

From: Randy Rosness
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Dear supervisors,

We have been observing the expansion by the Chumash Indian tribe here in the Valley over the years. As a citizen with an American Indian background, I can truly relate to both sides of these proceedings. On the one hand, the agreements made to Indian tribes so long ago, were not able to look very far into the complicated, constantly changing culture to come in our country. On the other hand, in an effort to address the tribes and the changes, our current culture/government is essentially allowing Indian tribes to buy back the country! If we look at the evolution and process that has happened in California, and other states, over the last 30 to 40 years, it almost appears as if there is a sort of cultural "blackmail/entitlement/Appeasement" mentality being exchanged. As elected government officials, I believe the electorate, in general, should have your support and protection... a fading perspective in virtually every area of our government, from top to bottom. I, and many other Valley residents, are asking you to please consider the history and future, logically, wisely, and carefully, of the Santa Ynez Valley.

We support you and thank you for your work as supervisors. Not an easy job!

Randy and Sheryl Rosness