

October 16, 2007

Marin County Board of Supervisors 3501 Civic Center Drive San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: Marin County Draft Countywide Plan Update

Dear Board Members:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Conduct a public hearing on specified carry over items from the Natural Systems & Agriculture, Built Environment, and Socioeconomic Elements of the Draft Countywide Plan
- 2. Close public testimony on today's agenda
- 3. Board deliberations and direction to staff
- 4. Continue the public hearing to Tuesday, November 6 at 1:30 p.m.

SUMMARY: Today's hearing is the 4th Board hearing on the Planning Commission Recommended Draft Marin Countywide Plan. For the purposes of this hearing, proposed revisions to the draft Plan have been divided into the following three attachments:

Attachment 1 - Issues for Final Consideration. This section includes proposed revisions pertaining to substantive and unresolved topics that have not received specific direction from a majority of your Board.

For example, topics involving airport locations within the Baylands Corridor, text pertaining to the St. Vincent's and Silveira properties, and other unresolved topics are further addressed in Attachment 1.

Attachment 2 - Issues Tentatively Resolved. This section includes revisions that were tentatively approved by a majority of your Board on September 10, 11, or 25, 2007. The items in Attachment 2 have been tentatively approved by your Board.

Attachment 3 - Technical Corrections. This section includes corrections and minor clarifications. Additional corrections are also being made by a technical editor that will be included in the final draft of the Plan prior to the November 6, 2007 hearing. These revisions are shown as mark-ups made directly to pages from the CWP. Attachment 3 also includes changes recommended in collaboration with other department heads to implementation charts (shown as mark-ups in the CWP) as well as a separate attachment organized by timeframe. In light of the extra time required to adopt the Countywide Plan, corresponding adjustments have been included in the short, medium, and long term timeframes.

DISCUSSION: Unless further modified, the proposed revisions (along with additional technical editing for consistency, appearance and grammar) will be incorporated into the final draft of the Plan for Board action on November 6, 2007. Staff recommends that today's hearing focus on a limited number of potentially unresolved topics. For example, public testimony and Board deliberations should primarily be directed to draft revisions where the proposed final text or map has not been previously reviewed. This approach is also intended to enable sufficient time for Board deliberation on the proposed revisions in Attachment 1 (Issues for Final Consideration) that have not received specific direction from a majority of your Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Alex Hinds, Director

Attachments:

- 1. Issues for Final Consideration
- 2. Issues Tentatively Resolved
- 3. Technical Corrections