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San Mateo County Board of Supervisors  
Honorable Ted Lempert, President  
County Government Building  
401 Marshall Street  
Redwood City, CA 94063

Re: Facilitation of MidCoast Devil's Slide Positions  
Proposal by Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center

Dear President Lempert:

The MidCoast has suffered tremendously since the January closure of the highway at Devil's Slide. We have suffered in decreased business and increased traffic congestion. The issue has put our community at odds with itself as we discuss the issue daily and at each of our public meetings.

We have no larger issue. Highway One, Devil's Slide has become emblematic of the burning issues on the MidCoast: traffic, congestion, road safety, growth, controlled development, schooling. It has an affect on everything we do, and our neighbors, Pacifica and Half Moon Bay.

In each of the Council meetings this year, we have had an outpouring of comment about the slide. We've listened to Cal Trans speakers, Tunnel advocates, ByPass proponents, and many others. The Council felt it important to come together as a Community and to explore our own feelings, ideas, and solutions about the Slide.

Recognizing our fragmentation, we invited Ms. Brown and Ms. Barden from the Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center to come, discuss our situation, and to help us find our voice. We had an open and frank dialogue about what we hoped to accomplish and what would be the costs. Enclosed is a copy of their proposal.

The Council voted unanimously to recommend the PCRC as a tool for us to work towards consensus, if they could hold their costs to under \$700.00, - which they have. We ask that the Board of Supervisors authorize this expenditure of funds.

Very truly yours,

James Marsh  
Chair, MidCoast Community Council  
cc Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center