route impassable. An easy remedy would be to route the traffic through the greater capacity of Glenn Ranch Road near or through a combined entry to Whiting Ranch.

I request that the issue be thoroughly reviewed for accessibility and safety, rather than from a perspective of convience for the developer.

Thank you for your time and consideration, Richard Roderick (949) 285-7901

From:

Jan Henry <janhenry@cox.net> Monday, July 09, 2012 10:50 AM

Sent: To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola HillsCenter

Dear Mr. Santos,

I am writing to you as a concerned homeowner and 16 year resident of Portola Hills. I also work part-time at the elementary school and am well aware of the traffic issues/concerns of Portola Hills residents regarding the proposed Portola Center development. I noticed last week that there was a traffic recorder on Saddleback Ranch Rd. I found the timing ironic, because I remember a previous traffic study done the exact same week several years ago...during the July 4th holiday week and after school has been excused for summer vacation. A traffic study done during this time does not accurately portray the traffic issues we have in our community, especially on Saddleback Ranch Rd...before and after school, and during the peak early evening hours.

Additionally, with the cutting of all school bus services to our community (except for special education and the middle school), traffic has increased. Every high school student must now be driven to/from school, and there are no longer busses providing transportation to Portola Hills Elementary for those students residing in Hidden Ridge and Painted Trails...each of those students is now driven to and from school using Glenn Ranch to Saddleback Ranch Rd. Again, a traffic study done during a summer holiday week is not going to take into account the increased school traffic, both coming into our community (for PHE) and leaving our community (for high school).

We are greatly concerned that the increased traffic congestion at the bottom of Saddleback Ranch Rd, especially with a proposed gated community, will cause a complete bottle-neck at high traffic times. There is so much for accessibility on Glenn Ranch Rd...it would be safer and more convenient for the existing and proposed new communities.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jan Henry

From:

Claire McGirr < mcgirr5@cox.net>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 10:11 AM

To: Subject: Santos, Ron Portola Center

Dear Mr. Santos~ We are writing to submit our comment on the gated entrance and the traffic signals on Saddleback Ranch Road. We would not be in favor of this set up. There is so much traffic coming home from work already between the hours of 4-7 p.m. and the back up here would be even worse with this entrance set up. Please consider another option and entrance, possibly on El Toro Road. The overwhelming number of new residences in this area is going to have a huge impact as is on our way of life. We bought our home in Portola HIlls over 18 years ago for it's rural feel. Please allow the public to be properly presented with traffic study data.

The traffic back up is also already very heavy turning onto Glenn Ranch left from Portola during rush hour times as well. This idea of an entrance will further increase this high volume of traffic.

Thank you for your concern.

Robert and Claire McGirr 19486 Jasper HIII Rd Trabuco Canyon, CA 92679 mcgirr5@cox.net

From:

Danny Kubisch <danny.kubisch@att.net>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 10:05 AM

To: Cc: Santos, Ron Danny Kubisch

Subject:

Portola Hills Traffic Signals

Dear Mr. Santos,

I just found out the Baldwin Company wants to put in a 4-way intersection and two gated entrances for the new homes they want to build. I would like you to know I have an issue with this. First, I believe that the city of Lake Forest has not studied the impact this will on traffic and in our community. Secondly, I would like more information on the Baldwins plans. I do not have that much respect for the Baldwin Company because, I have live in Portola Hills for twenty one years and I believe this Company has NO integrity are cares about our community. Please keep me informed.

Thank You, Amy Kubisch

From:

ivs316@cox.net

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 10:02 AM

To: Cc: Santos, Ron avs424@cox.net

Subject:

PORTOLA CENTER - PROPOSED NEW 4-WAY INTERSECTION ON SADDLEBACK RANCH

ROAD

Hello Mr. Santos,

We are property owners and residents of Portola Hills and want to register our concern and dismay regarding the new 4way intersection proposed for Saddleback Ranch Road near Glenn Ranch Road by the Baldwin Companies (BC). While BC representatives note "only 280 new homes" will be served by the proposed new gated entrances on Saddleback Ranch Road, such assurances are deceptive and self-serving. When discussing such proposed major changes to the community's already heavily burdened infrastructure, the focus should not be on residences, but rather VEHICLES! Virtually no residence in Portola Hills has only a single vehicle associated with it; most households include at least 2 vehicles and many have 3 or more. So, instead of 280 residences, the discussion should be about an additional 560 or up to 840+ additional vehicles negotiating Saddleback Ranch Road on a daily basis, within yards of elementary school children being dropped off and picked up by their already harried parents. One has only to observe that stretch of road at the beginning or conclusion of the school day to grasp what a patently bad idea the BC proposal is. Human nature being what it is, parents of students already "bend" or outright ignore state traffic laws and regulations and/or post municipal parking restrictions. Imagine the utter chaos that would ensue from the introduction of hundreds of more vehicles into the mix and the traffic snarls and accidents likely with 2 new gated community entrances off Saddleback Ranch Road! What happened to common sense??? Four-way intersections and gated community entrances should be placed to promote, not endanger, school children and residents. Surely placing the proposed new gated entrances on Glenn Ranch Road would be safer for Portola Hills school children and everybody else. We know these are very challenging times for the City of Lake Forest, for developers and builders and for existing citizen property owners. We applaud true community development and the jobs and revenues they bring to our city. However, community development should not trump public safety, the well-being of our children or common sense simply to make development easier or more profitable for BC. We urge you to personally observe the above-described existing congestion on Saddleback Ranch Road near our elementary school on weekdays. Also, please note how extremely close to the school the proposed intersection and gated entrances would be. We want a traffic accompdation plan that will work well for everyone; the changes to Saddleback Ranch Road proposed by BC are clearly NOT such a solution. Please let common sense prevail. Thanks for reading this email and noting our grave concerns and misgivings. Sincerely,

John & April Van Sky

From:

Davis.Lonny < Davis.Lonny@aaa-calif.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 9:55 AM

To: Cc: Santos, Ron Lonny Davis

Subject:

Portolla hills proposed traffic signal

Dear Mr. Santos,

I am sending this email with great concern and opposition to the proposed traffic signal that would be built at the bottom of Saddleback Ranch rd, a mere 450 ft from the Glenn Ranch traffic signal. If this signal gets put in place it will cause so much congestion and a safety factor as well. This is our (Portolla Hills) only way out of our community and with the added signal and traffic we will constantly be backed up waiting at one or both consecutive lights. The other and more major issue is this is at the bottom of a very steep hill and it takes a lot of braking as is. If drivers come down around the corner and traffic is backed up and stopped, THERE WILL BE REAR END COLLISIONS! It takes the length of Saddleback to slow to a stop.

With 280 new homes built the buyers will have to be aware that they will only have a Glen Ranch entrance/exit. Please consider this when making any decisions. The impact on existing home owners will be unfair and unsafe. Thank you for your consideration.

Lonny Davis Pendleton rd Portolla Hills

From:

Cheryl MacKinnon <cherylm@saddleback.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 9:39 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Hills traffic change

I have loved living in my Portola Hills, Lake Forest community for the past 8 years. I was upset to learn that there will be a traffic light addition on Saddleback Ranch that clearly will be very disruptive to the present residents in order to serve a few new ones. Please reconsider this request!! New developers should pay the cost of the changes they bring to a community not the current residents who have supported the community for years.

Respectfully, Cheryl MacKinnon

Cheryl MacKinnon (949)609-8018

From:

Alan Bergfeld < ABergfeld@opusbank.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 9:28 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Cc:

lisabergfeld@yahoo.com

Subject:

Portola Center - proposed traffic signal

Dear Mr. Santos,

I am a Portola Hills resident. My wife and I purchased our home while it was under construction in 1993 and we have lived there ever since. I understand the rights of landowners to develop the parcels they own, and have in fact represented several builders in my past. I also understand the need to accommodate existing homeowners in proposing a new development, and this is where I feel Baldwin has failed. This weekend I became aware that not only is there a proposed entrance to the new community on Saddleback Ranch Road 450 feet uphill from the Glenn Ranch intersection, but that it is to be controlled by a traffic signal. There is already a fair amount of congestion during commuting hours, especially while school is in session. To have two signal controlled intersections within such close proximity to each other, with new residents turning both ways - to go up to the school or down for commuting – will inevitably result in forcing existing residents to make two stops within very close proximity at the time of day that they will be least amenable to it. I would expect to see cars racing through to "beat the next light" creating a more dangerous situation than if there were no signal at all. If there were no other solution, perhaps we would have to live with it. But there is another solution. The new communities would be easily accessed from Glenn Ranch Road without impacting the value of the new homes whatsoever.

In short, I ask that you consider, and to the greatest extent possible minimize, the traffic impact to existing residents.

Thank you for your consideration.

Alan and Lisa Bergfeld 19271 Jasper Hill Road Trabuco Canyon, CA

Alan Bergfeld



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From:

Hille, Stacy <shille@lsi-lps.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 9:27 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Cc:

hilletwin1@aol.com

Subject:

PORTOLA CENTER DEVELOPEMENT / BALDWIN

Good morning Mr. Santos,

I am writing in concern, as a long-term (12yr+) Canyon Rim Portola Hills resident regarding the new homes construction and the resulting traffic congestion at the intersection of Glenn Ranch and Saddleback Ranch. PLEASE PLEASE insure that the Baldwin's include the necessary number and appropriately placed entrances and exits from their new communities as to minimize the anticipated resulting congestion and traffic. That intersection is already busy enough and without proper and adequate planning and installation of signal(s)we will be in a world of hurt up here.

While I can appreciate that as a builder (with their track record) they will try to do as little possible to accomplish their goals... I look to you to safe-guard the tranquility of the beautiful neighborhood(s) my neighbors and I have enjoyed to-date.

Thank you for your time and consideration to this matter. Stacy Hille 949 636 6744

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From:

Erik Johnson <4erik.johnson@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 9:27 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Center Development

Mr Santos,

Please re-evaluate the traffic study for the Baldwins gated community at Saddleback Ranch Rd. This new intersection will create unnecessary traffic congestion and adversely effect traffic flow in an already congested area. It doesn't make sense to inconvenience the 2181 residences in place already to accommodate the new Baldwins development with a mere 280 new residents of our community.

Thanks for your considerations on this matter.

-Erik Johnson-

From:

welend@yahoo.com

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 9:26 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Saddleback Ranch Rd

I just rec'd a notice about the planned 4-way intersection with traffic signals on Saddleback Ranch Road. This is crazy to put a 4-way stop on this road. With the school being on the same road & it being the most convenient road when heading toward Lake Forest, Bake or Alton this will create a nightmare for those of us who travel this road daily.

I work in Brea & my husband works in Wilmington so it is difficult for us to attend meetings. ALL residents of Portola should be kept up todate on All planned changes. We should also be allowed to vote on this as we live here & commute daily. We need indept traffic study with data and completely disclosed to all of us. I believe other alternatives should be utilized.

Also how will these developments help our community? Will they get rid of our high mello roos? Please keep me informed via email.

Thank you, Linda & Tom Smithson 28966 Canyon Vista Dr Trabuco Canyon (Portola Hills) 949-637-8086 cell Sent via BlackBerry by AT&T

From:

wlukina@parker.com

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 8:51 AM

То:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Hills

Mr. Santos,

Please take a close look at the Current Baldwin Development Plan for Portola Hills.

Safety and Quality of life should be top priority for the Plan. One entrance into the new areas is not safe nor efficient for the satisfaction of all who will be directly affected.

The current plan entrances should be considered for exits only. Additional entrances/exits, need to be required off Glenn Ranch. To the East of Saddleback Rd. there is already a leveled graded area for an entrance/exit. To the West towards the Whiting upper parking lot is an existing Horse/Bike trail and the natural terrain is sloped to accommodate a curved entrance/exit as well.

The Sports Park and New Homes need a minimum of Three entrances/exits. Suggestion would be

- (1) Saddleback and Glenn Ranch
- (2) access from Definition
- (3) access from El Toro

These suggestions would help tremendously for the additional traffic we will see due to the increase in residences.

Wesley Lukina Quality Engineer Parker Hannifin, Corp. FSD, Product Support 16666 Von Karman, Irvine Calif. Phone (949) 809-8128

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From:

Karl Mahl <karl.mahl44@gmail.com>

Sent:

Saturday, July 07, 2012 9:44 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Center Development traffic congestion SAFETY

I am concerned relating to the possibility of an intersection to be added. Traffic and especially the speed of downhill traffic around a slight righthander with a RED light will be major traffic saftey issue

Drivers even now carry high speed down to the existing T intersection. Obviously this is known as there is now the unmanned speed display recently installed. It has done little to slow the traffic. Now put in a traffic light turning yellow, or at RED, just a few hundred feet above Glenn Ranch and this danger will increase to drivers. Consult high speed vehicle dynamics with the weight transfer to the left due to the right hander, driver glimpsing the red and stabbing the brake, now introduce a wet road. Granted, there is stability control etc., still it is a bad idea. The T intersection with the long sight line and a known intersection requiring vehicle input, allows the high speed vehicle time to stabilize before going for the brake, ie forces in a straight line. The downhill SADDLEBACK puts a lot of energy into a vehicle.

Also congestion, especially clearing the Glenn Ranch to Saddleback Ranch (left off of Glenn Ranch moving up into Portola Hills) will increase as the possible new intersection will stop traffic with its RED light just as soon as car start moving up the hill, ie Glenn Ranch left turns will take longer to clear. Additionally the increased gas and tailpipe emission of cars starting from a dead stop on the existnig grade (along with increased wear on transmission clutches) further demonstrates this is a bad idea.

Traffic Study? was the study data collected on a school day during key drop off and pick up times. Irrespective of the study the city may have in its hands, I recommend each voting member come to the subject area and park off street safely and observe for the end of day traffic and the speed of downhill cars and really experience what this intersection will mean.

It is a bad idea which requires an alternative.

Karl and Laura Mahl Portola Hills cell 949-291-5756

From:

David Gene White <davidmelinda1@att.net>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 8:30 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED ENTRIES AT SADDLEBACK RANCH ROAD

Hello Mr. Ron Santos, Senior Planner, City Lake Forest:

Having noticed signs along Saddleback Ranch Road regarding planned entries near the corner of Glen Ranch Road for the Portola Center, my wife and I spoke with the husband + wife team of David + Lyn. They provided a clear overview of the projects and their proposed entries and suggested an email to you would help boostier a position that opposes the entry locations on either side of Saddleback Ranch Road.

I strongly believe that the 2000+ residents of Portola Hills would suffer unduly if these locations are approved. The impact to traffic flow is, on its face, most obvious. Other locations are far better suited and would minimally-impact traffic for Portola Hills.

First, I must tell you I am one of a few that spent days in their car in 1986, "camping out" to secure a home in the newly-created Portola Hills. My wife and I were one of the first to occupy homes in this new community. I served on the board for the first year in 3+ positions until the community was established. I watched Portola Hills grow in a modest pace while maintaining it's "bedroom" feel. We enjoy our enclave and will do what is needed to maintain its way of life. We, as a community, have fought for years against acquisition by the City of Lake Forest and an International Airport at the US Marine base. We are a proud people in Portola Hills and wish to maintain the quality we have enjoyed for over 25 years.

If I can adequately grasp the proposal now before us, the Baldwin Brothers wish to build not one but two entry sites on Saddleback Ranch Road for their project Portola Center. Both locations and the traffic jam that will most ensue will severely impact traffic flow into and out of our community. It seems so illogical to select such locations.

Certainly, suggested changes in project entries along Glenn Ranch Road would be easily-approved by the residents of our community and the frontage on Glenn Ranch Road would allow more than one entrance for each property (best for emergencies). Overall, selecting entrances on Glenn Ranch Road would be of impact for all residents, old and new. This solution would seem to win the "hearts and minds" of our community.

What environmental impacts have been offered and has there been a traffic study conducted on the proposed entrances? How were these locations selected? We in this community must be informed and allow our input to mitigate the impact to our way of life.

I was told you wish to hear from the community. Well, you have from myself. I am sure others will like responded. I look forward to attending meetings this week to add my voice to the discussion. I hope you will be in attendance as well.

Thank you for allowing me to express myself.

Sincerely,

David Gene White 28946 Oakview Lane Trabuco Canyon CA 92679

From:

rblueskies <rblueskies@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 8:11 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Saddleback Ranch Rd, proposed traffic signaling

Hello Mr, Santos -

A recent flyer distributed within my Portola Hills neighborhood describes a proposal to install a 4-way intersection on Saddleback Ranch Rd. just a few hundred feet uphill from the Glenn Ranch Rd. intersection. I vehemently oppose the addition of more traffic hazards on this already dangerous and extremely poorly designed roadway.

As a long-time resident of the area I have few choices to get to my home. Unfortunately, traveling on Saddleback Ranch Rd is a necessity. In my opinion, I have never experienced a more poorly designed neighborhood roadway than Saddleback Ranch Rd., under its current configuration. Clearly, there was no general plan for this roadway and its design is a patchwork of failures as more neighborhoods were built. The road is dangerous because of this poor configuration. Everybody who commutes this road has to deal with speedsters racing up the hill in the long right turn only lane only to be cut off in dangerous and rude maneuvers. Then the road narrows considerably (right in front of an Elementary School) creating more congestion and danger.

Instead of placating to big homebuilders, the city should be examining ways to improve the traffic situation here for the existing neighborhoods. Some improvement suggestions would be:

- Drop the speed limit to 40 MPH for uphill traffic and enforce it vigorously
- Install permanent lane delineators to keep Right Turn only traffic within that lane so traffic cannot cut off the thru traffic
- Do not allow the homebuilders to enter/exit new neighborhoods from Saddleback Ranch Rd., there is plenty of frontage on Glenn Ranch Rd.

The city has already failed the residents of the Portola Hills neighborhoods who must use this access roadway by allowing haphazard planning from the very beginning. Please do not make this roadway even worse by continuing the legacy of poor traffic design on this roadway.

Jeremy and Laura Freeman 19026 Canyon Terrace Dr Trabuco Canyon, CA 92679 949-713-6566

From:

DJUrata@aol.com

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 8:09 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Cc: Subject: aroe@metlife.com Portola Center project

Dear Mr. Santos,

It has come to my attention that the Baldwin Companies are planning as part of the Portola Center project, a new 4-way intersection with traffic signals and two gated entrances very close to the base of the hill on Saddleback Ranch Road. As someone who passes that area every day, this seems to be a very bad idea. I invite you to try to turn fight from Millwood Road to Saddleback Ranch Road and try to then merge left to turn left on Glenn Ranch at 8 am during the school year. It is difficult now, let alone after a signal stops traffic almost immediately after the first turn. I have had close calls simply trying to merge onto Saddleback Ranch even to turn right onto Glenn Ranch at rush hour as people dive toward the right lane at high speeds.

The congestion that two signals in close proximity would cause during commuting hours would be dense and based on the speed of the cars descending Saddleback in the morning around a partially blind curve, potentially very hazardous. We have not been privy to the traffic study data and believe that the information has not been properly presented during public meetings.

There are other options for handling the ingress and egress to the additional homes being developed on both sides of Saddleback Ranch Road and the development on the south side of Glenn Ranch Road. I fear that without proper disclosure of the traffic data study and a proper alternative to the existing plan, there will eventually be extensive delays in the traffic flow and potentially deadly accidents in our future.

Thank you for your help in clarifying this issue.

Douglas Urata & Alice Roe

From:

Josh/Char Turner < josh.charlynn@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 7:58 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Projected Intersection in Portotal Hills

Dear Ron Santos,

We have been residents of Portola Hills for the last 6 years and understand that that Baldwin Company would like to develop in our area on the street of Saddleback. Although the homes and added neighborhoods have already been approved there is the idea of an added intersection/ 4 way stop that is just feet from an existing stop lighted intersection on Saddleback and Glenn Ranch. The location makes no sense and shouldn't be allowed to be installed. My understanding is that you are instrumental in getting this issue resolved. Please take a physical look at the area in question and I think you'll agree this is a ridiculous plan and will impede the flow of the existing neighborhood dramatically. We do not need an added hinderance to our community.

Please reconsider the plans that were inaccurately proposed to our community. The projected intersection is not a good or safe idea.

Thanks for your regards and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Joshua & Charlynn Turner of Canyon Summit

From:

Dennis <dwestergard@cox.net>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 4:56 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Baldwin Companies

Mr. Ron Santos,

The planned 4-way intersection with traffic signals and gated (2) entrances on Saddleback Ranch Rd., will create serious traffic congestion to the community of Portola Hills and is not a responsible way to serve the 280 homes which are to be built on these sites. (this planned intersection is only 900 feet from the intersection of Glenn Ranch Rd and Saddleback Ranch Rd which is a major intersection in the neighborhood of Portola Hills) Please consider alternative access to the new development for the sake of the neighborhood/community.

Respectfully, Dennis R Westergard 19262 Echo Pass Rd Portola Hills, CA 92679

From:

Nakamura, Kristen <knakamur@uci.edu>

Sent:

Monday, July 09, 2012 1:18 AM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Baldwin construction in Portola Hills

I am writing due to a concern with the new traffic signal Baldwin Companies is planning to construct in Portola Hills. The Glenn Ranch/Saddleback intersection is one of the busiest in the community. Another traffic signal just a few hundred feet from this intersection will increase an already congested area, especially during prime traffic hours. I do not think the developers have properly assessed how this development will impact our community and our streets. Please reconsider the location. There is plenty of room on Glenn Ranch Road for the intersection and constructing it further away from the Saddleback intersection will help the flow of traffic. Why not put the gated entrance for the community near the Whiting Ranch entrance?

The traffic study data has not been adequately disclosed to our community in a comprehensive and detailed manner. The traffic study numbers and their impact have been poorly presented during public meetings. We need a total access to all traffic study data rather than limited computer modeled simulations that confuse rather than address our concerns.

Sincerely, Kristie

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From:

Manoj Puthenveetil < manoj.puthenveetil@gmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 10:49 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Re: New homes at Portola Center by Baldwin Company

Dear Ron,

Recently I became aware of the community development plan by Baldwin company in Portola Hills. As a 11 year resident of this community, I feel that the proposed entrance to one of the developments from Saddleback ranch road will cause significant traffic congestion. I am not aware of the details of the study conducted by the city so far. I would appreciate any effort by the city to make aware of the traffic implications more clearly.

I would prefer the Baldwin company to keep all the entrances to the properties for Glen Ranch road.

Regards, Manoj

From:

Morse Travers <traversm@cox.net>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 10:33 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Baldwin traffic signals on Saddleback Ranch Road

Dear Mr. Santos:

I have lived in Portola Hills for more than 18 years and am very much against adding a traffic signal to Saddleback Ranch Road between Glenn Ranch and Millwood. The signal would be dangerous (due to the slope of the road) and slow down our ingress and egress to our homes. It would seem that a Glenn Ranch access to at least one of the Northern parcels would make much more sense

Sincerely,

Morse R. Travers 19441 Jasper Hill Road Trabuco Canyon, CA 92679

From:

miabruiz@cox.net

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 9:54 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

portola hills gates

I am a resident of Portola Hills since 2001, and I am NOT in favor of this proposal of building this gates at the base of the hill on Saddleback Ranch Rd.

This for sure will create traffic congestion on our neighborhood.

Please consider my petition

Maria Ruiz

From:

Emine Seymen <eyseymen@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 9:51 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Proposed Intersection for Portola Center

Dear Mr. Santos,

It has been brought to our attention that Baldwin Companies want to put a 4-way intersection with traffic signals and two gated entrances on Saddleback Ranch Road for their new development in Portola Center.

It blows our minds to hear that the City is even considering this ridiculous plan about the new intersection. We, the residents of Portola Hills, were not completely informed about the traffic studies and the computer modeling, so we cannot dispute whatever was laid out on these studies. However, please note that these data are presented in a way to make them believable. I would suggest that the City and specifically you to **visit Portola Hills during school drop off and pick up times, to see the real figures and the saturation**. The Saddleback Ranch Road often backs up all the way to Malabar with cars waiting to pick up their kids. You can ask anybody who lives in Portola Hills and even the police department to understand the chaos on Saddleback Ranch Road. Please note that Portola Hills Elementary has about 1000 students not only from Portola Hills, but from Painted Trails in Mission Viejo, Hidden Ridge in Trabuco Canyon, and other neighborhoods. The new development will definitely increase the amount of children attending this school, which will result in more traffic on Saddleback Ranch Road. Now, can you imagine the impact of the proposed 4-way intersection with traffic lights and the gated entrance? Not to mention the people who use Saddleback Ranch Road as a short-cut to get to the canyons.

In addition, the current residents who are turning onto Saddleback Ranch Road from Malabar and Millwood roads do not have any problems and manage without traffic lights. I am sure as a city planner you have access to the numbers to see the how many houses are involved using Malabar and Millwood roads.

We have moved to Portola Hills 4 years ago specifically for 2 reasons; the first one was the school and the second one was the ease of traffic. We liked Portola Hills so much that we bought a second home. The school is still great, but, a wrong decision can turn the traffic into a nightmare for current, tax paying residents of Portola Hills.

We are sure that a solution can be found to accommodate Baldwin Companies wishes without putting more stress on Saddleback Ranch Road, even if it means that Baldwin Companies may have to alter their plans slightly.

We strongly hope that the City does not ignore our concerns and act accordingly.

Sincerely, Emine & Anthony Teillet

From:

Saeed Jorat <sjorat@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 9:50 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Center Developement

Mr. Santos:

I am a resident of Protolla Hills and have been living her for the last 7 years.

I understand the subject development will be discussed at he City Hall on July 10th.

This proposed development will have major negative effect the traffic in the area.

- 1. I believe this development will negatively affect the value of properties in Potolla Hills.
- 2. In particular, the effect on the traffic should be carefully studied.
- 3. There should be no entrance to the development from Saddleback Road to reduce negative effects on our neighborhood traffic.

I hope City Council considers these issues before any approval of the project.

Saeed Jorat 19322 Sleeping Oak Dr. Trabuco Canyon, CA 92679

From:

stevegillings@cox.net

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 9:39 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Hills

Mr. Santos:

I am expressing my concern at the proposed intersection on Saddleback Ranch Road for the Baldwin Companies Portola Center.

I travel that area twice a day and the traffic jams such intersection would create woule be unacceptable. Traffic in the morning and in the evening would be backed up into the intersection with Glenn Ranch Road. DO NOT ALLOW SUCH IDIOTIC PLANNING! The Baldwin Companies should be required to put any intersections along Glenn Ranch Road. The Baldwin Companies plan does not take into consideration the extremely negative impact an interesection on Saddleback Ranch Road would have.

Steve Gillings Portola Hills

From:

andycathyd@cox.net

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 9:39 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Baldwin Co 4-way intersection with traffic signals in Portola Center

Dear Ron Santos, Senior Planner,

We are 18 year residence of Portola Hills, and very concerned about the traffic problems that the above developments the Baldwin Co. wants to install in our neighborhood.

As it is traffic is already a problem coming up Glenn Ranch Road to Saddleback at rush hour, I cannot imagine that a traffic study data has been adequately disclosed to our community in a way that shows the impact this new intersection just 450 feet from the existing Glenn Ranch intersection with Saddleback will have.

Please be advised we will be watching and keeping informed about these decisions that are being made that affect our homes.

Concerned homeowners, Andy & Cathy Diaz

From:

Cristin Riedel <cdr3321@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 9:34 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Intersection in Portola Center

Dear Ron,

We are writing with concerns regarding the Baldwin Companies proposal for a 4-way intersection with traffic signals and gated communities in Portola Center. We believe this proposal would not benefit the existing households in Portola Hills as it would create unnecessary traffic congestion. Currently, the intersection at Glenn Ranch and Saddleback Ranch is one of the busiest in our community. Work traffic as well as Portola Hills Elementary school traffic often clogs the section of road where the proposed intersection on Saddleback Ranch would be. Saddleback Ranch is the one and only access road into our community from Glenn Ranch. With the new proposal, not only are we concerned of additional traffic congestion, but we are also concerned this could turn into a safety issue for the elementary school children.

Please do what you can to ensure that traffic flow remains smooth and unhindered in our community. We are sure the City and the Baldwin Companies can agree to a much better solution than what is currently proposed.

Thank you for your time.

The Riedels
Portola Hills Community Residents

From:

Steve Seastrom <seseastrom@aol.com>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 9:34 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Baldwin Development in Portola Hills

Dear Mr. Santos,

As a resident of Portola Hills I am concerned that the Baldwin development traffic study has not been adequately disclosed to our community in a comprehensive and detailed way. The traffic study numbers and their impact have been poorly presented at public meetings. Our community needs total access to all traffic study data rather than limited computer model simulations that confuse rather than address our concerns. I am very concerned about the traffic congestion that will result from the proposed Baldwin plan for a new 4 way intersection and as well as two gated entrances all near the signalized intersection of Glenn Ranch and Saddleback Ranch Road.

Please delay any further plans and their approval until our community has access to all the aforementioned facts, studies and other information.

Thank you.

Steve Seastrom

28915 Canyon Rim Drive Portola Hills, 92679.

From:

jreinar@cox.net

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 9:23 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Cc:

miabruiz@cox.net

Subject:

new 4-way int. at Portola Hills

I am a resident of Portola Hills since 2001, and I am NOT in favor of this proposal of building this gates at the base of the hill on Saddleback Ranch Rd. This for sure will create traffic congestion on our neighborhood. Please do not do this.

John Einar Ruiz

From:

Elizabeth Bottiaux <ebottiaux@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 8:23 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Peeved in Portola Hills

Dear Ron,

PLEASE do not allow a traffic light on Saddleback Ranch Rd. in Portola Hills. It's bad enough that all those low income, smooshed together homes are being built. We are considering moving from our beloved PH within 3 years, due to these changes. Nobody in PH is happy about this. :(Elizabeth Bottiaux

Sent from my iPhone

From:

sunell_family@cox.net

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 6:58 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Center Development

Dear Mr. Santos,

I would like to express my concern as a resident of the Portola Hills Community to you as the Senior Planner for the City of Lake Forest, and to the City Council about the traffic congestion and potential safety issues that the Portola Center Development's proposed ingress and egress will bring at the busy intersection of Saddleback Ranch Rd and Glenn Ranch Rd.

Please provide our community with all traffic study data, beyond simulated computer modeling, in a clear and comprehensive manner that is readily available to all members of the community for public review. There is substantial citizen concern about the traffic impact and safety for our community. This deserves more consideration than a rush to accommodate the developers. Our community's safety and livability should be the primary concern.

Thank you.

Sincerely.

David Sunell Portola Hills Resident @ 28976 Canyon Vista Drive

From:

John Duffy <jpbadknees@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 6:18 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Saddleback Ranch Road/Glenn Ranch intersection

Dear Mr. Santos.

It has come to my attention that the Baldwin Companies want to put a new, 4-way intersection with traffic signals and two gated entrances at the base of the hill on Saddleback Ranch Road. My concern is that the traffic study data has not been adequately disclosed to our community in a comprehensive and detailed manner, nor have the traffic study numbers and their impact been clearly presented during public meetings. As a 20 year resident of Portola Hills, I feel that we as a community need total access to all traffic study data rather than the limited computer model simulations that have been presented. These simulations tend to confuse rather than clarify the issue. I ask that you take these concerns under consideration.

Respectfully, John Duffy 28872 Canyon Point

From:

Irene Shimizu <ireneshimizu@me.com>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 5:54 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Hills

Dear Mr. Santos

I can't imagine the traffic nightmare the city of Lake Forest is thinking of infecting on the residents of Portola Hills. I don't understand how the City Council could possibly agree that an exit with a signal from the new Baldwin project onto Saddleback could be a reasonable idea! This is just a few hundred feet from an existing signal so why not have an exit with a signal onto Glen Ranch and a second exit without a signal onto Saddleback? There is already a long line of cars waiting to turn onto Saddleback every evening, please consider the existing residents ahead of Baldwin! Regards from an active voting resident of Portola Hills, Irene Shimizu

Sent from my iPad

From:

zaida Jorat <zjorat@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 5:25 PM

To: Subject: Santos, Ron Intersection

Dear Mr Santos.

The traffic study data of the intended intersection at Portola Hills by the Baldwin builders has not been adequately disclosed to the community of Portola Hills in a comprehensive and detailed way also the traffic study numbers and their impact have been poorly presented during public meetings. Our community needs total access to all traffic study data rather than limited model simulators that do not address our concerns.

As a resident of Portola Hills I am concern about the planing developments in this area and the traffic congestion that the new intersection will bring to this community.

Sincerely Zaida Jorat

From:

Linda Gagnon < kukini.gagnon@gmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 5:15 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Hills

Good afternoon, Mr. Santos:

The issue of a 4-way intersection looks to become a reality without any prior information disclosed to PH until now. This has immediately caused an extreme amount of disappointment and anger towards Baldwin and most important the City of Lake Forest for the action or non-action. You may have the most valid reason(s) for this plan, but PH has continually opposed the home/apartment plans you have described for years. It is apparent that our opinion has had no meaning and now we are again being placed in a position that has naturally created very unkind words for the City and again for the Baldwins. As homeowners in PH for almost 19 years we are well aware of Baldwin's history.

The majority of the community has only become aware of your latest attempt to host a meeting due to some very informed homeowners that have PH's interests in mind. The City is holding 2 meetings to make informing us "legal." However, it would be conducive to the City if you made an honest attempt to involve the homeowners with these plans by 1) personally promoting and encouraging attendance; and 2) holding the meeting(s) in a more convenient place such as our PH elementary school instead of your office. Whether it's your intention or not, it appears that you are playing it safe not to be questioned in light of our known unhappiness at this point.

Why don't you/we build a decent rapport with PH instead of the dissension that is being created? Show an effort that the City really does care about PH and it's not all talk Talk is cheap.

Thank you,

Linda and Paul Gagnon Shady Ridge Lane Portola Hills

From:

Diane Salwender <queendidi@me.com>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 4:55 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Hills Community

To Whom It May Concern:

It is my understanding that The Baldwin Company is recommending a 4-way signal into the planned gated community off Saddleback Ranch Road. I am a concerned resident of Portola Hills having lived here for 22 years this December 2012. Saddleback Ranch Road is the main furrow fare for traffic into the community and leaving the community. Living above the school, (Portola Hills Elementary School), we see the school traffic that is so congested daily, as well as being dangerous. We also hear and see constant traffic throughout the day and night. I am very much against any new community entry on Saddleback Ranch Road, especially a 4-way signal. Traffic is going to cause terrible back up, the signals are going to cause bigger problems for those that already are experiencing heavy traffic. Residents coming home from work will be impacted by this signal greatly as well. The Baldwin Company has made so many promises to the original homeowners, many of which have never happened or ever will. This company is extremely unethical in their business practices. The Baldwin Company filed bankruptcy leaving the community to pick up the pieces. Now The Baldwin Company is attempting to cause bigger upset with entry on Saddleback Ranch Road, just because "he can" This is outrageous! The Baldwin Company needs to consider the community that is impacted by this. I recommend that entry into both communities be from Glenn Ranch Road. Please STOP this from happening, the community will be greatly impacted if this passes.

Diane Salwender 19455 Dorado Drive Trabuco Canvon, CA 92679

From:

nancy dekker < j.dekker@sbcglobal.net>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 4:11 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

4-WAY TRAFFIC SIGNAL

Dear Mr. Santos,

I and my husband are current residents of Portola Hills. We are both very concerned about the impact that this Baldwin Company Development is going to have on traffic on Glenn Ranch and near Saddleback. This is simply not fair to the Portola Hills residents. There is already a tremendous amount of traffic from cars each evening when everyone is trying to get home. It is agonizing sometimes. I have noticed a big difference in traffic in the past two years because a lot of drivers use Glenn Ranch as a pass-thru to reach El Toro road.

I'm all for developing. It brings jobs and revenue, but there must me some other options for the Baldwin Company. Please keep this from occuring.

Sincerely,

Nancy Dekker (concerned resident of Portola Hills)

From:

Liliya Spektor <mutuallk@cox.net>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 4:08 PM

То:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

We don't wont

We don't wont to put a new 4-way intersection with traffic signals and gated entrances for their new developments in PORTOLA CENTER at the base of the hill on saddleback ranch road Thank you!

From:

Pauline Minns <pminns@gmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 4:02 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Hills Intersection

Dear Mr. Santos,

I am concerned about the impact of the preposed 4-way intersection and gated entrances for the Portola Center development. This junction in already at capacity during the rush hour period and at school drop off and pick up times- particularly when turning left from Glenn Ranch onto Saddleback Ranch. I would have thought it was obvious that seperate entrances, with traffic lights, are needed lower down on Glenn Ranch to service the new developments. The traffic continuing on up the hill and turning left would then remain nearer current levels. There could still be major issues at school times if extra children from the new developments are attending Portola Hills Elementary, and I think the system for entering and leaving the school parking lot should also be revised (maybe with seperated entrances one for in and one for out).

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Pauline Minns

From:

ourtoys@sbcglobal.net

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 3:58 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

4-way intersection

Ron:

I am opposed to the installation of a 4-way intersection and the gated entrances on Saddleback Ranch Rd that are proposed by the Baldwin Companies. Traffic is already bad enough for people trying to merge onto Saddleback Ranch Rd from the two streets just uphill from that location.

Malabar is frequently gridlocked during the school year because of it's proximity to the school, and then to add a 4-way intersection with it's unknown wait time for the signal changes, it would potentially back traffic up the hill and gridlock both streets between the new signal and the school.

I say NO to the proposed new 4-way intersection and traffic light.

Sid Lanier

From:

Amy E. <amy@ebbertco.com>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 2:31 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Cc:

rlebbert@earthlink.net

Subject:

New intersection on Saddleback Ranch Road

Dear Mr. Santos

I am a homeowner in Portola Hills and I am writing to you about the proposed new traffic signal on Saddleback Ranch Road. I am very opposed to this.

We purchased our home shortly after the Baldwins went bankrupt on the Crown Point project. We remember their failed promise to make a community park on or around the area that they are now developing as Portola Center. We are not happy about allowing the self serving Baldwins to develop Portola Center and especially not happy with putting the signal in the proposed area. It could easily be placed on Glen Ranch Road instead and alleviate having 2 signals painstakingly close. I believe using Saddleback Ranch would only be to the benefit of the Baldwin Co. We hope that you do not favor the Baldwins over your constituates

Very Truly Yours, Amy Ebbert 19765 Dorado Drive Trabuco Canyon, CA 92679

From:

Dana McLean < leebeelou@megapathdsl.net>

Sent:

Sunday, July 08, 2012 2:01 PM

To:

Santos, Ron

Subject:

Portola Center Development

Dear Mr. Santos,

I am an 11 year resident of The Bella Palermo Condominium Complex on the corner of Malabar and Saddleback Ranch and am concerned about rumblings I'm hearing about the new developments proposed for the corner of Saddleback Ranch and Glenn Ranch. More specifically, I'm concerned about the traffic congestion they will create on Saddleback Ranch as it is only a two lane road and already very busy. Adding additional driveways, intersections, crosswalks, and stop signs will only make an already congested area even more dangerous. There are times when the wait is very long to make a left safely onto Saddleback from Malabar. Please consider carefully where entrances, exits and stoplights are placed, and the impact they will have on long time residences of the area.

Thank you, Dana McLean

Sent from my iPad