My family and I moved to 20117 Zimmerman Place in 1998, and we want to voice our concerns and opposition about turning camp Scott/Scudder into a Youth Treatment Facility.

Barry J Nidorf Juvenile Hall in Sylmar is a much better location. Not only is it closer to the freeway which allows easier and faster routes for family members to visit, which is at least 25 minutes each way, but there are numerous other reasons such as.

- 1. They are already they, while they spend most of their time in pre and post adjudication status.
- 2. Since they are already there, this option is least disruptive to their care and supervision.
- 3. Nidorf is being used until Campus Kilpatrick is updated. Why change it??????
- 4. Using Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile Hall is the housing solution that makes the most sense from a practical and <u>FINANCIAL</u> perspective, due to the fact LA County and its board <u>MUST</u> renovate Barry J. Nidorf so that it's suitable to confine these minors, as declared by the CA Board of State and Community Corrections. If we use Nidorf we're not starting from ground Zero.

Why spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on a facility that's **not** large enough and still **won't** work, when that money can be used to update Nidorf, again the place where the youth are already utilizing. You will be using Taxpayer's dollars to renovate one of these camps and we should have a say! Again, why would you spend hundreds of thousand of dollars at Camp Scott/Scudder which would be temporary, just to turn around and spend more of our tax dollars all over again to renovate Nidorf.

All youth with a juvenile justice case – not just DJJ youth – are currently housed at Nidorf and spend most of their time there. They spend years there, not months, just like DJJ youth will need to. So, selecting Nidorf benefits many more youth since they ALL would have access to a newly updated, trauma-informed facility designed just for them. Selecting Nidorf to house DJJ youth is a solution that works for the greater good.

I urge/beg you to PLEASE reconsider using Camp Scudder/Scott for housing these violent criminals. Barry J Nidorf Juvenile Hall in Sylmar is a much better location not Camp Scudder/Scott for so many reasons, especially **financially**.

Sincerely

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