Public Correspondence.

Hi Brian:

I read the June 26, 2025, Oak Park MAC CSA 4 Landscape Committee Report with great interest, especially the statement:

"Overall, CSA 4 landscaping looks particularly good. There were no irrigation breaks during the month of June."

Frankly, this comment is out of touch with the actual condition of our neighborhood. It's clear that whoever made this observation has not walked or inspected key parts of the Oak Park area. Let me share just a few examples of what residents' see every day:

- Kanan & Golden Eagle: The irrigation at this intersection hasn't functioned in months. Weeds are now dying from lack of water and maintenance. This is not what "looking good" means. This is one of the Gateways from Thousand Oaks to Oak Park.
- Golden Eagle Drive: Multiple spots have mud building up on sidewalks due to malfunctioning sprinklers or broken irrigation. It's both a safety hazard and a sign of neglect. We have discussed this before
- Kanan Road near Valley View Park: Moss is growing on the sidewalks—again, due to poor sprinkler maintenance and standing water issues.
- Kanan & Golden Eagle Stoplight: This signal has been broken for 6 to 8 weeks, with only a temporary asphalt/plywood patch covering a trench. Where are the crews to fix this? What is the repair timeline?

These are not small oversights. They reflect a broader issue of inaction and a disconnect between official reports and on-the-ground reality. The lack of responsiveness from **Supervisor Jeff Gorell**, **Ventura County Public Works**, and **MAC members** is deeply frustrating.

We need **real accountability**, not glowing reports that ignore the obvious. I'm urging residents to **attend the next MAC meeting** and speak up. I no longer accept vague reassurances about things "looking good"—because they don't and they haven't for a while.

Finally, the deteriorating condition of the **Oak Park shopping center** signage and landscaping deserves attention (where Starbucks and El Taco Chico are located). If the County has any authority to address its increasingly rundown appearance, it should be using it.

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