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Brian L. Martin Sheriff / Coroner

December 31, 2018

To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter to express our support for the continued placement of cell sites throughout Lake County. Public Safety agencies now rely heavily on wireless communications in the county, and we have noticed that cell & data speeds in many areas of the county are far below reliable standards, and in some areas, nearly non-existent. My own residential cellular service in the incorporated area of the County is one of those areas with nearly non-existent coverage. As the Undersheriff for the Sheriff's Office, I'm on call 24/7 so being accessible in emergencies has always been an issue. In addition, I am the Deputy Director of Emergency Services for Lake County and often times deal with natural disasters and report to the County's Emergency Operations Center. With the limited cellular service in Lake County, needless to say, public safety suffers tremendously, when the first responders have inadequate cellular service.

I have had the privilege to work side by side with Verizon Wireless and AT&T teams, and have seen firsthand their commitment to serve our residents and first responders during the Rocky, Jerusalem, Valley, Clayton, Sulphur, Pawnee and Mendocino Complex Fires from 2015 to 2018, as well as the Winter Storms of 2017. Verizon Wireless consistently goes above and beyond to assist in any way they can.

As earlier mentioned the public safety agencies in Lake County rely on cell phone and high speed data communications for command and control during fires, to contact crime victims, witnesses and reporting parties, as well as remote ambulance patient monitoring in route to hospital emergency rooms. We also rely on high speed data communications for our in car computer systems. It seems that the vast majority of 911 calls are now made on cell phones. The need for a reliable, survivable high speed wireless infrastructure throughout Lake County is vital and I strongly support the placement of cell sites in and around the county.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have.

Respectfully,

Chris J. Macedo Undersheriff County of Lake

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Brian Martin Sheriff

October 27, 2016

County of Lake Community Development Department 255 N. Forbes Street, Third Floor, Rm 323 Lakeport, CA 95453

RE: ComSites West's Cache Creek Communications Facility Proposal at 20622 State Hwy 20, Clearlake Oaks, CA.

To Whom It May Concern:

The Lake County Sheriff's Office is consistently working to improve its radio communications coverage throughout Lake County. The Lake County Sheriff's Office has determined there is a need to improve its two-way radio coverage along State Hwy 20 between Highway 16 and 53. The Lake County Sheriff's Office would be interested in locating a two-way public safety radio repeater system at the proposed ComSites West Cache Creek site if the project is approved by the County of Lake.

Respectfully,

Chris Macedo

Chris Macedo Undersheriff

#### DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL

P.O. Box 942898 Sacramento, CA 94298 (916) 843-4200 (800) 735-2929 (TT/TDD) (800) 735-2922 (Voice)



October 16, 2017

File No.: 047.15834.A14803.ComSites-West/Cache Creek

Re: ComSites West, potential Cache Creek site

To Whom It May Concern:

The California Highway Patrol (CHP) wishes to express its interest to potentially locate communications equipment on the wireless collocation site that ComSites is proposing known as Cache Creek. The CHP has successfully worked with ComSites on several other sites in California. Provided this site can be developed substantially as ComSites is proposing, the CHP would be interested in becoming a tenant of ComSites West at this site as well.

The CHP provides critical law enforcement and life-safety services to travelers along the State's highways, as well as to members of the communities along those highways. The enhancement to the CHP's wireless communication capability that the ComSites West Cache Creek site would provide will greatly assist the CHP in performing its public service mission.

Please consider this letter as an expression of the CHP's support for this project. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Theresa Campbell at (916) 843-4265, or via email at ThCampbell@chp.ca.gov.

Sincerely

J.V. HORSTMAN, Captain

Commander

Telecommunications Section

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CC:

Tori Joines, CHP

Theresa Campbell, CHP

Charlie Feick, ComSites West



### **Mark Roberts**

From:

Chris Macedo

Sent:

September 06, 2017 5:00 PM

To:

Mark Roberts

Cc:

Willie Sapeta; Teresa Jolin; Brian Martin; Jay Beristianos

Subject:

**RE: Cell Tower Question** 

#### Mark,

Thank you for the information. I have been aware of this project since October 2016. I along with the Lake County Fire Protection District Chief Willie Sapeta and Northshore Fire Protection District Chief Jay Beristianos are supportive of this project as the proposed site is designed with both broadband cellular and public safety in mind. The applicant, ComSites West owns and operates a number of sites throughout Northern CA all of which provide for a public safety presence. We face significant challenges in Lake County when it comes to radio reception and broadband coverage. We believe the proposed Cache Creek project will help improve both two-way radio reception and broadband coverage on the Highway 20 corridor near the Lake and Colusa County lines.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further question.

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From: Mark Roberts

Sent: Wednesday, September 06, 2017 1:51 PM

To: Chris Macedo

Subject: RE: Cell Tower Question

Hi Chris,

Be more than happy to.

# **Project Summary**

The applicant is requesting approval of a Major Use Permit, UP 17-03 to construct, operate and manage an unmanned 170 foot lattice wireless telecommunication tower with supporting ground equipment. The maximum height allowed is 150 feet but the applicant is proposing an additional 20 foot tall VHF Master RX whip for public safety systems. The proposed lattice tower would consist up to four (4) major wireless network

### **Timothy Miller**

From:

Bierwirth, Daniel@Parks [Daniel.Bierwirth@parks.ca.gov]

Sent:

Wednesday, November 09, 2016 5:36 PM

To:

Charlie Feick

Subject:

Cache Creek site development

### **Good Morning Charlie:**

Please consider this email an official letter of interest in developing a Public Safety repeater site at the proposed Cache Creek tower sight. The Cache Creek Canyon is a poor reception area and this sight would be an ideal location to establish a repeater sight, and would vastly improve our ability to communicate with our Peace Officers as they traverse that area. Please keep me informed of your progress towards completion.

Daniel (Dan) Bierwirth
Telecommunication Systems Manager (infrastructure)
Ca Department of Parks and Recreation
Law Enforcement and Emergency Services Division
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Leadership consists of nothing but taking responsibility for everything that goes wrong and giving your subordinates credit for everything that goes well.

Dwight D. Eisenhower, 34th US president





