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Dear Members of the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors,

I am following up on my public comments regarding the ongoing neglect of road maintenance in the Los Gatos Mountains. While I appreciate the opportunity to address the council, I want to reiterate the urgency of this issue and request concrete action to improve our community's infrastructure.

As I mentioned in my remarks, roads such as Summit Road and Villa del Monte remain in hazardous conditions, posing significant risks to residents, commuters, and emergency services. Rather than long-term repairs, we have seen patchwork solutions and temporary fixes—such as a "Rough Road" sign placed outside a local school, which remains unchanged after months. Additionally, relying on residents to mark problem areas for repairs is not a fair or sustainable approach.

The consequences of this neglect are real: prolonged commutes, vehicle damage, and, most importantly, safety risks. Students like myself must leave much earlier than our peers simply to navigate unsafe roads, and emergency responders face dangerous delays. This is not just an inconvenience; it is a public safety issue that requires immediate attention.

I urge the county to take the following steps:

1. **Develop a Long-Term Maintenance Plan** – A structured, proactive approach to road repairs is essential to prevent continued deterioration.
2. **Allocate Fair Funding for Infrastructure Repairs** – Mountain roads should receive the same level of attention and investment as other areas in the county.
3. **Improve Storm Recovery Efforts** – Roads should not remain damaged for months after storms. A dedicated response plan is necessary for timely repairs.
4. **Enhance Communication with Residents** – Clear timelines and updates on planned repairs will help rebuild trust between the county and our community.

Los Gatos Mountain residents contribute to the county's economy and tax base like everyone else, and we deserve safe, drivable roads. I would appreciate a response outlining how the county plans to address these concerns and how residents can be involved in the process.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to your response.

Best regards,
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