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City of Wheatland Community Development Department 111 C Street Wheatland, CA 95692

Dear Bill Zenoni and Tim Raney:

I am writing this letter to state my strong support for the Caliterra Ranch Project. The Caliterra Ranch Project includes an approximately 1.5-acre site located at the corner of Wheatland Road and Wheatland Park Drive for a future Wheatland Fire Station.

As Fire Chief, my foremost priority is ensuring the safety and well-being of all residents within the City of Wheatland. The addition of this fire station site is a crucial step forward in improving our response times and overall emergency services in the western part of the City of Wheatland. Currently, response times to this area can be significantly impacted by State Route 65 and the railroad.

The strategic location of the future fire station will allow us to significantly reduce response times, improving our ability to protect lives, property, and the environment in the event of a fire or emergency. This is particularly important as the western area of the City continues to grow, both in terms of residential development and overall population density.

I believe this development, with its planned fire station, will serve as a model for future residential growth, emphasizing both the importance of public safety and the foresight required to ensure that infrastructure keeps pace with urban expansion. This proactive approach is exactly what we need to support a safe and vibrant community.

I fully endorse this development and its inclusion of a future fire station site, and I look forward to working with the developers and city officials to make this vision a reality.

Sincerely,

Art Paquette Fire Chief

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