

November, 2017

Dear Mayor Smyth:

We applaud the City for recognizing the Lyons to Dockweiler at-grade crossing faces seemingly insurmountable challenges, this after three tries at an EIR, and expending more than \$2 million of public funds.

The proposed solution of bringing the Dockweiler extension to 13th Street is also a poor choice:

- Any traffic pattern which encourages additional traffic over an at-grade crossing, no matter how improved, is creating a dangerous situation putting citizens at risk.
- The proposed crossing begins and ends with a T-intersection, from Sierra Highway to 13th Street via Dockweiler Avenue, bringing heavy fast-moving traffic through long established residential neighborhoods.
- The proposed crossing at 13th Street violates Placerita Canyon's Special Standards District. This is written into Santa Clarita's General Plan; it violates the City's promise to maintain Placerita Canyon as a rural equestrian neighborhood.

We urge the City to do one of two things:

1. Remove the proposed alignment from the City's circulation maps, as was done with Emberbrook or
2. Find some alignment to utilize the already-improved Market Street crossing which is a 4-way intersection leading directly to Downtown Newhall.

Sincerely,

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_____ City

Cc: City Manager Ken Striplin
City Council Members Weste, Kellar, McClean, Miranda

Comments:
