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Mr. Johnson,

On behalf of the Palomar Observatory I would like to take this opportunity to comment on the Granite Liberty Quarry – Analysis of Potential Light Impacts document. I appreciate the intent of the study and the opportunity to comment on it.

The project is located in Riverside County very near the border of San Diego County. It is obvious from reading the document that the outdoor lighting proposed does conform to both San Diego County's Light Pollution Code (Division 9, Sections 59.101--59.115) and Riverside County's Light Pollution Ordinance (No. 655).

The observatory values the project's efforts to conform to the light pollution ordinances. This helps to preserve dark skies, allowing the observatory to continue its astronomical research.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'W. Scott Kardel', is written over a light green circular stamp.

W. Scott Kardel
Palomar Observatory