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Home Builder Lawsuit

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BAKERSFIELD, Calif. -- Local home builders have filed suit to have new traffic impact fees reversed.

The Home Builder's Association of Kern County is claiming, among other things, that the joint agreement between the city and county is invalid.

The impact fee was raised last month from around \$7,100 to just under \$13,000 for every home.

The city hopes to match the Thomas Roads Improvement Program funds and raise enough from the impact fees to pay for much of the estimated \$3B transportation plan.

The builders want the government to stop assessing the fees and refund those already collected.

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