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Simi Valley, CA 93063
January 22, 2024

Ventura County Board of Supervisors
Hall of Administration
800 S. Victoria Avenue
Ventura, CA 93009

Re: Agenda Item No. 41 (Recommendation to Approve Funding
for a Portion of a Pilot Channel Project Over Coyote
Creek at Camp Chaffee Road in a One-Time Contribution
Amount of \$25,000).

Dear Members of the Board:

When I read about the horrific damage to the Foster Park Community area from relentless atmospheric rivers, I was extremely saddened to not be able to contribute at the time to help out. I saved funds as time passed in order to contribute should the urgency make it onto the local news once again. When the news was reported, I looked up the information regarding the organization that was collecting donations on the behalf of the Foster Park Community, but there was a glitch making the online donations! I thought my opportunity to help out from the furthest part of the County was again lost! I contacted the organization, and the glitch was taken care of ASAP. My husband followed through once I made my emergency management and emergency preparedness, humanity, and "County-wide effort" case.

Members of the Board, it is stated on Page 2 of your January 23, 2024 letter under Background, first paragraph, first sentence, that "The Foster Park Community was originally established as a seasonal hunting and fishing community in 1925"! I have researched the County's 3 public cemetery districts. While 1 district was formed in 1947, its cemetery was established in the 1890s! The 1890s date qualified it to become a County and State historical landmark in the 1990s. The other two districts' cemeteries qualify for historical designation because they are 100+-years-old; along with other 100-years-old historical facts. The Foster Park Community can pursue the area's historical designation through historical or other types of grants, and donations. The residents are no longer strangers to

rallying and fundraising. Their activities showed their love for their community and each other, unity, and cooperation; as Supervisor LaVere said on Page 3, "their grassroots" "efforts" "byway of their dedication and commitment"(second paragraph, first sentence)! The Foster Park Community raised \$69,503.73(of the \$94,000 required to be funded by private property owners)! Because many of your constituents, and quite possibly people from nearby counties participated, the Foster Park Community's talents, skills, and abilities were extremely successful!

Members of the Board, I commend the participation of all of the parties involved in trying to make the Foster Park Community area habitable.

Members of the Board, I kindly request that you support Supervisor LaVere's request for the County's One-Time Contribution Amount of \$25,000! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Teresa Jordan