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The Agenda cited lists:

V. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

- A. Four Seasons Estates (Granlibakken) / AT&T Telecommunications Facility, 725 Granlibakken Road, Tahoe City, Placer County, CA; Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs): 095-510-049, 095-510-002 & 095-510-003; TRPA File No.: ERSP2021-1636
- B. Tahoe Truckee Unified School District (North Tahoe High School) / AT&T Telecommunications Facility, 2949 Polaris Road, Tahoe City, Placer County, CA; Assessor's Parcel Number (APN): 093-010-015; TRPA File No.: ERSP2021-1948

With regard to both of these items I fully incorporate by reference the comments of Thoe Colborn of environmental health trust dated 9/8/2023 6:22:17 PM.

1. Andrew Strain has been disqualified as a Hearing Officer for cellular facilities due to conflicts of interest and bias towards the wireless industry. He is similarly disqualified to serve for the scited hearings and should recuse himself if he is not outright relieved of duty by TRPA.as conflicted before another sham hearing is held on wireless facilities.
2. TRPA must do an Environmental Impact Statement before approving any new cell tower in the Tahoe region for all the adverse health and environmental effects detailed by Ms. Colborn and other commenters.
3. The facility proposed in 5.B. is a monopine tower, which is known to shed plastics and microplastics. Microplastics are known to be affecting Lake Tahoe from a variety of monopine and other plastic waste sources, including marina docks and peirs TRPA, The Tahoe Regional Plastics Agency, has approved without examining the impacts on threatened fish species. The mitigation measures proposed for plastic wastes do not mitigate effect levels to insignificant levels nor do they comply with prohibitions against waste discharges in the Water Quality Control Plan for the Lahontan Region concerning toxic wastes, industrial wastes (plastics) and discharges of wastes to land that the TRPA Compact requires the TRPA to implement. TRPA must do an Environmental Impact Statement prior to approving any more industrial sources of plastic associated with the wireless monopine macrotower industry, or ban them outright with prejudice.
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5. TRPA is unscientific with regard to its project approvals here, ignoring all science and reason in a misguided effort to promote the wireless roll-out in the Lake Tahoe Region. It is demonstrably incapable of learning, and is an environmental failure as an agency in protecting the environment and people from the rapacious wireless industry it so strongly supports.

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