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Hello Mr. Perez and Commissioners,

I'm writing you in regards to the upcoming Nov. 1st Planning Commission meeting regarding the Scoping for an Environmental Impact Report associated with Tentative Parcel Map 22-05046 (TPM 38412), Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 23-05107, and Development Plan Review (DPR) 22-00005.

I'm a former Mayor of Hanford and still serve on the City Council here in the Central Valley. My interest in the project comes from my being a former skydiver at Perris, and was one of their full time Parachute Riggers for several years. My husband was also a skydiver there and serves at NAS Lemoore up here flying in the F-18. I give you that brief history so you can understand I share both perspectives as a skydiver with ties to aviation and as a public official.

I see that the 867,070 sq ft truck and trailer storage facility being proposed is subject to a CUP. I have concerns about the possible dangers this would pose for the pilots and jumpers of Skydive Perris. This concern is due to the impact on wind and turbulence this building, and even the hot asphalt, can create. Anyone who has spent any time under a parachute or in an aircraft can attest to how perilous conditions can get above and around buildings, topography, and vegetation when temperatures rise or winds pick up.

Believe me when I say that I have had my fair share of pushback from "NIMBYs" when we as a city have infill projects we'd like to see move forward, so I can sympathize in that regard. But in this instance I would think that this could serve as a detriment for the city if conditions prove too dangerous for Skydive Perris to continue to operate. As you may know, Perris is one of the best known Drop Zones not just in the country, but in the world. They bring in thousands of jumpers every year from all over, their employees are residents in Perris, visitors frequent your restaurants and shops, and multiple movies, shows, and commercials get shot there. I'll also mention how they are a great asset to our country by providing our military with the best training in the industry with top notch instructors.

I appreciate your consideration on the matter and hope that these concerns, and many others, will be validated in the EIR.

Best Regards,  
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