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Date: June 28, 2016

To: Placer County Planning Commission From: The League to Save Lake Tahoe

Re: Request to Open Public Comment on Martis Valley West Specific Plan for July 7, 2016

Meeting

## Dear Commissioners,

The League to Save Lake Tahoe (the League) respectfully requests that your commission open the meeting set for July 7, 2016 to public comment. Many of your members had unresolved questions following the Martis Valley West Specific Plan hearing on June 9, 2016. Several concerns as they relate to fire danger, Caltrans road operations, and environmental impacts to the Lake Tahoe Basin were not adequately discussed in the environmental review. These concerns remain following your hearing.

As decision makers for such a large project with significant impacts it is necessary for your concerns to be vetted and resolved. The public must have the ability to respond to questions raised as the project proponent has yet to do so. The League is working diligently to provide information on how the project will impact the North Lake Tahoe region and request to be able to provide public comment on your concerns. It is also critical that Caltrans and regional fire departments be included and invited to speak on other concerns raised.

The role of this commission is not only to approve projects, but to influence them. As advocates for Lake Tahoe, the League asks you to consider this national treasure in your deliberations. Please allow the public to speak in response to your concerns.

Sincerely,
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League to Save Lake Tahoe