

To BAPA Members

Well, it didn't take long for the threat to Briones access became a reality. As most of you already know Ron Knarr has blocked the EBMUD gate at Echo Springs with barbed wire. And yesterday he reinforced his barrier with more wire, including at the rancher's gate and fence at the entrance to Briones. He also tore up the steps built by Rick Biro to the right of the gate. We expect Knarr to install a more hardened barrier in the near future.

We are still attempting to meet with Ron and his attorney to work to mitigate his concerns and find a workable solution. We respect his right to build his house and want to address the issues of privacy, liability and safety. If we are unable to arrive at a solution that acknowledges our easement rights, however, we will be forced to take appropriate legal action in the immediate future.

At the request of several BAPA members we are attaching a Memorandum from our attorney, Drew Bassak providing background information and a more detailed update on the current position of our case. Also attached are the two letters we have sent to Ron and his attorney and the attorney's response. We want to be transparent with all members of BAPA, but to preserve the privileged nature of the memorandum, please do not share this email outside of your household. If you know of other neighbors you feel would become members of BAPA and would like this information, ask me to reach out to them with the memorandum rather than forwarding it yourself to help maintain the confidentiality of the memo.

Thank you for your continued support for a worthwhile cause benefitting the many neighbors who value our continued access to Briones for all of our well-being.

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