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As residents of the [REDACTED] of the Springs Specific Plan, we feel strongly that our semi-rural area is inappropriate to be designated a PDA. This is a high fire danger area. There are over 20 homes as well as a 32 bed nursing home on the dead-end side of a proposed 220+ unit development. In the event of a wild fire, timely evacuation would be impossible for those of us in this area. Cal Fire has notified us that our area is a low priority area for aid in the event of a wild fire.

In addition, please consider the following: 1) the entire neighborhood was kept completely in the dark by Permit Sonoma and the district Supervisor for several years regarding our inclusion in the Springs Specific Plan (please see Sonoma County Civil Grand Jury 2020 report). 2) The PDA application was signed in mid-September, 2019 without notification of the residents of our community beforehand. 3) there is insufficient infrastructure for high-density development in this area. Municipal water and sewer resources in the area are already being stressed to their limits. There is no appropriate emergency back-up water supply. 4) There has not been a plan made to address the reduction of greenhouse gasses, and there is no effective current (or planned) public transportation for the area. 5) The Springs Specific Plan is outside the Urban Growth Boundary.

In summary, the above are just a few of the reasons that our area should not be included as one to the 2050 PDAs. Please remove us from the Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint!.

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