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**\*\*Sent via email only\*\***

**FILE NUMBER:** PLN20-003  
**SUBJECT:** Additional Information and Issues of Concern the proposed Camp and Retreat Application  
**SITE LOCATION:** 9201 El Matador Drive, Gilroy, CA 95020 (APN: 756-30-024)

Dear Mr. Nayyar:

Staff has reviewed the application along with policy concerns staff has pointed out in letters dated 8/10/18, 2/19/2021, 6/25/2021, 1/20/2022 and 1/27/2022, Staff is providing an additional concern related to the lack of verification of water supply needed to support the proposed use.

While this information is not an incomplete item and it is not required to deem the application complete for processing, Staff is bringing this to your attention as Staff is having difficulty supporting the project without this information.

The item below is for the Applicant's information only and can be discussed further if desired with County Staff. Below is an excerpt from the County's policies, regulations, findings and guidelines whereby Staff is not able to find consistency with.

### **County Standard and Policies Manual (Volume II)**

Per written policy 1.3.3.B.1 on page I/21, wells shall be "drilled, tested, and certified" prior to Tentative Map or Building Site Approval unless Environmental Health Services has sufficient information on the ground water in the area to justify waiver of this requirement". For reference, please see **Standard and Policies Manual (Volume II) for Water Systems Development**, link can be found in the [Standards and Policies Manual, Volume II \(Water Systems\)](#).

Should the applicant voluntarily choose to provide the information based on the information provided above to better meet the County's Findings, Guidelines and Policies, please let County Staff know. Otherwise, for other questions regarding this letter or the application status, please call me at (408) 299-5791 to discuss by telephone or to schedule an appointment to do so.

Sincerely,



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