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El paso County Board of Commissioners,

I am inquiring to find out if the above mentioned 'Land Use' meeting is going to be about allowing heavy industry, a cement batch plant, to be built in the area of Falcon Hwy & Curtis.

When I contacted your office previously I was told that the Board of Commissioners held no meeting and that if I had seen anything it had to be "the company interested in building there holding their own meeting".

I have been told that the September 6 meeting on Land Use is to have public input on this proposal. Is this correct?

If so HOW DARE YOU! Those of us who actually live out here have jobs. Jobs that mostly make us work, at least from the hours of 8am to 5pm. Is that what you want? That we either don't get paid to drive all the way downtown to maybe not even be allowed to speak, or just have to put up with what you all decide?

Please move this meeting to a non-Holiday Weekend or to a time when working people can attend it, AND Announce the meeting in at least the falcon herald or somewhere else so it doesn't look like you are attempting to hide it.

In addition to the insane truck drivers, massive traffic increase and the hazards they cause on these narrow rural roads to other drivers, livestock, humans and pets there are also the health hazards caused by the plant itself, hazards that have been well documented.

You may have noted how windy and dry it is out here in the falcon area, conditions that are excellent to spread dust, not only the naturally occurring dust but also the toxic dust created by a cement batch plant. And as I am, if for the first

time warning you of this as County Board Commissioners you will have to research this issue for yourself and not just accept the companies word that they will be safe.

I will list a few of the KNOWN issues caused by being forced to live near a cement batch plant all can be confirmed with environmental health and medical doctors.

1. Increased incidence of respiratory tract Cancers
2. Acute lower respiratory infections in young children
3. Accumulation of toxic metals in children
4. Increase in mortality rates

With just those top 4 stated issues on top of having speeding heavily loaded trucks on narrow rural roads I and all of my neighbors are 100% against this.

Please move the meeting to a date and time where working people can attend and out to the affected location, somewhere in Falcon where we can get to after work without having to take a pay cut.

Respectfully,

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