

Correspondence on Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 Amendment

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Comment:

The current plan does not appear to mention that if the SMART Tiny Tax fails renewal over the next 5 years, SMART will cease operations entirely. The measure failed miserably in 2020, and is predicted to fail once more.

The transition to EV is utilizing enslaved children in the Congo to mine the precious materials powering these batteries. Black lives don't matter to the colonizers leading these efforts.

When referencing 'affordable housing', the market rates have not yet been determined. What is considered affordable to whites from outside of our area (Sonoma County)?

They appear to be utilizing CBO's such as Gen H which benefit the developers serving on their board. The average person of color will not be able to afford the rental prices, and our neighborhoods are being gentrified (E.g. Tierra de Rosas, Roseland).

The Potter Valley Dam is being removed and will drastically reduce the water supply over multiple counties, therefore negatively impacting agriculture by means of water usage restrictions. If Measure J passes on the November '24 ballot, virtually all large Sonoma County farms will be banned. How can we claim that the housing projects in Roseland and other BIPOC communities are being built for the underserved? If there are no farms, where will the farmworkers be working? They will be forced to relocate outside of the area.

These initiatives fall in alignment with the U.N.'s 17 Goals for Sustainable Development. My grandmother is an immigrant from Rangoon, Burma, and the byproduct of a communist takeover. These plans mirror communism witnessed within Asian countries, and I will make sure that all people of color are well aware of your intentions.

Thank you & God bless.