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From: James and Kimberlee Muenzer, 2276 Cross St., La Canada Flintridge, CA 91011

We live at 2276 Cross St which is the corner of Ocean View and Cross and directly across from the entrance to your Ocean View yard. We have lived here since 1987. Recently the use of your yard has changed drastically. As neighbors we were never notified about or given an opportunity to comment on these changes.



When we first moved here, we considered your Ocean View yard to be a good neighbor. There was infrequent activity. We saw an occasional pickup truck coming and going. There was no dust, no loud sudden noises, no back-up alarms, no trucks blocking the surrounding streets and driveways, and no after-hours work. The frontage along Ocean View was nicely landscaped and maintained.

Things have changed dramatically since those days. Your operations now include all the above activities. We are no longer able to enjoy the peace and serenity of the neighborhood that existed when we first moved in.

We have called the CVWD office several times to ask specifically if anything could be done about the back-up alarms especially after hours (including on at least one occasion at 2:00am). We were told each time that nothing could be done.

One of our major concerns is the use of large tandem dump trucks which are used to deliver material. They frequently block driveways in the neighborhood; the trailers are decoupled and left parked in the street where they are a traffic hazard. It seems only a matter of time before they cause an accident.



Truck parked on Ocean View blocking neighbor's driveway. (above photo)



Dump trailer left in front of our house on Cross St. (above photo)

As mentioned earlier, the frontage strip of your property along Ocean View was landscaped and maintained when we moved here. At some point it was no longer irrigated. Most of the shrubs and several trees died. They were replaced by black plastic that is now in tatters. We recently considered selling our home partly because of how unpleasant your activity is. We were advised by a realtor that if we did so, we would be required to disclose the noise and activity across the street at your yard.



Shrubs and trees were replaced with black plastic. (above photo)

The permits issued in 1983 may not cover or indeed have anticipated the work that is taking place now. However, we can say undeniably that the current operations are monumentally different than they were in 1987. We respectfully request that, out of consideration for the neighborhood, you relocate these activities to a yard where they do not impact a residential neighborhood.

Sincerely,

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