

79 Almenar Drive
Greenbrae,CA

September 8, 2016

Jocelyn Drake
Marin County Planning Department

Dear Ms. Drake:

I have lived on Almenar Drive in Greenbrae for 49 years, directly above Marin Catholic High School.

On many days I have listened to the cheers on the loud speakers of athletic events at the school. I know how important sports are to young people (as my 3 children all played sports in high school) and enthusiastically encourage them.

But now Marin Catholic wants to put in a lighting system that will allow games and other activities in the evening. I draw the line there because with lights and amplified noise, I would now have noise up to 10:00 PM at nights. That would be invasive to my life and the residents in my community. Our former supervisor, Hal Brown, had voted against this proposal in the past and no other high school in Southern Marin has been able to put lights on their fields because it affects the quality of life in their communities.

There is another issue and that is traffic. Sir Francis Drake is now the most heavily trafficked thoroughfare in Marin County and this proposal would only increase the number of cars on the road. I strongly encourage you to vote against this proposal. It's a bad plan for homeowners in the lower Ross Valley area.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Barbara Leopold

cc: Preserve Ross Valley