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Subject: July 11th meeting agenda 4 Horse Ranch

Message: To whom it may concern, I, Perry Willard, live at 2720 Hwy 12 Valley Springs (Burson). Here is my input on this subject matter concerning the 4 Horse Ranch. My house sits in between the North State Landscaping company and the 4 Horse Ranch property. I have owned this property for about 10 or so years. It was a rental property for the first several years, with several of those years being a Day Care facility, Playful Discoveries. When the owners of Playful Discoveries decided to close the business with the intentions of moving to Tennessee, I decided to move into this property and make it me residence for me and my grandkids. This coming January will be my 3-year anniversary of actually living here.

It has been brought to my attention over the past several months there has been an ongoing issue with some of my neighbors and the 4 Horse Ranch. I was asked to attend a meeting a few months ago that was hosted at the North State Landscaping building. Randy and Debbie of North State and another neighbor that lives behind 4 Horse Ranch and two Calaveras County Planning Department employees and Gary Tofanelli. I arrived a little late for the meeting, I was introduced to the group, explained that I lived in the house behind North State and sat down and listened to what was being said regarding 4 Horse Ranch.

I sat quietly for several minutes listening to what was being said. It didn't take long for me to realize just how contentious this meeting was regarding the 4 Horse Ranch Owners and the neighbors who brought their complaints to the county. I did at some point wonder why the owners of the 4 Horse Ranch didn't have a seat at this table to argue or defend their points, after all, these neighbors and the county seemed to hell bent on finding a way to shut down a family owned and ran family business.

As I listened, I got th distinct impression that this meeting wasn't about finding a middle road, a compromise let's say, or a win/win solution for all parties, it was about finding a way to shut down 4 Horse Ranch through code violations warfare and continuous notices, fines, and the full force of the County Code Compliance Department. When someone finally asked me how I

felt, they were surprised that I was opposed to their tactics and the gaining up on the owners and shutting down of a family-owned business that supports the community with healthy alternatives for mostly kids, some families and adults from the Valley Springs area and other outside communities.

I am sorry, I have to run out for an appointment at this time, I am not finished with my thoughts or input on this matter. I understand there are code violations, maybe zoning violations as well, but I would rather see people (our community) working to resolve issues then conspirer on how to shutdown an established and valuable contribution to very same community. I can be reached at 209 304 3720 and would be happy to come to any meeting to voice an opinion on 4 Horse Ranch's rights to survive as a viable service and within code compliance. Perry Willard