



Stop Yucca Mesa Annexation Coalition

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VIA E-MAIL AND U.S.MAIL

Supervisor Neil Derry (nderry@sbcounty.gov)
San Bernardino County Government Center
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Re: Community of Yucca Mesa Municipal Advisory Council

Dear Supervisor Derry:

Thank you for meeting with the Coalition's representative, Mr. Nick Ballew and Ms. Ann Thompson, Mr. Ballew's Assistant, on Thursday, May 27, 2010. We are pleased that the formation of a Yucca Mesa Municipal Advisory Council as requested by the Coalition formally on January 15, 2010, is still "on the table" and that you want to resolve this issue. It is important to note that our request for a MAC is ONLY for Yucca Mesa and not a regional Homestead Valley MAC as the Communities of Flamingo Heights, Landers, and Johnson Valley have expressed very clearly they do not want a MAC.

Mr. Ballew has reported to us that it is your desire to set up a Roundtable discussion between the Yucca Mesa Improvement Association (YMIA), the Stop Yucca Mesa Annexation Coalition (Coalition), and you. The Coalition will be pleased to attend the Roundtable and expect you to be in attendance. However, in the interests of efficiency and fairness, we would like to set up guidelines and an agenda prior to the Roundtable as follows:

GUIDELINES

1. **Meeting Date:** Meeting date to be no later than June 15, 2010 (except June 10, 2010).
2. **Attendance:**
 - Supervisor Neil Derry
 - Field Representative Alan Rasmussen
 - No more than five (5) YMIA Officers and no more than five (Nick Ballew and his Assistant, Anne Thompson, considered one attendee) Coalition Steering Committee members to be in attendance. No substitutes. All others will be directed to leave the meeting.
 - ALL representatives to the Roundtable MUST reside and vote in Yucca Mesa (exception is Charles McHenry, YMIA President, who resides in Yucca Valley).
 - No outside organizations are to attend the Roundtable; i.e.: the Homestead Valley Community Council (HVCC) or any other community association.

3. **Location for Roundtable:**

The location for the Roundtable meeting to be at Supervisor Derry's Yucca Valley office.

4. Decorum:

- Roundtable discussion may be audio-taped. (Each organization supplies their own audio recorder.)
- Each participant will display professional decorum, respect, and consideration of the other.
- Supervisor Derry and his Field Representative will not show favoritism.
- All participants will stay on agenda topic.
- In the event of uncontrollable disturbance, the Roundtable will be dismissed and rescheduled.

AGENDA

- Decision by Supervisor Derry re Stop Yucca Mesa Annexation Coalition's formal request for the formation of a Yucca Mesa MAC.

Note: All parties have had ample time to investigate the machinations of a MAC and to attend the Joshua Tree Municipal Advisory Council to see a MAC in action. Accordingly, further discussion of the pros and cons of a MAC is not necessary.

Please contact Elizabeth Karman (760-219-7924 or elizabeth.karman@gmail.com) to advise us of the date you are available as quickly as possible so we may schedule this meeting with our Coalition.

Respectfully submitted,

STOP YUCCA MESA ANNEXATION COALITION

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