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STANISLAUS RIVER WATERSHED			
Kennedy Meadows Planning Unit			
<p>We are opposed to the donation of PG&E’s Kennedy Meadows property to a government agency, which would most certainly impose onerous and unnecessary regulations and restrictions on the operators of the facility. It is important to us that Kennedy Meadows continues to provide the same kind of recreational experiences as they have for the past 90 years. We look forward to our annual trip to “Kennedys” and think it is a great place to relax and enjoy the mountains. We recommend that the property be put into a conservation easement under the management of the Tuolumne County Resources Conservation District. Their Board has voted to become a potential donee, and we feel they, TCRCDC, would do an excellent job of managing the property for everyone’s enjoyment. Thank you for this opportunity to comment on Kennedy Meadow’s future.</p>	<p>Bill & Eloise Spence</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Comment noted. The Stewardship Council is developing an explicit set of criteria that will be used to determine which potential donees are qualified to participate in the disposition process. Qualified conservation easement and fee simple donees will be determined during the disposition process (Volume III). There will be opportunities for the public and stakeholders to engage with the Stewardship Council and other stakeholders on this topic as well as other topics related to the disposition and future management and stewardship of the lands. The Stewardship Council will provide public notice and encourage participation in meetings, workshops, and other appropriate methods of participation in the planning process. As per the Stipulation, conservation easements must honor existing economic uses on the Watershed Lands. In addition, the Stewardship Council has developed potential measures to preserve and enhance the Beneficial Public Values (BPVs) at Kennedy Meadows. Should these potential measures be implemented, they are not expected to negatively affect the pack station or other resources, but rather enhance the facility and BPVs within the planning unit.</p>

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<p>As the tourism promotions agency for Tuolumne County, we are writing this letter to express our concerns regarding the future of Kennedy Meadows Resort and Pack Station. This special place has been a favorite retreat for visitors and locals alike for many generations. It is not only unique to our region and to the State of California, it is unlike any destination on the Planet! Since 1917 Kennedy Meadows has provided “a step back in time” where relaxation and recreation continue at an unhurried pace in a setting of incomparable beauty. This resort’s colorful history actually dates back to the 1850’s when the Clark-Skidmore Party stopped with their covered wagons in route to the California gold fields. Over the years the operators of Kennedy Meadows have done an excellent job of caring for this beautiful and rustic resort as well as the land it occupies. Matt Bloom and his predecessor, Willie Ritts, have dedicated themselves to the preservation of our wilderness experience while providing professional guides for fishing, camping and horseback riding in the Emigrant. Our organization strongly supports the recommendation that the Stewardship Council appoint the Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District as manager of this conservation easement. It would be unthinkable to lose this treasured and timeless resort which for generations, has provided enjoyment to so many. Thank you in advance for your consideration of our support for this recommendation.</p>	<p>Nanci Sikes, Executive Director Tuolumne County Visitors Bureau</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Comment noted. The Stewardship Council is developing an explicit set of criteria that will be used to determine which potential donees are qualified to participate in the disposition process. Qualified conservation easement and fee simple donees will be determined during the disposition process (Volume III). There will be opportunities for the public and stakeholders to engage with the Stewardship Council and other stakeholders on this topic as well as other topics related to the disposition and future management and stewardship of the lands. The Stewardship Council will provide public notice and encourage participation in meetings, workshops, and other appropriate methods of participation in the planning process. As per the Stipulation, conservation easements must honor existing economic uses on the Watershed Lands. In addition, the Stewardship Council has developed potential measures to preserve and enhance the Beneficial Public Values (BPVs) at Kennedy Meadows. Should these potential measures be implemented, they are not expected to negatively affect the pack station or other resources, but rather enhance the facility and BPVs within the planning unit.</p>

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<p>Kennedy Meadows has been a part of our family tradition for at least 30 years. The possibility of Kennedy Meadows being forced to change the ways that we have come to appreciate over the years troubles me greatly. I know of no other place that our family can go where we can enjoy the way of life that we do at Kennedy. Matt has continued the tradition as passed down to him. Please do everything that you can to ensure that Kennedy will not be forced to change its ways. I would love to see Kennedy maintained by Matt as he has over the years. I would not like to see Kennedy fall into the hands of the U.S. Forest Service.</p>	<p>Rhonda Sharp</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Comment noted. The Stewardship Council is developing an explicit set of criteria that will be used to determine which potential donees are qualified to participate in the disposition process. Qualified conservation easement and fee simple donees will be determined during the disposition process (Volume III). There will be opportunities for the public and stakeholders to engage with the Stewardship Council and other stakeholders on this topic as well as other topics related to the disposition and future management and stewardship of the lands. The Stewardship Council will provide public notice and encourage participation in meetings, workshops, and other appropriate methods of participation in the planning process. As per the Stipulation, conservation easements must honor existing economic uses on the Watershed Lands. In addition, the Stewardship Council has developed potential measures to preserve and enhance the Beneficial Public Values (BPVs) at Kennedy Meadows. Should these potential measures be implemented, they are not expected to negatively affect the pack station or other resources, but rather enhance the facility and BPVs within the planning unit.</p>

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