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To whom it may concern:

I am opposed to the World Logistics Center in Moreno Valley.

I have been a resident of Moreno Valley since 1997 and purchased my home after the general plan and zoning for my area. I SHOP Moreno Valley to support our city base, and volunteer on a regular basis with non-profit organizations of many types to encourage people to move here, but no more. Long time residents who can't move are doing so as they feel that the City Council has sold us out. Unfortunately, I don't know that I'll be able to afford to move so will suffer all the negative impacts the project will force on me.

I attended meetings when the new general plan was being developed. Residents and employees from throughout Moreno Valley participated in the process and came up with a well balanced general plan. This plan included a new high school at the eastern edge of the city as well as keeping the zoning for large lots and animal keeping. It was a well thought out plan that was for the benefit of the residents and the city. That plan and zoning changed once already to accommodate the Sketchers Warehouse. Mr. Benzeevi made promises to the residents and city council in order to get that change and as Mr. Benzeevi did not fulfill his promises (beautiful freeway landscape, many jobs for residents, the designated trail system etc). As most interested parties know, Mr. Benzeevi has been very active in supplying funds to elect officials that will support him and has been instrumental in getting people removed who oppose his plans. Completely charlatan general plan after all the hard work and cost goes against the residents and who is not honorable.

Many studies have been done that link diesel fumes with increased breathing problems especially with children and elderly people. Studies also show that there is a link between air quality and health (Press Enterprise last week). Mira Loma has some of the worst air quality in the Inland Empire and the Inland Empire is a basin that traps particulate matter and damages our health. Look at all the studies provided by CEQE. It makes no sense to create such a large warehouse district in that area which is surrounded by mountains. Particulate matter travels quite far and will affect all the surrounding communities as well especially

afternoon winds occur.

Additionally that location is unsuitable for increased numbers of trucks as the freeway narrows and winds thru the badlands to meet up with I-10. Accidents in either direction basically close down the narrow freeway, trapping commuters and forcing truck drivers into residential neighborhoods to find alternate routes. Cities off the I-10 are concerned with Mr. Benzeevi and have stated in a recent Press Enterprise article that their district would be a suitable location for a mega-warehouse district. There is also a concern there, Does that mean we'll be having 2 mega-warehouses within a short distance of each other? High volume truck traffic on narrow winding roads such as Redlands Blvd, Timeteo Canyon, 60 Fwy east of Moreno Beach, Gilman Hot Springs etc is dangerous and should be taken into account when this project is examined. The residential areas are not designed for truck traffic and the city will not be able to afford to keep up with the maintenance needed.

Having a mega-warehouse district this far removed from rail line also does not make sense and again, this area was not planned for warehouses. Changes in the Port of LA will lessen the amount of cargo coming through LA not increase it. Why would anyone want to truck to a warehouse so far from a rail line and then move it again by train? Economics says they won't.

Proponents of the warehouses keep touting high paying jobs and yet we all know that warehouses are automated now requiring fewer employees than ever- and the jobs for regular workers are not high paying. Mr. Benzeevi highly exaggerated the job creation. Sketchers always said they would be bringing their Ontario employees which would create a few new jobs. The residents were proven correct when the jobs didn't materialize. Additionally during construction, liens were filed because of non-payment to subcontractors and non-union electricians were used and the work had to be re-done by union electricians. Are we going to have the same broken promises and shoddy business if this project goes through?

And lastly, how can a project of this magnitude be approved and allowed to go forward in a wildlife preserve? Pollution effects on wildlife can be even more severe than the effects on humans.

I realize the City Council of Moreno Valley has basically rubber stamped and approved the project before all the proper procedures were followed as demonstrated by their actions last year. It's unfortunate that they are putting the wants of one person, Mr. Benzeevi, over the residents of Moreno Valley and surrounding cities who will all suffer if this project is allowed. I'll never understand this type of greed and dereliction of duty.

Thank you for allowing me to submit this in opposition to the World Logistics C  
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