

RE: September 16, 2021 Meeting  
Agenda Item V. Public Comments

We're residents of Santa Clarita within walking distance to Camps Scott and Scudder which are being considered as a permanent location for "serious offenders". Placing "serious offenders" at these camps presents a **significant deviation** from the former use of these facilities prior to closure. Juveniles considered "troubled youth" were adjudicated to either foster homes or a Camp for much lesser offenses such as shoplifting, prostitution, and drug use or drug possession. Those who committed crimes at the level of "**serious offenders**", **basically violent crimes against persons including the ultimate offense of taking a life were placed into the California Youth Authority, basically a juvenile prison, with high security.**

Proposing to place "serious offenders" nearby any residential neighborhood is a **tremendous extreme change**. Having males ranging from their teens to mid twenties convicted of murder, rape, child molestation, kidnapping, assault, arson, and other sex crimes so close to our homes, our family, our children, without dialogue is not acceptable on any level.

**The local residents nearby the camps are equally important. The potential to impose extreme change without community input is reckless.**

We urge you to collaborate with transparency with the City of Santa Clarita and the residents of Santa Clarita, as it is the residents and business owners that will be impacted should Camps Scott and Scudder ultimately be recommended as a permanent location for the "serious offenders".

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