A NEW THREAT:
We’ve learned that another developer has nasty plans for Sky Valley -- plans that we will definitely want to oppose. Briefly put, a developer from Carlsbad, CA is proposing a 50-acre RV park on land west of Wide Canyon and between 18th and Paradise. This is R1 land, but the developer has applied for a “CHANGE OF ZONE FOR PHASED CONSTRUCTION OF 242 RV LOTS.” Yes, that's 242.

They will be presenting their plan to our Community Council at the September 10 meeting, and a spokesperson will speak on behalf of the SVHOA, saying that we will adamantly oppose any plan for more than one residence per 5-acre parcel of R1 or RA land anywhere in Sky Valley.

We will report the results of that meeting to members by email, and at the HOA meeting on September 19, and in our October Newsletter. However, we urge each of you who can to come to both those meetings; the Council meeting to get first-hand information on this threat (and optionally to speak), and the HOA meeting to participate in planning our opposition.

INDIVIDUAL HOMEOWNER LETTER
By Tony Brunner
The Homeowners Association has written to Supervisor Perez in opposition to the proposed RV Park on 18th Ave. and on Wide Canyon Rd. The Association’s letter to the Supervisor is by its nature an “official to official” type of letter. So we invite individual homeowners to write in much more personal terms in support of our opposition.

An individual letter has a lot more impact than a signature on a prewritten template letter, so below are a few bullet point suggestions as to what you might say. You may well have other things to add and we certainly encourage that.

Just write from your heart and address your letter to:
V. Manuel Perez, Supervisor
73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 222
Palm Desert, CA 92260

Some of the things you might mention or elaborate on are:

- I have learned of the proposed RV park on Wide Canyon Road, which is contrary to the zoning plan, and oppose it because ... 
- Sky Valley quality of life (why I like it here).
- We welcome people here to enjoy the quality of life Sky Valley offers - but on our terms please.
- We came here to enjoy the Sky Valley lifestyle that is really founded on the promise to us in the County Plan that it would not be changed. Don’t let us down.
- The proposed plan would result in our wildlife being fenced off from a considerable acreage of their range.
- Please don’t let there be another dent in our rural lifestyle.
- We don’t need yet more big RV traffic and more heavy vehicle wear and tear on Wide Canyon or Dillon Road. They are not designed for it. We don’t need yet more burden on water and power and other infrastructure.
- More impact on our Dark Skies
- We just don’t want any more big development here. There is plenty as it is.

And please show this to any of your neighbors who may not be members of the Association and encourage them to write too.