

## **Bruno, Stacey**

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**From:** Crosthwaite, Joyce  
**Sent:** Monday, June 27, 2016 10:28 AM  
**To:** Bruno, Stacey  
**Subject:** FW: Trabuco Canyon Little League Loudspeaker Request for Wagon Wheel Sports Park

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 24, 2016 7:01 PM  
**To:** Crosthwaite, Joyce <joyce@smwd.com>  
**Subject:** Trabuco Canyon Little League Loudspeaker Request for Wagon Wheel Sports Park

Joyce Crosthwaite  
Assistant to the General Manager  
Santa Margarita Water District

Yesterday we received a letter from you confirming that the Trabuco Canyon Little League has requested a waiver of the prohibition of the use of loudspeakers at the Wagon Wheel Sports Park numerous times during the period July 2 through July 11, 2016.

As homeowners living on Panorama in Coto de Caza, we are categorically opposed to the granting of this request.

As you are aware, this land on which the sports park is located was originally owned by Coto de Caza and was deeded to the Santa Margarita Water District with certain restrictions. As a result, the terms of the sports leagues' lease with the Santa Margarita Water District specifically prohibits the use of lights or any use of loudspeakers at the sports park. This park borders the homes located on Panorama and the non-amplified noise from sports activities throughout the year is loud enough without the use of loudspeakers. The homeowners who have purchased homes in Coto de Caza have done so to live in a peaceful and well maintained community. While we know that there needs to be appropriate space made available for children to participate in organized sports, and we applaud those who volunteer their time as coach and supportive parents, we do not believe we should be subjected to the use of amplified loudspeakers which is specifically prohibited.

We are concerned that once a variance is granted for this so called "one time" use of loudspeakers, the little league, and all other sports leagues that use the sports park for that matter, will want to use loudspeakers throughout the year at tournaments and other events. Granting this variance is in opposition to your lease with the little league and not in accord with your agreement with the Coto de Caza Homeowners Association.

The Trabuco Canyon Little League has previously attempted to obtain approval to install lights which would shine into the homes of homes on Panorama and that request was soundly rejected by the Coto de Caza Homeowners Association. The current request to use loudspeakers should be rejected by the Santa Margarita Water District, as it is also specifically prohibited. They knew the terms of their lease when they agreed to host the tournament, knowing full well that the use of loudspeakers is specifically prohibited. They will either need to find another location or proceed without the use of loudspeakers.

We are very concerned that your communication on this subject was sent to the affected homeowners so close to the scheduled date of the meeting to review this request –this coming Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 a.m. Although we plan to attend the meeting, I am concerned that it may be difficult for many of my neighbors will find it very difficult to reschedule at this late date to be able to attend. Shouldn't there have been more notice provided and the meeting be scheduled at a more convenient time? Also, as was the case with the previous request to add lights on the fields, beyond a review by the Santa Margarita Water District, doesn't this request also require the specific approval of the Coto de Caza Homeowners Association?

For all the reasons listed above, we oppose the granting of this request by the Trabuco Canyon Little League and expect you to follow the terms of your lease and reject their request for the use of loudspeakers at the Wagon Wheel Sports Park.

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