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## Re: Public Hearing: February 28, 2024 Agenda Item 3: File PLN2023-00400

Dear Commissioners:

I urge the Planning Commission to approve Agenda Item 3 (part [1]) as it pertains to providing reliable water service to Pescadero Middle/High School:

Consideration of a Coastal Development Permit, pursuant to Section 6328.4 of the County Zoning Regulations, to extend CSA-11 water pipelines to -[1] serve Pescadero Middle/High School and [2] a future fire station to be located adjacent to the school – located at 350-360 Butane Cut Off, in the unincorporated Pescadero area of San Mateo County. This project is appealable to the California Coastal Commission.

I am not necessarily opposed to part [2] of Agenda Item 3 dealing with "a future fire station to be located adjacent to the school," I simply lack sufficient knowledge to express an opinion.

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As for extending water service to Pescadero Middle/High School, your approval and the County's completion of this project is imperative and necessary for the vitality of our community and the well-being of Pescadero's children.

I have lived in Pescadero most of my life; my children attended the Pescadero Middle/High School. This school site has long struggled with securing a reliable, safe source of water. Approval of this project is a necessary step in addressing that deficiency.

A successful school requires many things – one of them is a safe, reliable source of water. And, while LHPUSD's schools have long struggled with a wide variety of deficiencies, they remain a vital part of our community and deserve your support, starting with approval of Agenda Item 3.

Thank you for your consideration.

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