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City of Perris Planning Department
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Subject: Petition for a Fair, Accurate and Thorough Evaluation of the Safety and Environmental Impact of Proposed Project to Perris Valley Airport

Proposed Project: Perris Airport Logistics Center - PLN 22-05046, DPR 22-00005, CUP 23-05107

To the Lead Agency, City of Perris, Senior Planner Nathan Perez:

We, the patrons and users of the Perris Valley Airport, undersigned residents, business owners, and concerned citizens of Perris, California, respectfully present this petition to the City of Perris, Planning Department, urging you to prioritize safety for the airport and patrons and the validity of the draft EIR when evaluating the Proposed Project adjacent to Perris Valley Airport, particularly the expansion efforts initiated by CH Realty, Inc.

Perris Valley Airport has been a vital asset to our community for the past 90 years. The airport averages 120,000 skydives annually while providing critical training to military from around the world. Additionally, the on-site wind tunnel, restaurant & bar, ultralight club and hot air balloons serve the public. The worldwide customer base have been contributing financially to the local economy far longer than the housing tracts and warehouses. If the City allows us to continue operating in a safe environment, we will be able to remain committed, as always.

We have observed major concerns and substantial inaccuracies in the "Initial Study" and "Notice of Preparation for the Proposed Project" adjacent to Perris Valley Airport. The number one safety issue is the turbulence that will be created from the sheer size and scope of the proposed project to our runway and landing areas. We urge the Planning Department to address and seriously consider the findings of our wind analysis study, as this is the most detrimental part for your determination.

In light of the above concerns, we respectfully request the following:

1. Fair and transparent public hearings to discuss and evaluate the safety and environmental impact.

2. Extensive reviews of the airports comprehensive wind analysis study to assess the impact of wind conditions on skydiving and airport operations and overall safety.

3. A correction of the Initial Study and Notice of Preparation to ensure that all information is accurate and will include the additional studies needed by the airport. These studies will be addressed in the draft process of the EIR.

By conducting a fair and thorough evaluation, the City of Perris would be ensuring the health, welfare and safety of its airport patrons and operations. A safe decision will be to support a responsible and compatible development.

We thank you for your attention to this matter and your commitment safety.

Sincerely,

Name Patrick Lehner

Signature



[Patrick Lehner \(Oct 29, 2023 19:13 PDT\)](#)

Feel free to let the City of Perris know any additional personal concerns:

It is odd that the EIR would go ahead before the FAA's involvement. EIR's are very expensive, FAA clearance first. Perris CA is known world wide due to skydiving plain and simple. Land use and prop rights are important but It is critical that the revenue streams PVS creates continue. Since so much travel is involved in skydiving a significant Amount of tourism dollars are also generated by participants for local hotels, restaurants, and other businesses. Have local hotels and restaurants been asked about this project and its potential impact on their revenue? Unfortunately one of the things that makes drop zones attractive to civilian and military jumpers alike is safety In the form of being free of dangers like buildings that are upwind of the prevailing winds of the airport. As planned the project could quickly begin the labeling of Perris as dangerous and ops will dwindle quickly.







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