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Chairman Saito,

Upon review of the Tuolumne County amendment of Chapter 11 of the Tuolumne County Ordinance Code, I have concerns of the verbiage used in 11.12.040 Cul-de-sacs. My concern was the interpretation of the proposed amendment and the possibility of allowing these dead end roads to extend any further than 5280 feet in length.

In discussion with Duke York, Tuolumne County Community Resources Agency, my concerns were diminished when he explained the longest length a road could be is the length allowed by the largest zoning district. If I understand his interpretation correctly, a road serving multiple parcels with the largest being greater than 20 acres could only have a maximum of 5280 feet in length. In another example, if the largest parcel was 5 acres the longest allowable road length would be 2640 feet, regardless of the number of other parcels the road accesses.

If I am to understand the interpretation correctly, I believe this amendment would serve the citizens of Tuolumne County while also allowing fire services the ingress and egress capabilities necessary for the fuels and topography in the area.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Joshua White'.

Joshua White
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