

To: Members of Humboldt County Planning Commission

Date:

RE: General Plan Update

Dear Planning Commissioners,

I support focusing most future development into existing communities to protect resource lands, enhance vibrant, walkable communities and strengthen our local economy. I encourage you to adopt policies and programs in the Land Use Element of the new General Plan that will:

- ✓ Preserve timber and agricultural resource lands in large parcels to maintain the long-term economic viability of these sectors;
- ✓ Protect watersheds and wetlands;
- ✓ Promote local farmers and the food they produce by having a "no net loss" policy for prime agricultural lands;
- ✓ Benefit salmon and other wildlife;
- ✓ Improve the health of county residents by creating connectivity between and walkability within existing towns; and
- ✓ Provide for affordable housing opportunities close to work, school and parks.

IT IS HARD ENOUGH TO MAINTAIN THE CURRENT  
 ROADS IN THIS COUNTY WITHOUT THE "SPRAWL",  
 WE NEED TO IMPROVE THE URBAN AND ~~RURAL~~ SUBURBAN  
 AREAS ALREADY IN EXISTENCE, LET'S IMPROVE  
 FACILITIES FOR GETTING AROUND IN OUR COMMUNITIES  
 ON FOOT & BY BICYCLE. THE FURTHER PEOPLE  
 ARE FROM TOWN, THE MORE RESOURCES THEY  
 CONSUME. PLAN A IS THE CLOSEST TO  
 ACCOMPLISHING THIS. THANKS FOR READING THIS.

Thank you for your consideration,

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