

For many years the families of the oasis of Todos Santos, Baja California Sur, have lived in happy balance with the whales, the turtles, the fish and birds, the Sierra, palm groves, beaches, lagoons, and the sand dunes that protect us. **AN AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY WANTS TO CHANGE THAT.** They intend to build more than 80 houses on top of our fragile sand dunes. They have paid for studies and reports to convince you that it is not only safe to build on the dunes, but no harm will come to the turtle nesting sites, that there is water enough for all, and that waste is no problem. They also want the locals to think they will be offered jobs. **THESE ARE ALL LIES!** We have learned lessons from having seen the results of this type of development in other places before. Besides profiting from misleading innocent buyers that it is possible to build on sand dunes, the only thing they will accomplish is to destroy our dunes and the magic of Todos Santos.

Respected ecological organizations like Surf Rider, Natural Resource Defense Council, Nature Conservancy, Trust for Public Land, Wilderness Conservancy, Pro-Peninsula, Wildcoast International, to name a few, are on record as opposing this type of development for the irreversible devastation it creates.

The national and international community of Todos Santos wishes to declare our support for the unique natural resources and environment of our region. We do not oppose sensible development that takes place with intelligence and integrity. Because our local economy is so closely connected to the beautiful, unusual natural features of our oasis, dunes, desert and mountains, it is imperative that no development be allowed to endanger these resources! We cannot permit the economy of Todos Santos to be put in jeopardy.

We must think of tomorrow today!

Please help us to stop the threat of such harmful development. It is our goal to create a commission comprised of members of the Todos Santos community along with representatives of the Federal, State and Municipal governments. We demand that you suspend all development on the Todos Santos Dunes until a comprehensive Master Plan is approved on the Federal, State and Municipal level. Together we can move forward with a thoughtful and thorough Plan for the future of our unique village. We need your help to make this a reality.

It is in your hands to stop any destruction of our precious ecosystem before it is too late!

Be a part of protecting our rare and irreplaceable Pacific Oasis for future generations!