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			The following individu	ials submitted comments on agenda item:
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				The South Bay has remained resistant to committing to its fair share of the County's housing needs, and as a result, many Angelenos are unable to access this region which is rich in jobs, services, and amenities. The South Bay Area Plan offers a key opportunity to move this key region towards greater access, diversity, and abundance. I stand with Abundant Housing LA and South Bay Forward in urging you to pass the SBAP and to move forward on additional rezoning opportunities in the unincorporated South Bay communities.
			Chester Li	The Los Angeles area, including significant portions of unincorporated LA County, especially in the South Bay, faces severe housing shortages today and in the years to come. We should welcome new neighbors, new families, new hopes and dreams into our neighborhoods. The South Bay Area Plan Project may not be the end-all be-all nor is it perfect, but it helps to alleviate our housing shortage problem in a big way. I am a resident of the South Bay and fully support this project.

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Courtney A Miles

Dear Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,

As advocates for equitable housing, Abundant Housing LA and South Bay Forward – our volunteer-led local chapter composed of residents throughout the South Bay – are writing to urge you to adopt the South Bay Area Plan, which the Regional Planning Commission voted unanimously to support in October. Our organizations strongly believe that local and regional governments have a responsibility to plan and build communities where everyone can thrive, flourish, and live in the neighborhood of their choice. Please support the South Bay Area Plan, which will provide people with the opportunity to live near transit and jobs to make the South Bay region a more equitable and vibrant place to live.

Los Angeles County's Housing Element identified a shortfall over over 55,000 units in unincorporated areas that must be addressed via rezoning. The County's various Area Plans are key interventions to accomplish the necessary rezoning to bridge the gap between existing zoned capacity and LA County's state-mandated housing target. While we believe the South Bay Area Plan could have gone further to expand housing opportunities in a key LA region and jobs center, the plan is a solid step in the right direction.

We must also stress that LA County has an obligation to not just zone for more housing, but also to combat patterns of segregation and open up exclusionary high resource communities. On that note, we strongly support the proposed modest upzoning of the northern portion of Del Aire to H18. although we prefer the original proposed H30 zoning, which would have produced additional housing opportunities. Situated near LA Metro light rail and the LAX/EI Segundo aerospace industry hubs. Del Aire is a high resource community that is jobs-rich and transit-rich. Increasing housing opportunities in neighborhoods like Del Aire is an economic and social justice imperative. and opening up single family neighborhoods stems displacement by reducing pressure on existing multifamily housing stock. Furthermore, we encourage and support future updates to expand zoning opportunities in the Del Aire and Wiseburn Districts, as well as the Lennox, Alondra Park/El Camino Village. and West Carson Districts. We also urge the county to continue its work in building permanent supportive housing in these areas such as the Aviation Apartments in Del Aire, a Homekey project.

Affirmatively furthering fair housing by opening up communities like Del Aire is imperative now more than ever for Los Angeles County, given the fact that the Palisades and Eaton fires have made the housing crisis on the Westside and the South Bay more acute as displaced families look to relocate and the housing shortfall widens. High opportunity areas like Del Aire will be even more in-demand and out of reach for Angelenos of lower incomes unless we expand zoning and opportunity. We urge you to move forward and fulfill your obligation to build more housing in High Opportunity areas with both the South Bay Area plan and Westside Area Plan.

The South Bay has historically not delivered its fair share of the County's



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		Grace S Peng	I support upzoning in the South Bay unincorporated areas near transit and not adjacent to freeways. The horrific fires have been a wake up call for LACO. We must provide more homes in the safe areas-safe from fires, floods, traffic violence, and air pollution. If anything, I think the upzoning should go deeper away from the arterial roads and their pollution. Upzone around every park and elementary school.
		Grace S Peng	In light of the fires this week, I think it is urgent that we upzone aggressively in the areas that are safer from fires. If anything, I believe that the areas near job centers and transit are not upzoned enough. We should allow towers near rail stations if anyone wants to build it.
		Henry Fung	I strongly suggest the Board approve this item and implement the South Bay Area Plan without delay. Although the increase in density is modest, it is a first step to bringing more people near jobs and transit. The residents already there should not foreclose others the opportunity to be within walking distance of transit and being near thousands of high paying jobs in El Segundo and at LAX and the Los Angeles Air Force Base. Under current state laws no owner or renter can be forced out of their homes to build high density housing, and the changes in the zoning allow a single family home which ends up being damaged or destroyed to rebuild as is without being in a nonconforming zone. But for the owners who want to bring more housing opportunities to meet our housing crisis, they should be allowed to do so. Please implement this without delay. Thank you.
		Margaret Manning	Totally support SBAP for West Carson to improve mobility, walkability and health for residents of all ages.
	Oppose	Christopher T Campbell	
		Ivett Arroyo	Dear Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, I'm writing to share my heartfelt concerns about the proposed upzoning of North Del Aire. As both a resident and an employee of Wiseburn Unified School District, I care deeply about our community and its future. For the past 18 months, my neighbors and I have worked tirelessly to share our concerns about the blanket upzoning proposed for North Del Aire. We've written letters, attended countless meetings, and spoken out during public comment sessions, hoping our voices would make a difference. Unfortunately, it feels like our input has been ignored. During the Regional Planning Commission meeting, the commissioners even acknowledged that
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our concerns were valid but said they had to push the plan forward because of timing, not because the issues we raised were addressed.

Please, I ask you to take a closer look at the proposed zoning map for Del Aire and truly consider its impact. Del Aire is a tight-knit, diverse community made up of first-time homebuyers and multi-family homes. It's a place where families have lived for decades, and the proposed upzoning would drastically change its character by tripling the housing density within just a ¼ square mile area.

This level of upzoning simply isn't necessary to meet the state's housing goals. Del Aire and Wiseburn are required to add 383 housing units by 2029 under the California RHNA allocation, but the proposed maps suggest adding three times that amount, all concentrated in North Del Aire. This will undoubtedly lead to gentrification and force long-time residents out of the neighborhood they've called home for generations.

Beyond this, the plan raises serious concerns about safety and infrastructure. Del Aire already faces challenges with limited sheriff resources and slow response times. Adding thousands of residents to such a small area will only stretch these resources even thinner, putting the safety of both current and future residents at risk.

I urge you to reconsider this plan and protect the unique and vibrant community that Del Aire has worked so hard to build.

Del Aire Elementary, part of Wiseburn Unified, simply does not have the capacity to accommodate a significant influx of students. Unfortunately, the environmental study didn't adequately consider this. Instead, it assessed school capacity across all eight unincorporated communities, which doesn't reflect how families and schools actually operate. Our local schools are central to our neighborhood, and this oversight could result in a strain on resources that will directly impact our children.

Traffic and Community Impact:

Del Aire has just one main street running through the neighborhood, and increasing housing density will undoubtedly lead to major traffic congestion and parking problems on our residential streets. These changes threaten the very quality of life that makes Del Aire such a special place to live.

I'm asking you, as decision-makers, to genuinely listen to the concerns of the Del Aire community. This proposal does not align with our neighborhood's needs and risks doing irreversible harm to our close-knit, diverse community.

Please reconsider the blanket upzoning of North Del Aire to H18 and take another look at the South Bay Area Plan as a whole. We are counting on you to prioritize the well-being and sustainability of our community.

Thank you for taking the time to hear us out.



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Kathy Wu	To the LA County Board of Supervisors, I am a Del Aire resident and I am writing about the South Bay Area Plan-Project No. PRJ2022-004615-(2 and 4). I believe in fair and equitable housing, and I welcome the expansion of mixed use housing along our corridors and near the Metro station. Yet the current plan in place puts many residents at a disadvantage, including those who have been residents for many years here.
	For the past 18 months, my neighborhood has written letters, attended meetings, and tried to share our legitimate concerns with the proposed blanket upzoning in North Del Aire. Unfortunately, these concerns have been blatantly ignored. At the Regional Planning Commission meeting, the commissioners even lamented that they agreed with our concerns but said they had to move the plan forward due to timing, not facts.
	PLEASE look at the Del Aire map and re-assess the rezoning proposed for Del Aire! Del Aire is a diverse, mixed income community with mostly first-time home buyers and multi-family homes. The proposed upzoning will triple the number of housing units in a ¼ sq. mile area.
	Rezoning our entire single-family neighborhood is not necessary in order to achieve the state mandated housing goals. The upzoning in Del Aire will provide 3X the mandated housing for all of Del Aire and Wiseburn in a ¼ square mile concentrated in north Del Aire. Based on the State of CA's Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) goals, by 2029, Del Aire and Wiseburn need to add 383 units. The submitted PEIR maps propose upzoning a 1 / 4 sq. mile area of North Del Aire to H18 which will add 3 times the mandated RHNA allocation in that one small section alone! Rezoning at this magnitude will cause gentrification and push out residents whose families have lived here for decades. The Housing element lists Del Aire is a sensitive community at high risk of Displacement. Yet this was not considered as Del Aire is next to a transit center and is considered a transit Opportunity Area.
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	Thank you.
Linda Cessor	See attached Comments
Linda Cuesta	See attached letter
Lisa Frazza-Cortiula	We welcome the expansion of mixed use housing along the corridors of Del Aire and near the Metro Station. However, the Plan is flawed, will cause harm to our Community. Sewer and water systems will be drained, schools overcrowded, traffic issues will ensue. We are a small unincorporated neighborhood. We don't have the infrastructure needed to support this plan. Thank You.
Michele L Crawford	Dear LA County Board of Supervisors
	I have been a Del Aire resident for over 20 years and I am writing about the South Bay Area Plan- Project No. PRJ2022-004615-(2 and 4). I am the daughter of a Cuban immigrant and have served the public school system as an educator my entire career. We were first time home owners in this small welcoming family community and intend to stay in the community we love and work within and support.
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through the neighborhood, talk to the sheriffs department, the fire department, and look at the lack of infrastructure, parking and facilities that are necessary to support this plan.

We have multiple large housing facilities within the neighborhood in addition to a housing project at the top of my street that is designated for houseless individuals through the Venice Community Housing Project and across the street from that structure, an 8 story building which is being completed (currently empty) and additional apartment houses which are not filled to capacity that boarder the metro station.

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I was born and raised in the shadow of Randy's doughnuts, and with but a brief period of exception, have spent my entire 67 years in the South Bay area.

Anyone who's resided in this area, for 20 or more years can attest to the fact that we no longer have a "morning rush hour" nor an "evening rush hour". What our elected and appointed officials have provided us, is 24/7 traffic and congestion snarl on an unprecedented scale and a degree of unconscionable overcrowding, directly attributable to shortsighted, economically unsound principals being implemented again and again making "Rush Hour" an archaic word in LA County.

Understanding that our "bettors" within the State of California, and Los Angeles County government in particular, are well known for bullying about their business and pounding their intentions into reality, regardless of objection or opposition from the law abiding taxpayers, I'm confident my input here is a tangible waste of my time but I feel it must be stated.......

When these unintelligent and abusive State/County government agencies put forth Proposal, Hearing, and Amendments - obviously compiled by people well insulated from the reality of gridlocked Freeways, Highways, Bi-Ways, and Streets - that utilize terminology such as "long-term vision" "development density" "opportunity areas in the Planning Area" "and uses that reflect surrounding development patterns" combine into massive red flags for all taxpayers, but property owners and landlords specifically, hear the unmistakable temblor of Los Angeles County governments' tax and spend saber.

This is a HORRIBLE idea!

Sean Kearney

Good Day Supervisors.

My name is Sean Kearney, Chief Business Official of the Wiseburn Unified School District. I appreciate the opportunity to share our district's concerns regarding the potential rezoning in Del Aire and Wiseburn. I am here to advocate for a thoughtful and thorough review of the impacts on our students' educational needs, school infrastructure, and community safety.

The Environmental Impact Report (EIR) currently assesses school capacity

by pooling resources from eight unincorporated communities. This approach does not account for the realities of school attendance rights, as each school district operates within its own defined capacity. As a result, the analysis fails to reflect the true impact of rezoning on the local schools.

Additionally, while developer fees have been identified as a potential funding source to address facility needs resulting from increased enrollment, these funds alone are insufficient to realistically meet the facilities demands of growth.

Also, related to attendance impacts... - to be clear, under state law, students have the right to attend school within the district where they reside. School districts cannot arbitrarily accept or deny attendance, and families seeking to enroll their children outside their home district must navigate a permit process with specific and strict requirements. The Country's assessment overlooks these legal and logistical constraints, assuming flexibility in enrollment that is neither realistic nor compliant with state law. For example, Del Aire Elementary is already approaching capacity, leaving families in Del Aire and



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Wiseburn with limited, if any, realistic options to send their children to distant schools, such as those in West Carson or El Camino Village. This is simply not the way school enrollment and attendance work.

Moreover, increased housing density could exacerbate traffic congestion near our schools, significantly impacting student safety. Without clear mitigation measures, the added traffic during drop-off and pick-up times could create hazardous conditions for students and families alike. The report minimizes this impact and fails to thoughtfully and specifically address the important safety concerns that the district has related to ingress and egress. Before the approval of a plan of this nature, it would be the district's request that the Supervisors direct staff to more thoroughly look at and address the impact of higher density housing on the safety of students as they come and go from school.

We urge the Board of Supervisors to conduct a focused, community-specific assessment to fully understand and address these school-related impacts. It is vital that the educational and safety needs of Del Aire and Wiseburn families remain a priority as you deliberate rezoning proposals and associated reports.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Stacy Diehl

I am a Del Aire resident concerned about the South Bay Area Plan- Project No. PRJ2022-004615-(2 and 4). I believe in fair and equitable housing and welcome the expansion of mixed-use housing along our corridors and near the Metro station. However, the current plan is seriously flawed.

For the past 18 months, my neighbors and I have written letters, attended meetings, and shared our legitimate concerns about the proposed blanket upzoning in North Del Aire to no avail.

I never knew the disadvantage of living in an unincorporated area until now; we have no government officials advocating for us or taking our concerns to heart. And while the commissioners have indicated that they agree with our concerns, they claim they have to move the plan forward due to timing, not facts.

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		Theresa Warlich	Please save my neighborhood. Why are you changing my neighborhood? I have worked so hard to obtain my home and your plans will take it away for me. You'd fight for your neighborhood. Listen to your constitutes not contractors out to make mega bucks.
			In conclusion, please read our submitted concerns and do not upzone all of North Del Aire to H18 or approve the ill-conceived South Bay Area Plan.
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			mandated RHNA allocation in that one small section alone. We feel unfairly targeted without any government representatives advocating for our community.

Linda Cessor 5360 W. 126th Street Del Aire, CA 90250 Ceszna@aol.com

January 23, 2025

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors 500 W. Temple St. Los Angeles, CA 90012

Subject: OPPOSITION TO INCREASED RESIDENTIAL ZONING IN DEL AIRE, CALIFORNIA

Dear Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed increase in residential zoning for Del Aire, California. While I understand the need to address the housing crisis in Los Angeles County, this approach would exacerbate existing issues and harm the long-term prospects for low and middle-income families in our community.

Affordable single-family residences are already scarce in Los Angeles County, and increasing zoning to build multi-family developments in Del Aire will further erode this essential housing option. Single-family homes are a cornerstone for building generational wealth, particularly for low and middle-income families who rely on these properties as their primary means of securing financial stability and passing wealth to future generations. The elimination of these homes not only reduces access to this critical pathway but also undermines the cultural and economic fabric of our community.

Additionally, Del Aire is already a compact area with limited resources and infrastructure. Increasing the zoning to allow for multi-family developments would strain vital public services, including our police and fire departments, trash collection, and traffic management. The area already experiences congestion, limited parking, and increased pollution from vehicle traffic and the Los Angeles World Airport. Adding higher-density housing would exacerbate these issues, reducing the quality of life for current and future residents.

Rather than increasing zoning to build multi-family residences in Del Aire, I urge the County to explore alternative solutions to the housing crisis. These might include repurposing underutilized commercial properties and incentivizing affordable housing developments in less congested areas.

Del Aire is a unique community that thrives on its balance between residential living and accessibility. I urge the Board to preserve this balance by rejecting proposals to increase

residential zoning in this area. This decision will protect the future of Del Aire and ensure it remains a viable and sustainable community for generations to come.

**Please add the entirety of this email to the public record on this matter, and the County SBAP case file for Del Aire.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent and necessary matter.

Linda Cessor Del Aire Resident





The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

To: SouthBayAreaPlan@planning.lacounty.gov,

Date: 1/24/2025

Subject: Public Comment on Item 6 Project No. PRJ2022-004615 - South Bay Area Plan Project

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Affirmatively furthering fair housing by opening up communities like Del Aire is imperative now more than ever for Los Angeles County, given the fact that the Palisades and Eaton fires have made the housing crisis on the Westside and the South Bay more acute as displaced families look to relocate and the housing shortfall widens. High opportunity areas like Del Aire will be even more in-demand and out of reach for Angelenos of lower incomes unless we expand zoning and opportunity. We urge you to move forward and fulfill your obligation to build more housing in High Opportunity areas with both the South Bay Area plan and Westside Area Plan.

The South Bay has historically not delivered its fair share of the County's housing needs, and as a result, many Angelenos are unable to access this region which is rich in jobs, services, and amenities. The South Bay Area Plan offers a key opportunity for the County to move this key region towards greater accessibility, diversity, and abundance. We urge you to grasp that opportunity and approve the plan to continue your commitment and obligation to affirmatively further fair housing.

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Re: Response to Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Los Angeles

County South Bay Area Plan Project

Dear Mr. Dearborn:

The Wiseburn Unified School District appreciates the opportunity to provide input on the environmental review process for the proposed South Bay Area Plan Project. Based on the Notice of Preparation for the proposed environmental impact report, we understand the Project will implement land use and zone changes throughout the Project area with an emphasis on increasing housing opportunities. As a local school district overlapping the Del Aire/Wiseburn portion of the Project area, the District will be uniquely affected by the Project, potentially for decades to come. The District operates five school sites in the Project area serving approximately 4,500 students. Not only is the District responsible for educating students generated by the Project, it has an obligation to ensure the health and safety of its students and staff and the quality of its learning environment.

Below we outline our concerns and provide comments on the Notice of Preparation.

<u>Comment Period on Draft Environmental Impact Report and Community Outreach</u>. Because of the complexity of the proposed Project and the potential to disproportionately affect District schools, we are requesting in advance that the draft environmental impact report public review period be extended to 60 days rather than 45 days.

Consistent with state legislation for environmental justice (e.g. SB 1000), outreach should be conducted with the District and surrounding neighborhoods in English and Spanish. Outreach is needed in order to provide residents affected the by the Project the opportunity to understand the adverse environmental effects the Project may have on our community, schools, and the environment, and the opportunity to engage in government decisions that affect residents and District students and staff. Translation services should be provided at all meetings and hearings, even if those hearings are conducted remotely. Given that not all residents in the surrounding community may have equal access to internet, information should also be provided in writing (English and Spanish) to all residents and businesses within a mile of the various Project areas.

<u>Air Quality</u>. An air quality/greenhouse gas analysis should assess the Project's stationary emissions and mobile source emissions and how they may impact surrounding sensitive receptors, including the District's schools, students, and surrounding residences.

The Project is located in a community with some of the highest pollution burden in all of California. Pollution burden represents the potential exposure to pollutants and the adverse environmental conditions caused by pollution. CalEnviroScreen 4.0 identifies the Project area as an environmental justice community that is disproportionately affected by and vulnerable to poor air quality. Increased motor vehicle traffic associated with higher density development has the potential to increase emissions and adversely affect sensitive populations, especially school-aged children, attending schools and living in and near the Project area. The Project's air quality analysis should evaluate the cumulative health risks for affected residents in order to disclose the Project's cumulative contribution to the health risks and allow decision makers to make findings regarding potential air quality impacts.

We are requesting that the environmental impact report provide clear, easy to understand information on how the proposed Project affects air quality impacts and associated health risk and health impacts. The technical assessments should consider emissions from all phases of the Project based on the allowed uses under the Area Plan as well as the cumulative effects from other surrounding projects.

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Exposure to high noise levels affects the entire system, with prolonged noise exposure in excess of 75 dBA increasing body tensions, thereby affecting blood pressure and functions of the heart and the nervous system. In addition, elevated ambient noise levels can result in noise interference (e.g., speech interruption/masking, sleep disturbance, disturbance of concentration) at schools, residences, and other noise-sensitive receptors.

<u>Population Growth and Public Services</u>. The proposed Project would induce population growth in the area and increase the residential density. These new residents are likely to include school-aged children that would attend District schools. The Population and Housing and Public Services sections should quantify population growth from the Project and analyze how the increase in students would impact the schools serving the area.

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up for schools in the area. The District requests that the environmental analysis prepared for the Project address these issues. The study should also consider the cumulative effects from other surrounding projects.

The increase in traffic can also impact pedestrian safety and the safety of our students and staff at District schools. We request that the environmental impact report address pedestrian safety measures and safe routes to school.

The District appreciates the opportunity to submit these comments. We look forward to working with the County to ensure the Project's impacts on schools and student health and safety are fully mitigated. Pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21092.2, we request that all notices concerning the Project be sent to my attention.

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(Project No. PRJ2022-004615; State Clearinghouse No. 2023100445)

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The Wiseburn Unified School District has reviewed the Draft Environmental Impact Report ("DEIR") for the proposed South Bay Area Plan Project and offers the following comments.

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Wiseburn USD Schools

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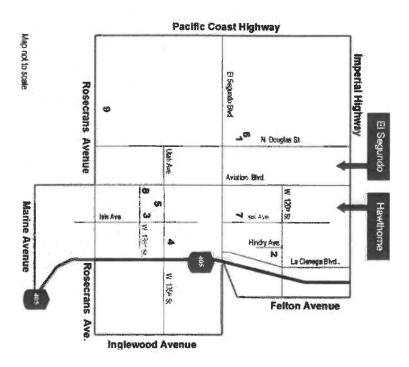
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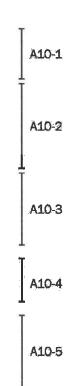
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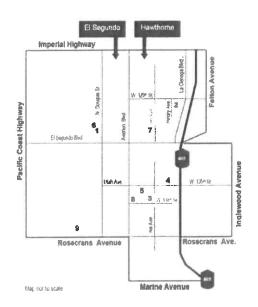
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Response to Comment Letter A10

Wiseburn Unified School District Blake Silvers, Ed.D., Superintendent July 8, 2024

- A10-1 This introductory comment identifies the commenter and notes review of the Draft PEIR. The comment does not express any environmental concerns related to the environmental analysis contained in the Draft PEIR.
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As described in Chapter 3, Revisions to the Draft PEIR, of this Final PEIR, the Project would result in a total of 9,596 dwelling units and approximately 29,943 residents. While the Project would include land use changes to facilitate commercial development, the Project would not result in changes to an increased intensity of industrial uses.

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For example, as detailed further in Section 4.2, Air Quality, the Draft PEIR incorporates mitigation to reduce impacts; however, due to the programmatic nature of the Project, the accuracy of the reductions that would be realized from mitigation is not able to be accurately quantifiable. Thus, impacts would remain significant and unavoidable related to the potential exposure of sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations even with the incorporation of mitigation measures MM-4.3-1 and MM-4.3-2. Similar impact conclusions were determined in Section 4.13, Noise, of the Draft PEIR. Impacts would remain significant and unavoidable even with the incorporation of MM-4.13-2.

The comment also asserts impacts to school facilities would occur. As described in Section 4.15, Public Services, impacts would be less than significant with the payment of development fees, which would be used to offset the impact of an additional student population. No mitigation is required. The County conducted outreach in preparation of the Draft PEIR and received a comment letter in response to the Notice of Preparation circulated on October 16, 2023, as summarized in Table 1-1, Notice of Preparation and Comment Letters Summary, the Draft PEIR. Table 1-1 listed Wiseburn Unified School District as a commenter and identified the appropriate Draft PEIR sections based on the comments received (Draft PEIR, p. 1-4). Therefore, the Project would not create capacity or service level problems necessitating the need for new or physically altered school facilities.

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Similar to the discussion provided in Response to Comment A10-3, the potential impacts to schools more broadly are addressed throughout the Draft PEIR. As described in Section 4.15, secondary impacts related to busing and parent vehicle trips are accounted for throughout the environmental impact analysis (e.g., transportation, air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, noise). See Section 4.3, Air Quality; Section 4.8, Greenhouse Gas Emissions; Section 4.13, Noise; and Section 4.17, Transportation of this Draft PEIR for more discussion.

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Administration, of the County Zoning Code. At that time, any specific traffic hazards due to geometric design around the project sites would be identified. However, no geometric design issues are reasonably foreseeable at this time. The facilitation of infill development would not involve permanent changes to linear infrastructure (i.e., roadways) and would not introduce any uses that would be incompatible with the surrounding urban or suburban environment. Although the Project supports mobility improvements (as outlined in the General Plan's goals and policies), no specific mobility related improvements are proposed (Draft PEIR, pp. 4.17-48 and 4.17-49). The comment will be provided to the Regional Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors for their review and consideration as part of this Final PEIR.

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OUR REQUESTS:

- Do not approve the South Bay Area Plan (SBAP).
- Look at the Del Aire map and re-assess the rezoning proposed for Del Aire.
- Do not upzone all of north Del Aire to H18.
- Look at each unicorporated community as an individual community.
- Retroactively count the number of units currently being built at 11824 Aviation (Aviation & 118th Place) toward the proposed 383 units.
- Count the number of units proposed to be built at 12000 Aviation (Aviation & 122nd Street) toward the proposed 383 units.
- Expand mixed use housing along our corridors and near the Metro station as opposed to the single-family housing community.

I humbly ask you to PLEASE look at what you are proposing in Del Aire and read, with the intention of understanding, our submitted concerns and requests. The map for Del Aire triples the number of housing units in a 1/4 sq. mile radius. With zoning density bonuses, this could mean having 18 or 30 -unit apartments in the middle of a single-family home community. This is not necessary! PLEASE DO NOT UPZONE ALL OF NORTH DEL AIRE TO H18. PLEASE DO NOT APPROVE THE SOUTH BAY AREA PLAN.

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Thank you.

Linda Cuesta 5521 W. 124th Street cuestal162@gmail.com From: LC

To: <u>PublicComments</u>; <u>South Bay Area Plan</u>

Cc: Holly J. Mitchell; An, Ara; Gracian, Isela; LOBrien@bos.lacounty.gov; Shamdasani, Karishma;

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Subject: OPPOSITION TO INCREASED RESIDENTIAL ZONING IN DEL AIRE, CALIFORNIA

Date: Thursday, January 23, 2025 11:16:32 AM

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Dear Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed increase in residential zoning for Del Aire, California. While I understand the need to address the housing crisis in Los Angeles County, this approach would exacerbate existing issues and harm the long-term prospects for low and middle-income families in our community.

Affordable single-family residences are already scarce in Los Angeles County, and increasing zoning to build multi-family developments in Del Aire will further erode this essential housing option. Single-family homes are a cornerstone for building generational wealth, particularly for low and middle-income families who rely on these properties as their primary means of securing financial stability and passing wealth to future generations. The elimination of these homes not only reduces access to this critical pathway but also undermines the cultural and economic fabric of our community.

Additionally, Del Aire is already a compact area with limited resources and infrastructure. Increasing the zoning to allow for multi-family developments would strain vital public services, including our police and fire departments, trash collection, and traffic management. The area already experiences congestion, limited parking, and increased pollution from vehicle traffic and the Los Angeles World Airport. Adding higher-density housing would exacerbate these issues, reducing the quality of life for current and future residents.

Rather than increasing zoning to build multi-family residences in Del Aire, I urge the County to explore alternative solutions to the housing crisis. These might include repurposing underutilized commercial properties and incentivizing affordable housing developments in less congested areas.

Del Aire is a unique community that thrives on its balance between residential living and accessibility. I urge the Board to preserve this balance by rejecting proposals to increase residential zoning in this area. This decision will protect the future of Del Aire and ensure it remains a viable and sustainable community for generations to come.

**Please add the entirety of this email to the public record on this matter, and the County SBAP case file for Del Aire.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent and necessary matter.

Linda Cessor
Del Aire Resident
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From: <u>Ivett Arroyo</u>
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Subject: Urgent Concerns About the South Bay Area Plan – Protecting Del Aire

Date: Thursday, January 23, 2025 10:40:09 AM

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

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Dear Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,

I'm writing to share my heartfelt concerns about the proposed upzoning of North Del Aire. As both a resident and an employee of Wiseburn Unified School District, I care deeply about our community and its future.

For the past 18 months, my neighbors and I have worked tirelessly to share our concerns about the blanket upzoning proposed for North Del Aire. We've written letters, attended countless meetings, and spoken out during public comment sessions, hoping our voices would make a difference. Unfortunately, it feels like our input has been ignored. During the Regional Planning Commission meeting, the commissioners even acknowledged that our concerns were valid but said they had to push the plan forward because of timing, not because the issues we raised were addressed.

Please, I ask you to take a closer look at the proposed zoning map for Del Aire and truly consider its impact. Del Aire is a tight-knit, diverse community made up of first-time homebuyers and multi-family homes. It's a place where families have lived for decades, and the proposed upzoning would drastically change its character by tripling the housing density within just a ¼ square mile area.

This level of upzoning simply isn't necessary to meet the state's housing goals. Del Aire and Wiseburn are required to add 383 housing units by 2029 under the California RHNA allocation, but the proposed maps suggest adding three times that amount, all concentrated in North Del Aire. This will undoubtedly lead to gentrification and force long-time residents out of the neighborhood they've called home for generations.

Beyond this, the plan raises serious concerns about safety and infrastructure. **Del Aire already faces challenges with limited sheriff resources and slow response times**. Adding thousands of residents to such a small area will only stretch these resources even thinner, putting the safety of both current and future residents at risk.

I urge you to reconsider this plan and protect the unique and vibrant community that Del Aire has worked so hard to build.

Del Aire Elementary, part of Wiseburn Unified, simply does not have the capacity to accommodate a significant influx of students. Unfortunately, the environmental study didn't adequately consider this. Instead, it assessed school capacity across all eight unincorporated communities, which doesn't reflect how families and schools actually operate. Our local schools are central to our neighborhood, and this oversight could result in a strain on resources that will directly impact our children.

Traffic and Community Impact:

Del Aire has just one main street running through the neighborhood, and increasing housing density will undoubtedly lead to major traffic congestion and parking problems on our residential streets. These changes threaten the very quality of life that makes Del Aire such a special place to live.

I'm asking you, as decision-makers, to genuinely listen to the concerns of the Del Aire community. This proposal does not align with our neighborhood's needs and risks doing irreversible harm to our close-knit, diverse community.

Please reconsider the blanket upzoning of North Del Aire to H18 and take another look at the South Bay Area Plan as a whole. We are counting on you to prioritize the well-being and sustainability of our community.

Thank you for taking the time to hear us out. Sincerely,



Ivett Arroyo

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Subject: Del Aire resident opposes dangerous blanket upzoning across North Del Aire

Date: Wednesday, January 22, 2025 7:29:56 PM

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Thank you, Hugh O'Gorman 5448 W 122nd ST. Hawthorne, CA 90250

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Teresa Espinoza 5421 W. 119th Street espinoza.t.u@gmail.com From: KC

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Subject: Del Aire resident opposes dangerous blanket upzoning across North Del Aire

Date: Saturday, January 25, 2025 2:23:54 PM

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Thank you.

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