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Hi there,

I am a 27 year old female living in the Bay Area with my husband. We love our weekends that we spend on the pismo dunes...there is nothing quite as American and free as pulling up on the sand and seeing all those flags and just pulling up to park. Everyone there is family, helping others out of the sand and happy. When we go, we spend well over \$1,000 on a standard weekend trip on food, gas, rentals and so much more. The pismo dunes are a huge source of revenue to the community and provide so much more than jobs, it's a lifestyle.

While I understand the concern of the residents, the dunes do not belong to them. The dunes represent America - belonging to all to share in the joy. Could you imagine if those living close to Yosemite wanted to shut down access roads because of emissions and so only they could enjoy? I'm so confused why these residents are able to have so much authority.

Also - why is there an initiative to restore back to the "1930s"? Really? That's not how life works....the western frontiers were full of wild buffalo, no going back now! It's called progress and life, it's dynamic and changing.

If you shut down the dunes, your are destroying the economics of your city. You are destroying the American dream.

Please reconsider and keep the dunes open!

Thank you,

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