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SPECIAL MEETING

SANTA CLARA LAFCO'S 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

County Government Center – Back Patio (near Entrance C)
70 West Hedding Street, San Jose

JUNE 7, 2023 ▪ 12:00 PM

AGENDA

- 1. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS**
- 2. 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATORY PRESENTATIONS**
 - A. RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FROM CONGRESSWOMAN ZOE LOFGREN**
 - B. JOINT RECOGNITION FROM STATE SENATOR DAVE CORTESE AND ASSEMBLYMEMBER ASH KALRA**
 - C. SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS**
- 3. THANK YOU AND CLOSING REMARKS**
- 4. ADJOURN 12:45 PM**

Adjourn to the regular LAFCO meeting at 1:15 PM in the Board of Supervisors' Chambers, 70 West Hedding Street, San Jose.



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REGULAR MEETING

Board of Supervisors' Chambers, 70 West Hedding Street, First Floor, San Jose

JUNE 7, 2023 ▪ 1:15 PM (or soon thereafter)

AGENDA

Chairperson: Russ Melton ▪ Vice-Chairperson: Sylvia Arenas

PUBLIC ACCESS AND PARTICIPATION

This meeting will be held in person at the location listed above. As a courtesy, and technology permitting, members of the public may also attend by virtual teleconference. However, LAFCO cannot guarantee that the public's access to teleconferencing technology will be uninterrupted, and technical difficulties may occur from time to time. Unless required by the Brown Act, the meeting will continue despite technical difficulties for participants using the teleconferencing option. To attend the meeting by virtual teleconference, access the meeting at <https://sccgov-org.zoom.us/j/94707905179> or by dialing **(669) 900-6833** and entering **Meeting ID 947 0790 5179#** when prompted.

PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Written Public Comments may be submitted by email to LAFCO@ceo.sccgov.org. Written comments will be distributed to the Commission and posted to the agenda on the LAFCO website as quickly as possible, but may take up to 24 hours.

Spoken public comments may be provided in-person at the meeting. Persons who wish to address the Commission on an item are requested to complete a Request to Speak Form and place it in the designated tray near the dais. Request to Speak Forms must be submitted prior to the start of public comment for the desired item. For items on the Consent Calendar or items added to the Consent Calendar, Request to Speak Forms must be submitted prior to the call for public comment on the Consent Calendar. Individual speakers will be called to speak in turn. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to the time limit allotted.

Spoken public comments may also be provided through the teleconference meeting. To address the Commission virtually, click on the link <https://sccgov-org.zoom.us/j/94707905179> to access the meeting and follow the instructions below:

- You will be asked to enter an email address and name. We request that you identify yourself by name as this will be visible online and will be used to notify you when it is your turn to speak.
- When the Chairperson calls for the item on which you wish to speak, click on "raise hand" icon. The Clerk will activate and unmute speakers in turn. Speakers will be notified shortly before they are called to speak. Call-in attendees press *9 to request to speak, and *6 to unmute when prompted.
- When called to speak, please limit your remarks to the time limit allotted.

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- Pursuant to Government Code §56300(c), LAFCO adopted lobbying disclosure requirements which require that any person or entity lobbying the Commission or Executive Officer in regard to an application before LAFCO must file a declaration prior to the hearing on the LAFCO application or at the time of the hearing if that is the initial contact. In addition to submitting a declaration, any lobbyist speaking at the LAFCO hearing must so identify themselves as lobbyists and identify on the record the name of the person or entity making payment to them. Additionally, every applicant shall file a declaration under penalty of perjury listing all lobbyists that they have hired to influence the action taken by LAFCO on their application. For forms, visit the LAFCO website at www.santaclaralafco.org.
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- In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, those requiring accommodation for this meeting should notify the LAFCO Clerk 24 hours prior to meeting at (408) 993- 4705.

1. **ROLL CALL**
2. **LAFCO MEMBERSHIP CHANGES**
3. **PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION TO FORMER LAFCO COMMISSIONER SUSAN VICKLUND WILSON**
4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

This portion of the meeting provides an opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on matters not on the agenda, provided that the subject matter is within the jurisdiction of the Commission. No action may be taken on off- agenda items unless authorized by law. Speakers are limited to THREE minutes. All statements that require a response will be referred to staff for reply in writing.

5. APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar includes Agenda Items marked with an asterisk (*). The Commission may add to or remove agenda items from the Consent Calendar.

All items that remain on the Consent Calendar are voted on in one motion. If an item is approved on the Consent Calendar, the specific action recommended by staff is adopted. Members of the public who wish to address the Commission on Consent Calendar items should comment under this item.

***6. APPROVE MINUTES OF APRIL 5, 2023 LAFCO MEETING**

PUBLIC HEARING

7. GILROY URBAN SERVICE AREA AMENDMENT 2021 (WREN INVESTORS & HEWELL)¹

Proposal to expand Gilroy’s urban service area to include two areas: Area A, approximately 50.3 acres, is located west of Wren Avenue and south of Vickery Avenue and includes 13 parcels (APNs 790- 09- 006, 008, 009, 010, 011; 790- 17- 001, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009 and 010); and Area B, approximately 5.36 acres, is located northeast of Vickery Lane and Kern Avenue and includes two parcels (APNs 790-06-017 and 018).

Option 1 – Staff Recommendation:

- 1a. Deny the proposed City of Gilroy Urban Service Area Amendment 2021 (Wren Investors & Hewell).
- 1b. Denial of the project does not require a CEQA Action.

Option 2 – Other Option for Commission Consideration:

- 2a. Approve the proposed City of Gilroy Urban Service Area Amendment 2021 (Wren Investors & Hewell).

¹ Section 2.6 of LAFCO Bylaws requires commissioners to disclose their ex parte communications pertaining to this item prior to a final decision on the item.

- 2b. In order to approve the project, LAFCO as a Responsible Agency under CEQA, must take the following actions regarding the Mitigated Negative Declaration for this project:
- Find that the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration approved by the City of Gilroy on January 27, 2021 were completed in compliance with CEQA and are an adequate discussion of the environmental impacts of the project.
 - Find that prior to making a decision on this project, LAFCO reviewed and considered the environmental effects of the project as outlined in the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration.
 - Find that the City of Gilroy submitted a mitigation monitoring program and that the monitoring program ensures compliance with the mitigation measures identified in the Mitigated Negative Declaration that would eliminate or reduce significant adverse environmental effects to less than significant levels, associated with the Urban Service Area expansion over which LAFCO has responsibility.

8. FINAL BUDGET FOR FY 2024

Recommended Action:

1. Adopt the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.
2. Find that the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2024 is expected to be adequate to allow the Commission to fulfill its statutory responsibilities.
3. Authorize staff to transmit the Final Budget adopted by the Commission including the estimated agency costs to the cities, the special districts, the County, the Cities Association of Santa Clara County and the Santa Clara County Special Districts Association.
4. Direct the County Auditor-Controller to apportion LAFCO costs to the cities; to the special districts; and to the County; and to collect payment pursuant to Government Code §56381.

ITEMS FOR ACTION / INFORMATION

9. UPDATE ON COUNTYWIDE FIRE SERVICE REVIEW

Recommended Action: Accept report and provide direction, as necessary.

10. CALAFCO RELATED ACTIVITIES

***10.1 Report on the 2023 CALAFCO Annual Staff Workshop
For Information Only**

***10.2 2023 CALAFCO Annual Conference (October 18-20)**

Recommended Action: Authorize commissioners and staff to attend the Annual Conference and direct that associated travel expenses be funded by the LAFCO Budget for Fiscal Year 2024.

10.3 Nominations to the CALAFCO Board of Directors

Recommended Action: Nominate interested Commissioners and provide further direction to staff, as necessary.

***11. LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Recommended Action:

1. Accept report and provide direction to staff, as necessary.
2. Take a support position on AB 1581 and authorize staff to send a letter of support.

***12. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

Recommended Action: Accept report and provide direction, as necessary.

12.1 Update on LAFCO Clerk Recruitment

12.2 Inter-Jurisdictional GIS Working Group Meeting

13. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

14. NEWSPAPER ARTICLES / NEWSLETTERS

15. WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

16. ADJOURN

Adjourn to the regular LAFCO meeting on August 2, 2023 at 1:15 PM in the Board of Supervisors' Chambers, 70 West Hedding Street, San Jose.



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ITEM # 2

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LAFCO MEETING: June 7, 2023

TO: LAFCO
**FROM: Neelima Palacherla, Executive Officer
Dunia Noel, Asst. Executive Officer**
SUBJECT: LAFCO MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

On April 5, 2023, LAFCO interviewed and appointed a public member and an alternate public member to serve on LAFCO.

WELCOME NEW COMMISSIONERS

Terry Trumbull (appointed by LAFCO)

On April 5, 2023, LAFCO appointed Terry Trumbull to serve as regular member on LAFCO for a four-year term from June 2023 through May 2027. Prior to this new appointment, Commissioner Trumbull served as an alternate member on LAFCO, beginning in May 2003.

Teresa O'Neill (appointed by LAFCO)

On April 5, 2023, LAFCO also appointed Teresa O'Neill to serve as alternate member on LAFCO for a four-year term from June 2023 through May 2027.

Staff conducted an orientation session for Alternate Commissioner O'Neill on May 20, 2023.

LAFCO staff conducts an orientation program to educate incoming commissioners on the history and purpose of LAFCO, its State mandate, the role of commissioners and staff; and Santa Clara LAFCO's key planning boundaries, regulatory and planning tools, application review process, service reviews program, decision-making process, policies and procedures, outreach and collaboration efforts, and current/upcoming projects.



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ITEM # 6

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LAFCO MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:15 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

The following commissioners were present:

- Chairperson Susan Vicklund Wilson
- Commissioner Sylvia Arenas
- Commissioner Jim Beall
- Commissioner Rosemary Kamei
- Commissioner Yoriko Kishimoto
- Commissioner Otto Lee
- Commissioner Russ Melton
- Alternate Commissioner Helen Chapman
- Alternate Commissioner Terry Trumbull
- Alternate Commissioner Mark Turner

The following commissioners was absent:

- Alternate Commissioner Domingo Candelas
- Alternate Commissioner Cindy Chavez

The following staff members were present:

- Neelima Palacherla, LAFCO Executive Officer
- Dunia Noel, LAFCO Assistant Executive Officer
- Emmanuel Abello, Associate LAFCO Analyst
- Mala Subramanian, LAFCO Counsel

2. LAFCO MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

Chairperson Vicklund Wilson welcomed Russ Melton who has been appointed as a regular member representing the cities, Mark Turner as the alternate cities member, and Domingo Candelas as City of San Jose’s alternate member.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Rob Rennie, Los Gatos Councilmember, and former LAFCO Commissioner indicated that he is representing the Fire Safe Council and is attending the meeting since

The Commission:

1. Adopted the Proposed Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.
2. Adopted the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.
3. Found that the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2024 is expected to be adequate to allow the Commission to fulfill its statutory responsibilities.
4. Authorized staff to transmit the Proposed Budget adopted by the Commission including the estimated agency costs as well as the LAFCO public hearing notice for the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2024 Final Budget to the cities, the special districts, the County, the Cities Association of Santa Clara County and the Santa Clara County Special Districts Association.

Motion: Melton

Second: Lee

AYES: Arenas, Beall, Kamei, Kishimoto, Lee, Melton, Vicklund Wilson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION PASSED

8. APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC MEMBER AND ALTERNATE PUBLIC MEMBER

Ms. Palacherla provided brief staff report and an overview of the interview and selection process, and noted that the Chairperson will facilitate the interviews but will not participate in the selection of the public or alternate public member.

Chairperson Vicklund Wilson welcomed the candidates for Public Member and Alternate Public Member positions, reiterated the interview process and requested the staff to escort the candidates outside of the Board Chambers. The Commission discussed and finalized the interview questions and designated each member, except Chairperson Vicklund Wilson, to ask those questions.

Chairperson Vicklund Wilson directed staff to invite the candidates back into the Board Chambers one at a time for the interviews in the following order: Jane Howard, Jerry Karp, Teresa O'Neill and Jake Tonkel. Ms. Noel informed that Mr. Karp has withdrawn his application due to a possible conflict of interest as he currently serves on the Civil Grand Jury. Each of the candidates were interviewed in turn.

Doug Muirhead, a resident of Morgan Hill, expressed support for the appointment of Terry Trumbull as the Public Member and his appreciation to Chairperson Wilson for her many years of service to LAFCO and the residents of the Santa Clara County. He congratulated Commissioner Melton and Alternate Commissioner Turner for their appointment on LAFCO representing the cities.

Chairperson Vicklund Wilson determined that there are no other members of the public who would like to speak on the item.

Commissioner Melton expressed appreciation to the candidates for their interest in serving on LAFCO, and he acknowledged that selection will be difficult as all of the candidates have excellent qualifications. He then nominated Terry Trumbull to the

Public Member position since it is important to LAFCO to have someone who has the institutional knowledge in view of the significant change in the composition of the Commission. **Commissioner Kishimoto** expressed agreement.

Motion: Melton

Second: Kishimoto

AYES: Arenas, Beall, Kamei, Kishimoto, Lee, Melton

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Vicklund Wilson

ABSENT: None

MOTION PASSED

Commissioner Arenas nominated Teresa O'Neill to the Alternate Public Member position. **Commissioner Kamei** seconded. **Commissioner Kishimoto** expressed support for Ms. O'Neill and she expressed appreciation to the other candidates for their participation in the selection process. **Commissioner Lee** expressed support for Ms. O'Neill. He then noted that from what he had heard during the interviews, all of the candidates do certain voluntary work in their communities, and he expressed appreciation for all that they do. **Commissioner Arenas** indicated her support for Ms. O'Neill, and she expressed her appreciation to all the candidates for their interest to serve on LAFCO.

Motion: Arenas

Second: Kamei

AYES: Arenas, Kamei, Kishimoto, Lee, Melton

NOES: Beall

ABSTAIN: Vicklund Wilson

ABSENT: None

MOTION PASSED

9. UPDATE ON COUNTYWIDE FIRE SERVICE REVIEW

Chairperson Vicklund Wilson acknowledge the work of Commissioner Kishimoto as the chair of the Countywide Fire Service Review Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), and she informed that Commissioner Beall has expressed interest to serve on the TAC.

Chairperson Vicklund Wilson determined that there are no members of the public who would like to speak on the item.

Commissioner Beall indicated he has been interested in fire services since he started his public career as an urban planner in Los Gatos and County supervisor, and that he worked on the budget committee for CalFire when he was on the State legislature.

Commissioner Lee nominated Commissioner Beall to serve on the TAC.

Commissioner Kishimoto seconded.

The Commission:

1. Appointed Commissioner Jim Beall to serve on the Countywide Fire Service Review Technical Advisory Committee in place of Commissioner Vicklund Wilson, whose term on LAFCO ends May 31, 2023.

2. Accepted report.

Motion: Lee

Second: Kishimoto

AYES: Arenas, Kamei, Kishimoto, Lee, Melton, Vicklund Wilson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Beall

ABSENT: None

MOTION PASSED

***10. CONSENT ITEM: AMENDMENT TO MOU BETWEEN COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA AND LAFCO OF SANTA CLARA REGARDING WEBCASTING SERVICES FOR LAFCO MEETINGS**

The Commission approved the proposed amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between County of Santa Clara and LAFCO of Santa Clara regarding the County's provision of webcasting services for LAFCO meetings held in the County Board Chambers, extending the term, and updating the rates for reimbursable expenses.

***11. CONSENT ITEM: EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

The Commission accepted the report.

***11.1 Update on LAFCO Clerk Recruitment**

***11.2 Presentation on LAFCO to Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority**

***11.3 Meeting on Bay Area People's Food & Farm Project**

***11.4 Special Districts Association Meeting**

***11.5 Laserfische Server Migration Services**

12. APPOINTMENT OF 2023 LAFCO CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON

Chairperson Vicklund Wilson informed that Commissioner Melton is interested in serving as chair, and she expressed her support indicating that he has been serving on the Finance Committee for a number of years, attended CALAFCO conferences and has actively supported many LAFCO endeavors.

The Commission appointed Commissioner Melton as Chairperson for 2023.

Motion: Lee

Second: Kishimoto

AYES: Arenas, Beall, Kamei, Kishimoto, Lee, Melton, Vicklund Wilson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION PASSED

The Commission appointed Commissioner Arenas as Vice Chairperson for 2023.

Motion: Lee

Second: Kamei

AYES: Arenas, Beall, Kamei, Kishimoto, Lee, Melton, Vicklund Wilson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION PASSED

13. PENDING APPLICATIONS / UPCOMING PROJECTS

14. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

15. NEWSPAPER ARTICLES / NEWSLETTERS

16. WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

- A letter from Burbank Sanitary District re. Burbank Annexation 44, 1881 West San Carlos, APNs 274-16-050, 052, 053, 069 and 070 – March 28, 2023 City Council Agenda (March 21, 2023)

17. ADJOURN

Commissioner Kishimoto expressed her appreciation to Chairperson Vicklund Wilson, who has served on LAFCO since 1995 and attended almost all of the LAFCO meetings, and that she has been diligent and enthusiastic in ensuring that LAFCO carry out its mission which benefitted the county.

Commissioner Kamei informed that while she did not have the opportunity to work with Chairperson Vicklund Wilson, through her work in Morgan Hill and San Jose communities, she had known of Commissioner Vicklund Wilson's work on LAFCO. And she expressed appreciation for her work that led to decisions about preserving open space and agricultural lands, and promoting orderly growth, which would benefit Santa Clara County for generations to come.

Commissioner Melton expressed appreciation to Chairperson Vicklund Wilson for her legendary service to the County and the State through LAFCO. He recalled her steady hand, calm demeanor, clear thought, and her ability to work through difficult situations during a meeting on the El Camino Healthcare District Audit and Service Review. He also noted her leadership at CALAFCO, the statewide association of LAFCOs, particularly in setting of LAFCO policies and legislative agenda.

Commissioner Lee expressed agreement and noted that Chairperson Vicklund Wilson has participated in LAFCO decisions over three decades that have help shaped the county today. And he indicated that such dedication to public service is very commendable and difficult to emulate.

Chairperson Vicklund Wilson expressed her appreciation to all and especially to staff for supporting her work on LAFCO.

EO Palacherla indicated that a reception and formal presentation is being planned for Commissioner Wilson at the June LAFCO meeting.

The Commission adjourned at 2:42 p.m., to the next regular LAFCO meeting on June 7, 2023, at 1:15 p.m., in the Board of Supervisors' Chambers, 70 West Hedding Street, San Jose.

Approved on June 7, 2023.

Russ Melton, Chairperson
Local Agency Formation Commission of Santa Clara County

By: _____
Emmanuel Abello, Associate Analyst

**GILROY URBAN SERVICE AREA AMENDMENT 2021
(WREN INVESTORS & HEWELL)**

STAFF REPORT

The staff report for this item was published on the LAFCO website on March 10, 2023 and a notice of availability was emailed to LAFCO commissioners, the applicant and those on the LAFCO meeting agenda mailing list.

See: https://santaclaralafco.org/sites/default/files/Wren_Hewell_USA_Amendment.pdf

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Supplemental Information No. 1

- A letter from the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority (March 31, 2023)

Supplemental Information No. 2

- A request from the City of Gilroy for the continuance of the public hearing to June 7, 2023 (April 4, 2023)
- Joint comment letter from CLEAN South Bay, Green Foothills, Greenbelt Alliance and Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter (April 3, 2023)

Supplemental Information No. 3

- An email from the City of Gilroy regarding Gilroy USA Expansion support documents (May 31, 2023)

ITEM # 7

Supplemental Information No. 1



March 31, 2023

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RE: Gilroy Urban Service Area Amendment 2021 (Wren Investors & Hewell)

Dear Ms. Palacherla,

The Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority is writing in support of the Staff Recommended Action to deny the proposed City of Gilroy Urban Service Area Amendment 2021 (Wren Investors & Hewell) (Project). We have reviewed the Project documents and agree with the analysis and determination made by LAFCO staff that this USA Amendment is unnecessary and inconsistent with regional policy concerning urban growth. Further, we believe the Project's negative impacts to agricultural resources should be considered for this and future USA annexation proposals.

Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority (Authority)

The Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority (Authority) is a public, independent special district created by the California State Legislature in 1993 at the urging of community leaders who saw the importance of maintaining the ecological integrity of the region. The Authority works to conserve the natural environment and open spaces, connect people to nature, and preserve working farms and ranches for future generations. Since the Authority's founding in 1993, it has protected nearly 30,000 acres of land through fee acquisition, conservation easements, contributions to partner projects, and management agreements.

Santa Clara County Agricultural Plan

The Authority is one of the few agencies in Santa Clara County responsible for conserving agricultural land and prioritizes the protection of vulnerable South County farmland. The County has lost over 21,000 acres of farmland and rangeland to development in the past 30 years and an additional 28,000 acres are deemed at risk. In January of 2018 the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors adopted the Santa Clara Valley Agricultural Plan (SCVAP), a regional effort led by

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the Authority and the County of Santa Clara and funded through the California Department of Conservation (DOC) Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program. The SCVAP outlined farmland conservation strategies to support the social and economic benefits of agriculture within Santa Clara County, limit the conversion of agricultural land and minimize the impacts of climate change.

The SCVAP identified the Santa Clara Valley Agricultural Resource Area (ARA), a region for focused agricultural conservation efforts which encompasses priority farmland in South County. The Project is located within the Buena Vista ARA sub-area, a distinct landscape between San Martin and Gilroy with unique farming characteristics. The Buena Vista sub-area is important to continued agricultural viability in South County for the large farming parcels on which row crop cultivation, farmers markets, and niche farming occur. Farmlands within this area are some of the greatest at risk for development and critical for regional agricultural conservation. The Authority addresses conversion threats within the ARA through acquiring voluntary conservation easements, leasing Authority holdings to farmers and grazers, and supporting policy initiatives which protect viable farmland.

Project impacts to agricultural resources

Agricultural resources in the DOC's Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program (FMMP) are identified by land use and soil type. Between 2010 – 2016, Prime Farmland or Farmland of Statewide Importance within the Project area was reclassified to Grazing Lands. Soil can fall out of Important Farmland designation if the land has not been actively irrigated during the prior four years, but the soil quality may retain its resource potential. Soil capacity is more accurately captured using the USDA's Soil Survey Geographic Database (SSURGO) dataset. Recent SSURGO data indicates soil within the Project area includes 38 acres of Farmland of Statewide Importance and 15 acres of Prime Farmland if irrigated and/or protected from flooding. This data more accurately reflects the high farmland potential to better assess impacts to agricultural resources. Additionally, 2018 FMMP data reclassified 37 acres within the Project area to Farmland of Local Importance, indicating the land has significance to the local agricultural economy. This designation, as adopted by the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, includes undeveloped lands mapped as Important Farmland in the past and reflects the capacity for future agricultural production.

It is clear that continued loss of viable farmland in Santa Clara County remains a critical issue for the community and policymakers. Contending influences within the rural-urban interface creates a unique challenge for Santa Clara County farmers. Landowner investment in farmland or agricultural operations may cease in anticipation of development potential, causing more farmland to fall out of Important Farmland designation. As noted in the SCVAP, most agricultural conversions are associated with city annexations in South County. The Authority echoes LAFCO staff assessment that expansion of urban services and infrastructure as part of a future residential development may threaten the surrounding unincorporated area. Less than a quarter mile north of the Project area is a large block of contiguous Prime Farmland which may be susceptible to the effects of urban sprawl. To prevent further loss of Important Farmland, the Authority supports LAFCO Policies to encourage development within the USA before considering

annexation requests. Moreover, by promoting compact development in established communities there is less development pressure on the region's open spaces and agricultural lands.

Regional policies for urban growth

The Authority promotes sustainable growth policy to promote infill development and reduce urban sprawl, climate emissions, and conversion of vulnerable agricultural lands and open space. USA annexation of the Project area would conflict with regional objectives for sustainable growth as outlined in policies such as Plan Bay Area 2050, the County General Plan, and the SCVAP.

Plan Bay Area 2050 charted a course for reducing per-capita GHG emissions through the promotion of compact mixed-use development near transit stations, existing urban areas, and within designated Priority Development Areas (PDAs) outside of natural and working lands. Productive farmlands are critical for sustaining local and regional food systems while providing valuable ecosystem benefits to surrounding communities. Prioritizing urban infill projects within an existing USA helps maintain these benefits through alleviating development pressure on urban edge agricultural resources. LAFCO staff have identified that developing near the City's edge would likely divert resources from infill development in areas like Downtown Gilroy, a current PDA, and would be inconsistent with County General Plan policy supporting infill development.

Successful implementation of the SCVAP and regional agricultural conservation goals relies on smart urban growth policy to ensure that productive farmland soils within the ARA are protected from conversion. The Authority agrees with LAFCO Staff Recommendation to deny the proposed Project and reinforces the importance of protecting our rural regions and agricultural resources within South County.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and support this LAFCO Project Action.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Andrea Mackenzie". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Andrea Mackenzie
General Manager

CC: Open Space Authority Board of Directors
Santa Clara County LAFCo Commissioners
Matt Freeman, Assistant General Manager, OSA
Marc Landgraf, External Affairs Manager, OSA

ITEM # 7

Supplemental Information No. 2

The following letters were received:

1. A request from the City of Gilroy for the continuance of the public hearing to June 7, 2023 (April 4, 2023)
2. Joint comment letter from CLEAN South Bay, Green Foothills, Greenbelt Alliance and Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter (April 3, 2023)

From: [Cindy McCormick](#)
To: [Palacherla, Neelima](#); [Noel, Dunia](#); [Abello, Emmanuel](#)
Cc: [Sharon Goei](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Continuance request
Date: Tuesday, April 4, 2023 10:22:21 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
Importance: High

Good Morning Neelima –

The City of Gilroy respectfully requests a continuance of the April 5th LAFCo hearing to June 7th 2023. Additional time is needed to review the LAFCo staff report and to recent letters from the Open Space Authority and the joint letter from CLEAN South Bay, Green Foothills, Greenbelt Alliance, and Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter.

Thank you!

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Gilroy Urban Service Area (USA) Amendment 2021 (Wren Investors & Hewell) - Item 6, 4/5/23 agenda
Attachments: Joint enviro orgs letter - LAFCO Gilroy USA Amendment.pdf

.Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please find attached a joint letter urging **denial** of the proposed Gilroy USA Amendment, signed by the following environmental organizations:

- CLEAN South Bay
- Green Foothills
- Greenbelt Alliance
- Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.



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April 3, 2023

Local Agency Formation Commission of Santa Clara County
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RE: Gilroy Urban Service Area Amendment 2021 (Wren Investors & Hewell)

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please accept these comments on behalf of the undersigned organizations with regard to the Gilroy Urban Service Area (USA) Amendment. We are nonprofit environmental organizations with thousands of supporters in Santa Clara County. We strongly support the staff recommendation and urge you to **deny** the proposed Gilroy USA Amendment.

The Gilroy USA Amendment is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. It would expand Gilroy's urban service area to allow new residential development on agricultural land outside the City, when Gilroy still has years of available residential land for infill development. In addition, Gilroy has not shown that the City is able to adequately provide services such as fire and police protection, wastewater treatment and road maintenance. For these reasons, the Gilroy USA Amendment should be denied.

Approving the Gilroy USA Amendment Would Facilitate Sprawl

LAFCOs were created by the State of California in 1963 in response to the runaway sprawl development that was rampant throughout the state at that time, including in Santa Clara County. This sprawl development not only obliterated farmland and open space, but resulted in poor infrastructure and inadequate provision of services. Cities were unable to adequately provide for and maintain all the land that they had annexed. The results of this lack of planning can be felt today in some cities that still suffer the fiscal impacts of having annexed many square miles of land for residential development that is now costly to service.

LAFCOs are charged with preventing this kind of unwise and costly sprawl development. Annexations and expansions of urban service areas are reviewed by LAFCOs, which are

required to ensure that cities promote compact urban infill growth by not approving any annexations or USA expansions if there is still an adequate supply of available land within the urban footprint for new development (including redevelopment of underutilized parcels). In addition, LAFCOs have the responsibility of judging whether cities will be able to adequately provide urban services to areas proposed to be brought within the USA. Finally, LAFCOs are required to protect farmland by preventing premature conversion of agricultural lands.

The proposed Gilroy USA Amendment is contrary to both the specific requirements and the broad policy basis of LAFCO. Preventing sprawl and promoting urban infill development go hand in hand. The City should be focusing its development in its downtown, transit-oriented areas, not only because there is an 8-year supply of vacant or underutilized residential land already available within the USA, but also because climate resilience and principles of smart growth demand it. Enabling low-density development on a city's edge, as the Gilroy USA Amendment would do, is the exact opposite of climate-resilient growth.

The Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) process emphasizes equity and affirmatively furthering fair housing. This type of low-density sprawl development (the City's proposed zoning would allow 3 DU/acre on the majority of the site) is contrary to these goals.

It is important to note that once these parcels are brought within the city's USA, LAFCO approval will not be required for annexation into the city. Thus, the present USA amendment is the only opportunity for LAFCO to consider whether annexation is appropriate or timely.

The Gilroy USA Amendment Risks Worsening Existing Service Problems

It is LAFCO's responsibility to assess whether the City is able to provide urban services to the subject parcels without detracting from current service levels. In this case, Gilroy's urban services are already impacted in several areas, and further straining those services is likely to worsen those existing problems. These areas include:

Fire and police protection services. The 2019 Master Plan Update by the Gilroy Fire Department found that call processing/dispatch performance is more than 72% slower than best practice standards, and that first-due call-to-arrival performance is significantly slower than best practices to achieve desired outcomes to keep small fires small and to provide lifesaving care in serious medical emergencies. The Master Plan Update further found that "[t]he City does not deploy enough firefighters daily to safely resolve even a single serious fire or EMS incident, or to provide adequate capacity for simultaneous incidents," and concluded that "[t]he City is geographically too large to effectively serve with [the existing] three fire stations."¹ The Update recommended that the city add a fourth fire station in the southwest section of the city as soon as fiscally feasible, and that if the city should expand to the northeast, a fifth fire station in the

¹ 2019 Master Plan Update, City of Gilroy Fire Department, page 6
(<https://www.cityofgilroy.org/DocumentCenter/View/9720/Vol-1---Gilroy-FD-Master-Plan-Update-Report---Final-11-14-19?bidId=>)

northeast section should be seriously considered. (The subject parcels are adjacent to the northeast section of the city.)

The Wren Investors and Hewell Urban Service Area Amendment Plan for Services (“Plan for Services”) submitted by the City to LAFCO states that “tax revenues from the proposed project would not be sufficient to fund additional staffing needs for services that the City would provide to the site” and that funding for future staffing of both the police and fire department would be derived from the General Fund.² According to the Plan for Services, the Gilroy Police Department is not currently meeting the standard for response to community-generated calls for service.³

Roads. The City of Gilroy Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for fiscal years 2021-2025 states: “Most of Gilroy’s roads have received minimal to no treatment in a number of years. The older the pavement of a given roadway, the faster it deteriorates. As a result, the percentage of “Very Poor” streets (PCI 0-25) has increased by 5.6% from 2017 to 2019 while the percentage of “Poor” streets (PCI 25-50) has increased by 10.5%, and the percentage of “Good” streets (PCI 70-100) has decreased by 16.3%. Consequently, the City’s deferred maintenance cost has increased from \$14.9 million in 2017 to \$33.4 million in 2019.”⁴ According to the LAFCO staff report, the estimated costs of all the projects identified in the CIP is approximately \$118M, of which only \$25M is funded in the current CIP. Thus, there is an unfunded backlog of nearly \$100M in capital improvement projects.

Wastewater. The Plan for Services states that future development on the site would connect to the closest sewer main to the site, which is the Joint Morgan Hill-Gilroy Trunk, and states that “modeling of the system shows that during wet weather flow conditions, the Joint Morgan Hill-Gilroy Trunk becomes deficient when Morgan Hill flows are introduced.”⁵ Although a relief trunk line is partially constructed, completion of this line depends on the City of Morgan Hill committing funds to the project.

Negative Fiscal Impact on Both City and County. The Fiscal Impact Analysis of the Gilroy USA Amendment submitted by the city to LAFCO concluded that this project would have a negative fiscal impact on both the City of Gilroy and the County of Santa Clara.⁶ The Plan for Services proposes to meet this shortfall via a community facilities district (CFD). However, it is unknown at this point whether a CFD could ensure adequate funding for these purposes. It should also be noted that a CFD would only mitigate the negative fiscal impact on the City, not the negative fiscal impact on the County.

² Wren Investors and Hewell Urban Service Area Amendment Plan for Services, page 7-4 and 8-3

³ Wren Investors and Hewell Urban Service Area Amendment Plan for Services, page 8-2

⁴ City of Gilroy Capital Improvement Program Fiscal Year 2021 to Fiscal Year 2025, page 6 (<https://www.cityofgilroy.org/DocumentCenter/View/11586/Adopted-CIP-FY21-FY25?bidId=>)

⁵ Wren Investors and Hewell Urban Service Area Amendment Plan for Services, page 4-3

⁶ Fiscal Impact Analysis of the Wren Investors and Hewell Urban Service Area Amendment to the City of Gilroy and the County of Santa Clara, prepared by Applied Development Economics, Inc., 2019

The Gilroy USA Amendment Would Cause Loss of Farmland

The Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority (OSA) has submitted a letter to LAFCO identifying the impacts of the Gilroy USA Amendment to farmland. OSA's letter states in part:

Recent SSURGO [Soil Survey Geographic Database (USDA)] data indicates soil within the Project area includes 38 acres of Farmland of Statewide Importance and 15 acres of Prime Farmland if irrigated and/or protected from flooding. This data more accurately reflects the high farmland potential to better assess impacts to agricultural resources. Additionally, 2018 FMMP data reclassified 37 acres within the Project area to Farmland of Local Importance, indicating the land has significance to the local agricultural economy. This designation, as adopted by the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, includes undeveloped lands mapped as Important Farmland in the past and reflects the capacity for future agricultural production.

It is clear that continued loss of viable farmland in Santa Clara County remains a critical issue for the community and policymakers. Contending influences within the rural-urban interface creates a unique challenge for Santa Clara County farmers. Landowner investment in farmland or agricultural operations may cease in anticipation of development potential, causing more farmland to fall out of Important Farmland designation. As noted in the SCVAP, most agricultural conversions are associated with city annexations in South County. [OSA] echoes LAFCO staff assessment that expansion of urban services and infrastructure as part of a future residential development may threaten the surrounding unincorporated area. Less than a quarter mile north of the Project area is a large block of contiguous Prime Farmland which may be susceptible to the effects of urban sprawl.⁷

We support OSA's assessment of the impacts to farmland of the Gilroy USA Amendment. It should be noted that the state definition of "prime farmland" is dependent on the land being in active irrigation for a period of time. This allows landowners to cause their land to fall out of "prime farmland" designation by refraining from irrigation, purposely in order to avoid mitigation requirements and other regulatory barriers to development. We also note the potential growth-inducing impacts to neighboring farmland that could result from conversion of the subject parcels to development.

⁷ Letter from Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority to LAFCO of Santa Clara County, 3/31/23

We support the LAFCO staff's recommendation and urge the Commissioners to deny the Gilroy USA Amendment. Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,

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ITEM # 7
Supplemental Information No. 3

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Date: Wednesday, May 31, 2023 4:09:32 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[Vacant Land Inventory_052523.pdf](#)
[Gilroy LAFCO USA Policy Consistency Memo.pdf](#)
[Gilroy LAFCO Staff Report Response Matrix.pdf](#)
[Gilroy LAFCO Commission cover letter.pdf](#)

Dear LAFCO staff and Commissioners,

Thank you for taking the time to review the attached cover letter, LAFCO USA Policies Consistency memo, LAFCO Staff Report Response Matrix, and the revised City of Gilroy Vacant Land Inventory.

As you will see in the attached Consistency memo, the City of Gilroy and LAFCO share many of the same goals and policies with respect to preserving viable agricultural lands, orderly growth and development, efficient delivery of services, and fiscal sustainability. These policies have been, currently are, and will continue to be considered throughout the development process for the Wren Investors/Hewell property.

We have reviewed the LAFCO staff report and have provided additional information to help inform your decision. As discussed in the attached Staff Report Response Matrix, updates to the City's Master Plans for water, sewer, and storm drainage were adopted by the Gilroy City Council on April 3, 2023. Furthermore, the draft 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program identifies millions of dollars in funding for a number of Master Plan projects, including streets, water, and sewer infrastructure improvements throughout the City.

As provided in the attached Vacant Land Inventory, the City has approximately 4.2 to 4.5 years of vacant land capacity and approximately 1.2 to 1.5 years of underutilized land capacity, using an 8 to 10-year permit history. The proposed USA expansion infills property surrounded by other residential uses and can therefore be efficiently connected to existing and planned infrastructure.

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Dear Commissioners,

Thank you for taking the time to review this letter, the attached LAFCO USA Policies Consistency memo, LAFCO Staff Report Response Matrix, and the revised City of Gilroy Vacant Land Inventory.

Common Goals: The City of Gilroy and LAFCO share many of the same goals and policies with respect to preserving agricultural lands, orderly growth and development, efficient delivery of services, and fiscal sustainability. These policies have been, currently are, and will continue to be considered throughout the development process for the Wren Investors/Hewell property and the entire Neighborhood District High area within which this property is included. Expansion of the urban service area is only the first step in a very long and detail-driven process.

Preserving agricultural lands: The Wren Investors/Hewell property is not designated as Prime Farmland or Farmland of Statewide Importance under the 2016, 2018, or 2020 Farmlands Mapping and Monitoring Program (FMMP) and is not subject to a Williamson Act contract. In 1996, a joint effort between the City, County, and LAFCO was created to “identify ways to ensure the long-term maintenance of agriculture as a viable land use in the area south and east of Gilroy”. This effort resulted in the *Strategies to Balance Planned Growth and Agricultural Viability in the areas south and east of Gilroy*.

These *Strategies* recognized that the City’s 20-year growth boundary “is one tool that the City of Gilroy uses to plan the timing and location of new development in a responsible and sustainable way” and recommended that “*if the City of Gilroy strengthens its 20-year boundary*”..., “***LAFCO should re-examine its policies regarding requests for expansions to Gilroy’s USA***”.¹ In 2016, a more restrictive Urban Growth Boundary (“UGB”) was approved to protect agriculture and open space, drawing a line between planned urban development and land preservation. Gilroy’s UGB reflects a commitment to prevent development into the agriculturally and environmentally important areas surrounding the City, while allowing development where it makes most sense. The Wren Investors/Hewell properties were included in the UGB, signaling voters support for their development, while protecting viable agricultural land elsewhere in the City’s sphere of influence.

Orderly growth and development: The City respectfully requests that LAFCO honor the intent behind this joint effort to *balance planned growth* and approve the proposed USA expansion which is solely contained within the City’s Urban Growth Boundary. It is apparent, looking at an aerial map, that the Wren/Hewell property is essentially infill development. Surrounding uses include single-family residences, apartment complexes, new housing under construction, and the County Office of Education’s South County Annex. By infilling the abutting development, the Wren/Hewell property can efficiently connect to existing and planned city infrastructure.

¹ *Strategies to Balance Planned Growth and Agricultural Viability in the areas south and east of Gilroy, Page 5 of 12*

Residential uses have been anticipated on these properties for over 30 years and were included in build-out projections for the City's 2020 and 2040 General Plans. Prior to annexation, the City will require the preparation of a **Specific Plan**. The Specific Plan will be developed in compliance with the City's General Plan, Zoning Ordinance, and the **Neighborhood District Policy**, which provide further guidance on the provision of utilities, circulation, open space, site and architectural design, and the provision of affordable housing.

In acting upon a USA amendment request, [LAFCO's filing requirements](#) require the preparation of environmental documentation, such as a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND), to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). An initial study was prepared to evaluate potentially significant adverse environmental effects of the USA amendment. The associated MND included eight mitigation measures to reduce impacts to a less-than-significant level for air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, and noise. Furthermore prior to annexation, the applicant will be required to develop a Specific Plan along with an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) that analyzes the specific details of a future development.

Given the cost and time involved with preparing the Specific Plan and Environmental Impact Report, these documents would only be drafted if LAFCO approves the Urban Service Area amendment. Otherwise, these documents would go stale waiting for the USA amendment.

Efficient delivery of services: The City has anticipated and planned for development of the Wren Investors/Hewell property and the larger Neighborhood District area. The Wren/Hewell **Plan for Services report** demonstrates that existing and planned City infrastructure is sufficient to accommodate the increased demand for services. Updates to the City's **Master Plans for water, sewer, and storm drainage** were adopted by the Gilroy City Council on April 3, 2023 and support this conclusion.

As discussed in the attached Staff Report Response Matrix, the draft **2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program** identifies millions of dollars in funding for a number of Master Plan projects, including streets, water, and sewer infrastructure improvements throughout the City. Furthermore, the City has been working diligently to address fire service needs throughout Gilroy. The recent purchase of two new fire engines and the planned replacement of additional fleet in 2024 has significantly improved the condition of Gilroy's fire division fleet. The City has also recently hired five (5) firefighters and anticipates three (3) additional candidates to fill vacancies, which will significantly improve fire division response times throughout the City and provide full staffing 24/7 for the interim fire station near Christmas Hill Park.

Vacant Land: As provided in the attached Vacant Land Inventory, the City has approximately 4.2 to 4.5 years of vacant land capacity and approximately 1.2 to 1.5 years of underutilized land capacity, using an 8 to 10-year permit history. The proposed expansion infills property surrounded by other residential uses, can be efficiently connected to existing and planned infrastructure, and is consistent with LAFCO's policies as discussed in the attached consistency memo.

Forward Thinking: It is the responsibility of local leaders to be forward thinking and plan for the needs of the future. Gilroy's Urban Growth Boundary protects open space and agricultural uses where it is most viable, and significantly limits Gilroy's expansion potential. Coupled with the current demand for housing at a local and regional level, staff expects that much of Gilroy's vacant land will have developed before the Wren Investors/Hewell property has completed its lengthy entitlement process. Bringing the Wren Investors/Hewell property into Gilroy's urban service area

now will allow Gilroy to have adequate residential land to meet future residential growth requirements.

As outlined in the attached memo, the proposed Urban Service Area amendment is consistent with LAFCO policies and will provide needed housing for the City of Gilroy's future residents. The City of Gilroy looks forward to your consideration of this much needed request.

Respectfully,



Cindy McCormick
City of Gilroy

Attachments:

- LAFCO USA Policy Consistency Memo
- LAFCO Staff Report Response Matrix
- City of Gilroy Vacant Land Inventory, May 25, 2023

GILROY CONSISTENCY WITH LAFCO'S USA AMENDMENT POLICIES

LAFCO has adopted 11 policies related to the review of urban service area amendment requests. The following analysis identifies how the proposed City of Gilroy Wren Investors/Hewell Urban Service Area expansion request is consistent with these policies.

Policy 1. LAFCO will require application of an appropriate general plan designation to territory proposed for inclusion in an Urban Service Area.

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: The Gilroy 2040 General Plan land use designation for the Wren Investors/Hewell property is Neighborhood District High, which is discussed further in this memo.

Policy 2. LAFCO encourages contractual agreements and/or plans between the cities and the County which define:

- a. Growth at the urban fringe; and**
- b. Potential new growth areas.**

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: In order to maintain the long-term viability of agriculture, a multi-jurisdictional approach was established to preserve agricultural land in the southern Santa Clara Valley. This approach led to adoption of [*Strategies to Balance Planned Growth and Agricultural Viability in the areas south and east of Gilroy*](#) (“*Strategies to Balance Planned Growth*”) in 1996. The purpose of the joint effort between the City, County, and LAFCO was to “identify ways to ensure the long-term maintenance of agriculture as a viable land use in the area south and east of Gilroy”. The *Strategies to Balance Planned Growth* contains four basic elements: Strategy 1: Plan for responsible, sustainable development; Strategy 2: Support agricultural viability; Strategy 3: Promote City/County cooperation; and Strategy 4: Monitor implementation.

The *Strategies to Balance Planned Growth* recognized that the City’s 20-year growth boundary “**is one tool that the City of Gilroy uses to plan the timing and location of new development in a responsible and sustainable way**”. In 2016, a more restrictive Urban Growth Boundary (“UGB”) initiative was approved by the voters to protect agriculture and open space, drawing a line beyond which urban development is not allowed. Gilroy’s UGB reflects a commitment to prevent development into the agriculturally and environmentally important areas surrounding the City, while allowing development where it makes most sense.

The *Strategies to Balance Planned Growth* recommended that if the 20-year growth boundary was strengthened, then “**LAFCO should re-examine its policies regarding requests for expansions to Gilroy’s USA**”. The City respectfully requests that LAFCO honor the *Strategies to Balance Planned Growth* and approve the proposed USA expansion which is solely contained within the City’s Urban Growth Boundary.

Policy 3. LAFCO will consider factors included in Government Code section 56668 as well as factors such as the following to determine the local and regional impacts of a proposed Urban Service Area amendment:

Gilroy USA Expansion Consistency with LAFCO's USA Amendment Policies

- a. The ratio of lands planned for residential use to lands planned for employment-producing use.**

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: The Gilroy 2040 General Plan Economic Prosperity Element contains goals, policies, and programs that aim to improve the balance between jobs and Gilroy's workforce, grow businesses within Gilroy, and attract new businesses and industries. The development potential of the Gilroy 2040 General Plan includes up to 6,477 new housing units (single-family and multi-family), an additional population of 19,756, and 21,434 new jobs.

- b. The existence of adequate regional and local transportation capabilities to support the planned city growth;**

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: The Gilroy 2040 General Plan Mobility Element provides the framework for decisions in Gilroy concerning the citywide transportation system. It seeks to create a balanced transportation network that supports and encourages walking, bicycling, and transit ridership. The goals and policies address a variety of topics, including multimodal transportation, complete streets, pedestrian facilities, bikeways, public transit, vehicular transportation, parking, and goods movement. The Wren Investors/Hewell property would be served regionally by US 101, Caltrain passenger train service, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority express bus service, and eventually by high speed rail. Locally, the proposed project would be served by Santa Teresa Boulevard, Monterey Road, Wren Avenue, Church Street, Buena Vista Avenue, Fitzgerald Avenue, other local streets, local bus service, and a bicycle/pedestrian pathway system. New local streets and paths would be constructed within the Wren Investors/Hewell property to serve the new development and connect it to the existing transportation system.

- c. Ability of the city to provide urban services to the growth areas without detracting from current service levels;**

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: The Gilroy 2040 General Plan Public Facilities and Services Element establishes goals and policies to guide the overall provision of public facilities and services in Gilroy. Implementing the policies will help to ensure Gilroy's public facilities and services are efficient and adequate for today and tomorrow. As analyzed in the Wren Investors/Hewell **Plan for Services** and the **2022 Master Plans for water, sewer, and storm drainage**, existing and planned City infrastructure is sufficient to accommodate the increased demand from future development of the Wren Investors/Hewell property. As discussed in this LAFCO policy consistency memo, the **2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program** identifies funding for several Master Plan projects related to water, sewer, and storm drainage. The City will also require formation of a Community Facilities District to mitigate financial impacts from future development of the Wren Investors/Hewell property. In addition, all of the on-site infrastructure for the Wren Investors/Hewell development is the responsibility of the developer to install. The developers would also be responsible for paying impact fees for a proportionate share of any necessary off-site infrastructure improvements.

Gilroy USA Expansion Consistency with LAFCO's USA Amendment Policies

d. The ability of school districts to provide school facilities;

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: The City of Gilroy is served by the Gilroy Unified School District (GUSD), which has elementary, middle, and high schools within the Gilroy Planning Area. General Plan policies support the development of new schools to serve both established and new neighborhoods. Per PFS 11.6 (School Sites), the City would coordinate with the developer and GUSD to ensure that sites are identified as a condition of development approval and incorporated as part of the Neighborhood District planning process. Site location considerations include adjacency to planned open-space corridors, neighborhood park sites, and bike and pedestrian pathways. The developer would also be responsible for the payment of school fees, which are considered by SB 50 to fully mitigate growth impacts to schools.

e. Whether the conversion of agricultural and other open space lands is premature, or if there are other areas into which to channel growth;

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons:

None of the land within the Wren Investors/Hewell property is designated as prime farmland or Prime Farmland or Farmland of Statewide Importance by the California Department of Conservation, as illustrated in the 2016, 2018, and 2020 Santa Clara County Important Farmland maps. Furthermore, the proposed USA expansion area is located within the City's existing Urban Growth Boundary. The Urban Growth Boundary has the purpose of protecting agriculture and open space in areas surrounding the City.

The proposed USA expansion area is also located outside the area designated as Rural County in the City's 2040 General Plan Land Use Diagram. The purpose of the City's Rural County designation is to preserve rural residential, hillside, and productive agricultural land uses located outside areas planned for urban development. While the 1995 Santa Clara County General Plan designates the proposed USA expansion area as "open space reserve", the County General Plan is 25 years old. The open space reserve designation makes little sense given the surrounding uses on the east, northeast, south, and southwest which include single-family residences, apartment complexes, new housing under construction, and the County Office of Education's South County Annex.

f. The role of special districts in providing services;

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: City staff coordinate with Santa Clara Valley Water, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, and other special districts in reviewing new development applications to ensure that land use is planned in a responsible and sustainable manner. Additionally, South County Regional Wastewater Authority (SCRWA) and Valley Water partner together to deliver recycled water to customers in the City of Gilroy. Both of these regional stakeholders, in conjunction with the City, work to maintain and enhance the levels of service for existing customers, while effectively planning for future growth. The City also has an Auto Aid Agreement with the South Santa Clara County Fire Protection District. Through this Agreement, the City of Gilroy already services the Wren/Hewell area on behalf of County Fire.

Gilroy USA Expansion Consistency with LAFCO's USA Amendment Policies

g. Environmental considerations which may apply;

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an initial study was prepared to evaluate any potentially significant adverse effects of the proposed boundary change on the environment. The initial study identified potentially significant impacts in four separate areas; Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, and Noise. The initial study identified eight mitigation measures that would reduce potentially significant impacts to a less-than-significant level. A Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) was adopted by the City of Gilroy and the applicants have agreed to the Mitigation Monitoring Program.

h. The impacts of proposed city expansion upon the County as a provider of services;

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: Upon annexation of the Wren Investors/Hewell property to the City, most services would be provided by the City of Gilroy. However, some services will continue to be provided by the County for all County residents whether in an incorporated City or unincorporated area. These services include the County jail system, health care, social services, and a variety of general government functions such as the Assessor, County Auditor and others.

i. Regional housing needs;

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: California is experiencing a housing supply crisis, with housing demand far outstripping supply. The housing crisis has particularly exacerbated the need for affordable homes at prices below market rates. According to the State Legislature, the housing crisis harms families across California and has resulted in increased poverty and homelessness. Furthermore, the State has found that the excessive cost of housing is partially caused by actions and policies that limit the approval of housing.

It is well known that cities do not build housing; developers do. The City of Gilroy has a developer who is ready and willing to build needed housing. Furthermore, the provision of affordable housing will be a requirement for future development of the property. The City's Neighborhood District Policy requires that 15 percent of housing units be affordable to very low-, low- and moderate-income households. The Neighborhood District is currently the only area in the City that requires affordable housing since the City of Gilroy does not have a city-wide inclusionary policy.

The Neighborhood District Policy helps to ensure that Neighborhood District developments meet General Plan Housing Element objectives. The purpose of Neighborhood Districts is to create neighborhoods that are attractive, safe, diverse, and healthy, containing housing that is affordable to a variety of income groups, thereby enhancing the quality of life for all Gilroy residents. Through the Neighborhood District designation, the City intends to promote a more integrative, comprehensive, and creative approach to neighborhood planning. As discussed later in this memo, the proposal will also affirmatively further fair housing goals by taking meaningful action to replace segregated living patterns with truly integrated and balanced living patterns, transforming racially and ethnically concentrated areas of poverty into areas of opportunity.

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j. Availability of adequate water supply;

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: On April 3, 2023, the City of Gilroy adopted the 2022 Water System Master Plan. The Master Plan identified numerous projects that the City should complete to meet 2040 General Plan build-out requirements. The City has also accumulated significant fund balances to pay for water supply infrastructure. The City's 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program identified \$21,225,056 from the water fund and \$36,292,928 from the water development impact fund to pay for the \$57,517,985 Water System Master Plan Project. This Project includes 13 pipeline replacements, nine (9) new pipeline improvements, three (3) groundwater well improvements, and storage reservoir improvements. These 26 projects would mitigate existing deficiencies in the City's water system and implement improvements to service anticipated future growth throughout the City. The \$57,517,985 Water System Master Plan Project also includes \$11,503,600 for design work and \$575,187 for CEQA compliance.

k. Consistency with city or county general and specific plans.

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons:

Gilroy 2040 General Plan. The City's General Plan was adopted in November 2020. The following General Plan policies relate to Urban Service Area amendments and to the City's growth and change. The proposed USA expansion does not require any amendments to the text, policies, or land uses in the Gilroy 2040 General Plan. A new Specific Plan will be required for the Wren Investors/Hewell property prior to annexation.

Land Use Goal LU 1: Protect and enhance Gilroy's quality of life and unique identity while continuing to grow and change.

USA Consistency: Residential uses have been anticipated on these properties for over 30 years and were included in build-out projections for the City's 2020 and 2040 General Plans. When the Urban Growth Boundary was approved by the voters in 2016, it did not exclude the Wren Investors/Hewell property from future development. The Neighborhood District Policy and development of a Specific Plan for the Wren Investors/Hewell property will ensure that future development of the area will protect and enhance Gilroy's quality of life and unique identity.

LU 1.1: Pattern of Development. Ensure an orderly, contiguous pattern of development that prioritizes infill development, phases new development, encourages compactness and efficiency, preserves surrounding open space and agricultural resources, and avoids land use incompatibilities.

USA Consistency: The proposed Urban Service Area amendment would provide a contiguous pattern of development because it logically extends Gilroy's Urban Service Area boundary along Cohansey Avenue, Vickery Avenue, Wren Avenue, Kern Avenue, and Tatum Avenue. Prior to approval of annexation and other land use entitlements, a Specific Plan shall be prepared for the entire Neighborhood District area. The Specific Plan shall be consistent with the Neighborhood District Policy, which provides guidance on topics including phasing of development, location and mix of uses, site and architectural design, affordable housing, circulation, and open space.

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***LU 1.2: Residential Growth.** Encourage new residential development to locate within the existing Urban Service Area prior to considering expansion of the Urban Service Area.*

USA Consistency: Gilroy's Urban Growth boundary significantly limits Gilroy's expansion potential. Coupled with the current demand for housing at a local and regional level, staff expects that much of Gilroy's vacant and underutilized land will be developed before the Wren Investors/Hewell property has completed its lengthy entitlement process. Bringing the Wren Investors/Hewell property into Gilroy's urban service area now will allow Gilroy to have adequate residential land to meet future residential growth requirements.

***LU 1.5: Uses East of U.S. 101.** Prohibit all residential uses on lands east of U.S. 101 and designate the area for industrial and agricultural uses, employment centers, compatible commercial development, and public and quasi-public facilities.*

USA Consistency: The USA expansion area is located west of US 101.

***LU 1.6: Areas with Fragmented Property Ownership.** Encourage coordinated development in areas where a fragmentation of property ownership poses potential impediments for orderly and efficient development (e.g., layout of streets, lots, utilities). Projects where such impediments are identified shall demonstrate good faith effort to acquire and consolidate adjacent parcels in cases where to do so would improve the development potential of the project, consistent with the General Plan policies and other City development standards.*

USA Consistency: All property owners of the 15 parcels located in the proposed USA expansion area have entered into an agreement to proceed with the USA and future annexation application. Per the agreement, all 15 parcels will be owned by a single property owner in order to ensure an orderly and efficient process.

***LU 1.8: Vacant and Underutilized Sites.** Monitor vacant and underutilized residential and non-residential land to encourage infill development on those sites.*

USA Consistency: The most recent city survey of vacant and underutilized *non-residential* land was completed in February 2021. The most recent city survey of vacant and underutilized residential land was completed in May 2023 and illustrates that the existing Gilroy USA can accommodate approximately 4.2 years of residential growth on vacant land, or approximately 5.4 years of residential growth on vacant and underutilized land, assuming an average of 326 permits are issued per year (8-year average).

***LU 1.10: Urban Service Area Amendments.** Accept and evaluate applications for inclusion in the Urban Service Area annually in light of General Plan policies promoting infill development and efficient and cost-effective provision of urban services.*

USA Consistency: It is apparent, looking at an aerial map, that the Wren Investors/Hewell property is essentially infill development. The Wren Investors/Hewell property is adjacent to single-family residences, apartment complexes, new housing under construction, and the County Office of Education's South County Annex to the east, northeast, south, and southwest. The Wren/Hewell

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proposal infills the abutting development, allowing for an efficient connection to existing and planned city infrastructure.

LU 1.11: Contiguous Development. *Strongly discourage development that is not contiguous with existing urban development.*

USA Consistency: The proposed USA amendment area borders on existing urban development within Gilroy City limits.

LU 1.12: Interagency Coordination for Growth Management. *Work with Santa Clara County and other South Valley communities to ensure a regional approach to growth management. Also work with the County to discourage land subdivision and development activities in areas outside the Urban Service Area but within the sphere-of-influence that might undermine the future urban development potential of those lands. The 1990 South County Joint Area Plan, adopted by Santa Clara County, the City of Gilroy, and the City of Morgan Hill shall serve as a reference of recommended policies and approaches to continue this work.*

USA Consistency: The *South County Joint Area Plan* was adopted in 1990 and had a 15-year planning horizon, through 2005. With regard to “Urban Growth and Development”, *South County Joint Area Plan Policy SC 1.2* recognized that “... *Both the areas needed for future urban development and the areas to be kept in long-term rural land uses or open space should be identified.*” The Wren Investors/Hewell properties are located within the City’s Urban Growth Boundary, which draws a line beyond which urban development is not allowed, protecting agriculture and open space where it makes most sense. The proposed USA expansion area is located outside the area designated as “Rural County” and “Open Space” in the Gilroy 2040 General Plan. The purpose of the City’s “Rural County” designation is to preserve rural residential, hillside, and productive agricultural land uses located outside areas planned for urban development. The City’s “Open Space” designation is applied to areas where urban development is either inappropriate or undesirable. Specifically, it is intended to preserve and protect lands that are considered environmentally unsuitable for development, including natural resource areas such as the Uvas Creek and Llagas Creek corridors and the southwestern foothills and hazardous areas such as fault zones and floodways.

Per Policy 1.3, conditions of population/employment growth and land development should be regularly monitoredto assess the demand for additional urban development, and to determine when it would be appropriate to plan for more extensive urban development in the South County. A lot has happened since the South County Joint Area Plan was adopted over 30 years ago. The State has declared that California is in a housing crisis and that local governments must do more to accelerate housing production and remove constraints that hinder housing development. The City of Gilroy has designated the Wren Investors/Hewell properties for urban land uses since 1968 and applied the Neighborhood District land use district to the properties in 2002.

LU 1.16: Urban Growth Boundary Implementation. *Until December 31, 2040, the General Plan provisions, as adopted by the Gilroy Urban Growth Boundary Initiative, may not be amended or repealed except by a vote of the people.*

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USA Consistency: The USA expansion area is entirely within the Urban Growth Boundary and is consistent with General Plan policies as discussed throughout this memo.

LU 8.8: Clustered Development. Encourage clustered development as a strategy for achieving desired densities while protecting fragile environmental habitats or natural features creating amenity open spaces and achieving other community design goals.

USA Consistency: The City's General Plan land use designation for the Wren Investors/Hewell property is Neighborhood District High. The Neighborhood District will consist of compact, complete, neighborhood-style development with a mix of single-family, medium- to high-density residential uses, and commercial uses. Commercial and medium- to high-density residential uses will be clustered to form neighborhood centers that will be centrally located to be convenient to as many residents as possible. Residents can access neighborhood centers easily by walking, biking, or driving. Neighborhood-serving amenities such as schools, parks, open space, and neighborhood commercial will be integrated in the neighborhood design in a manner that provides the greatest benefit to the community.

LU 2.1: Specific Plans. Require the development of specific plans for new development on land designated Neighborhood District North and Neighborhood District South.

USA Consistency: The applicant will be required to prepare a comprehensive Specific Plan in accordance with State Planning Law (Government Code 65450) and the City's General Plan and Zoning Ordinance. The Specific Plan shall be consistent with the Neighborhood District Policy.

Santa Clara County General Plan: The Wren Investors/Hewell unincorporated property has a Santa Clara County General Plan land use designation of Open-Space Reserve. The County General Plan was adopted in 1994 and has six (6) policies related to the Open Space Reserve land use designation.

County R-LU 45: Open Space Reserve (OSR) lands include rural unincorporated areas contiguous to a city Urban Service Area (USA) for which no permanent land use designation was applied pending future joint studies by affected jurisdictions of desired long term land use patterns.

USA Consistency: The City of Gilroy has designated the Wren Investors/Hewell properties for urban land uses since 1968 and applied the Neighborhood District land use district to the properties in 2002. The proposed USA expansion area is located outside the area designated by the City of Gilroy as "Rural County" and "Open Space". The purpose of the City's Rural County designation is to preserve rural residential, hillside, and productive agricultural land uses located outside areas planned for urban development, while the Open Space designation is applied to areas where urban development is either inappropriate or undesirable. Specifically, it is intended to preserve and protect lands that are considered environmentally unsuitable for development, including natural resource areas such as the Uvas Creek and Llagas Creek corridors and the southwestern foothills and hazardous areas such as fault zones and floodways.

County R-LU 46: Allowable uses shall consist of agriculture and open space uses.

USA Consistency: Agricultural and open space uses on the Wren Investors/Hewell properties make little sense given their individual lot sizes and infill characteristics. As provided in *County Policy R-*

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LU 48 below, the minimum lot size for the Open Space Reserve (OSR) shall be 20 acres. This minimum threshold makes sense from a viability standpoint. However, 13 of the 15 properties are less than six (6) acres in size, with the remaining two (2) being approximately 9.3 acres and 18.3 acres in size. Furthermore, per County General Plan Policy R-RC 64, “*As the means and resources become available, agricultural areas of greatest long-term viability should be designated for long term or possibly permanent preservation from urban development. Areas such as the lands south and east of Gilroy should be considered for designation and preservation.*” This Policy is consistent with *Strategies to Balance Planned Growth and Agricultural Viability in the areas south and east of Gilroy*, a joint effort between the City, County, and LAFCO to “identify ways to ensure the long-term maintenance of agriculture as a viable land use in the area south and east of Gilroy”. The Wren Investors / Hewell property is not located in the identified areas south and east of Gilroy.

County R-LU 47: *No commercial, industrial, or institutional uses shall be allowed.*

USA Consistency: Following annexation into the City, neighborhood-serving amenities such as schools, parks, open space, and neighborhood commercial will be integrated in the neighborhood design in a manner that provides the greatest benefit to the community.

County R-LU 48: *No parcels of less than 20 acres shall be created.*

USA Consistency: Given that all 15 parcels are less than 20 acres in size, it makes little sense to retain them for open space or agricultural uses. As noted above, 13 of the 15 properties are less than six (6) acres in size, with the remaining two being approximately 9.3 acres and 18.3 acres in size.

County R-LU 49: *For lands within the vicinity of the City of Gilroy designated OSR, joint studies should be conducted to resolve and define: a. areas to be reserved for future urban growth; b. areas to be reserved for long term agricultural use; and c. other planning objectives identified within the South County Joint Area Plan deemed appropriate to the OSR areas.*

USA Consistency: The proposed USA expansion is consistent with the *Strategies to Balance Planned Growth and Agricultural Viability in the areas south and east of Gilroy*. The purpose of this joint effort between the City, County, and LAFCO was to “identify ways to ensure the long-term maintenance of agriculture as a viable land use in the area south and east of Gilroy”.

Per *South County Joint Area Plan Policy SC 1.8*, *Urban growth should be managed and scheduled consistent with the ability to provide public facilities and services, such as sewer capacity, water, transportation, schools, public safety and other urban services.* Per *Policy SC 1.12*, *Expansion of urban service areas and annexations should be based on general plans and be consistent with the Cities' schedules for development and extension of services.* The 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program fully funds expansion of the South County Regional Wastewater Authority (SCRWA). The SCRWA expansion project is anticipated to be complete in 2026. The ongoing operational costs necessary to manage the increased capacity due to the City's growth will be offset by the increased fees associated with the growth. Furthermore, as described on page 14 of this document, the 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program identifies funding for the Water System Master Plan Project which includes 26 individual projects throughout the City intended to mitigate existing deficiencies in the City's water system and implement improvements to service anticipated future growth. The

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2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program also identifies funding for the Sewer System Master Plan Project, which includes 16 individual projects in 6 system areas throughout the City intended to mitigate existing deficiencies in the City's sewer system and implement improvements to service anticipated future growth throughout the City.

Per Policy SC 5.1, Cities should provide an urban level of services and facilities to urban areas. Strategies that help achieve this objective and are already partially or fully in use include: a. requiring that the timing and location of future urban development be based upon the availability of public services and facilities, b. requiring new development to pay all of the incremental public service costs which it generates, and, c. requiring developers to dedicate land and/ or pay to offset the costs relating to the provision and expansion of public services and facilities. The Wren Investors/Hewell development would begin construction after the SCRWA expansion project is complete and after the City anticipates beginning the Water Master Plan infrastructure project. Future residents would be required to pay incremental public service costs through a Community Facilities District, while the developers would be required to construct the needed infrastructure or pay impact fees to offset the costs relating to the provision and expansion of public services and facilities.

County R-LU 50: For lands within the vicinity of the City of San Jose designated OSR, joint studies should be conducted to define and resolve issues of mutual interest for the South Almaden Valley and nearby hillsides areas.

USA Consistency: This policy is not applicable.

Policy 4. LAFCO will consider the applicable service reviews and discourage urban service area amendments that undermine adopted service review determinations or recommendations.

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: LAFCO's most recent municipal service review for Gilroy was approved by LAFCO in December 2015. At that time, LAFCO found that core municipal services are mainly delivered by City staff. LAFCO also noted that the City of Gilroy does not anticipate obstacles to maintaining existing service levels or meeting immediate infrastructure needs, given the growth and population increases projected.

Policy 5. When a city with a substantial supply of vacant land within its Urban Service Area applies for an Urban Service Area expansion, LAFCO will require an explanation of why the expansion is necessary, why infill development is not undertaken first, and how an orderly, efficient growth pattern, consistent with LAFCO mandates, will be maintained.

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: The area proposed for USA expansion is included in the City's Urban Growth Boundary (UGB). The UGB sponsors were very concerned about urban sprawl and agricultural land preservation, but also acknowledged the need for sufficient housing and job opportunities in the city. The UGB Initiative text explicitly states that it "will not limit Gilroy's ability to continue to meet the housing needs of all economic segments of the population, including lower- and moderate-income households".

The attached and updated Vacant Land Inventory illustrates that the existing Gilroy USA can accommodate approximately **4.2 years of residential growth on vacant land**, or approximately 5.4 years of residential growth on vacant and underutilized land, assuming an average of 326 permits are

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issued per year (8-year average). Although the city currently has a 4.2 to 5.4-year supply of residential land, staff anticipates that most of that land would develop before the Wren Investors/Hewell property has completed its lengthy entitlement process. Bringing the Wren Investors/Hewell property into Gilroy's urban service area now will allow Gilroy to have adequate residential land to meet future residential growth requirements.

California is in the midst of a housing supply and affordability crisis. The California legislature and Governor have responded to the crisis in part by requiring more actions by local government, including making suitable lands available for new housing.

As provided in **the attached Vacant Land Survey**, 199 of the units are estimated in the City's Hillside Residential area which are more costly and difficult to build given environmental constraints (e.g., protected habitat, steep slopes, and limited access). For example, site H-10 (Country Estates Phase IV) has significant access constraints and was previously denied a development permit for a proposed 61 unit subdivision. Much of the Hillside Residential area is also considered Wildland Urban Interface which has a higher risk for fire. Another 377 of the units are located in the Glen Loma Ranch and Hecker Pass Specific Plan areas, which are expected to be built out over the next five years. This leaves an estimated 792 units on vacant land (2.4-year supply) or approximately 1,183 units on vacant and underutilized land (3.6-year supply), assuming an average of 326 permits are issued per year (eight-year average). While it may be theoretically possible to accommodate these units entirely through "infill development", such an action is realistically infeasible. In fact, the City has already experienced that theory does not always translate to reality. For example, only 29 units on the parcel identified as "M-1" are actually being built, as opposed to the 56 units that were estimated in the April 2021 vacant land inventory. (note that 10 of the 29 permits have already been issued).

Policy 6. The Commission will discourage Urban Service Area expansions which include agricultural or other open space land unless the city has accomplished one of the following:

- a. Demonstrated to LAFCO that effective measures have been adopted for protecting the open space or agricultural status of the land. Such measures may include, but not limited to, the establishment of agricultural preserves pursuant to the California Land Conservation Act, the adoption of city/County use agreements or applicable specific plans, the implementation of clustering or transfer-of-development-rights policies; evidence of public acquisition; or**
- b. Demonstrated to LAFCO that conversion of such lands to other than open space uses is necessary to promote the planned, orderly, efficient development of the city.**

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons:

None of the land within the Wren/Hewell property is designated as Prime Farmland or farmland of Statewide Importance by the California Department of Conservation, as illustrated in the 2016, 2018, and 2020 Santa Clara County Important Farmland maps. Furthermore, the Wren Investors/Hewell property is outside the agricultural preservation area identified in the *Strategies to Balance Planned Growth and Agricultural Viability in the areas south and east of Gilroy*, a joint effort between the City, County, and LAFCO. The proposed USA expansion area is located within the City's existing

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Urban Growth Boundary, which has the purpose of protecting the agriculture and open space character of the surrounding areas.

Policy 7. The Commission will consider whether an Urban Service Area amendment leading to the conversion of agricultural or other open space land, will adversely affect the agricultural or open space resources of the County. Factors to be studied include, but are not limited to:

- a. The agricultural significance of the amendment area relative to other agricultural lands in the region (soil, climate, water-related problems, parcel size, current land use, crop value, Williamson Act contracts, etc.);**
- b. The economic viability of use of the land for agriculture;**
- c. Whether public facilities, such as roads, would be extended through or adjacent to other agricultural lands in order to provide services to anticipated development in the amendment area or whether the public facilities would be sized or situated to impact other agricultural lands in the area;**
- d. Whether the amendment area is adjacent to or surrounded by existing urban or residential development.**

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons:

None of the land within the Wren/Hewell property is designated as prime farmland or Prime Farmland or Farmland of Statewide Importance by the California Department of Conservation, as illustrated in the 2016, 2018, and 2020 Santa Clara County Important Farmland maps. No parcels within the proposed USA expansion area are subject to a Williamson Act contract. The proposed USA expansion area is also located within the City's existing Urban Growth Boundary, which has the purpose of protecting the agriculture and open space character of the surrounding areas. Approximately 11,763 acres of land in Gilroy's Sphere of Influence is located outside the City's Urban Growth Boundary, including Prime Farmland and Farmland of Statewide Importance.

The Wren Investors/Hewell property is located between other residential uses and can be easily serviced by new utilities that would not extend through any designated agricultural land.

Policy 8. If an Urban Service Area proposal includes the conversion of open space lands or agricultural lands, LAFCO strongly encourages the city to develop effective mitigation measures to address the loss of the agricultural and open space lands. LAFCO will require an explanation of why the inclusion of agricultural and open space lands is necessary and how the loss of such lands will be mitigated. Mitigation measures include, but are not limited to: the acquisition and dedication of farmland, development rights, open space and conservation easements to permanently protect adjacent and other agricultural lands within the county, participation in other development programs such as transfer or purchase of development rights, payments to recognized government and non-profit organizations for such purposes, and establishment of buffers to shield agricultural operations from the effects of development.

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: While the City has an adopted Agricultural Mitigation Policy, the Wren Investors/Hewell property is not subject

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to the Policy because the property is not considered by the State of California to be Prime Farmland or Farmland of Statewide Importance.

Policy 9. Where appropriate, LAFCO will consider adopted policies advocating maintenance of greenbelts or other open space around cities in reviewing Urban Service Area amendments.

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: The Urban Growth Boundary (“UGB”) initiative was approved by the voters to protect agriculture and open space, drawing a line beyond which urban development is not allowed. Gilroy’s UGB reflects a commitment to prevent development into the agriculturally and environmentally important areas surrounding the City, while allowing development where it makes most sense. The UGB also decreased the level of development in Gilroy, as estimated below:

- Less potential residential development (reductions of 2,929 units compared to the 2020 General Plan and 4,344 compared to the previously considered 2040 Draft Plan).
- Less potential non-residential development (reductions of 8,313,344 square feet compared to the 2020 General Plan and 4,002,197 square feet compared to the previously considered 2040 Draft Plan).
- A decline in potential jobs, labor income, and economic output (reductions of 45% compared to the 2020 General Plan and 13-14% compared to the previously considered 2040 Draft Plan).
- A decline in potential construction jobs, labor income, and economic output from construction (reductions of 30% compared to the 2020 General Plan and 25% compared to the previously considered 2040 Draft Plan).
- Roadway network changes that would increase the City's Traffic Impact Fee by approximately 40% over current fees.
- Less General Fund revenue, including reductions in sales and property tax revenues. However, lower service populations would lead to reduced expenditures for City services.

Policy 10. LAFCO will require evidence that an adequate water supply is available to the amendment areas and that water proposed to be provided to new areas does not include supplies needed for unserved properties already within the city, the city’s Urban Service Area or other properties already charged for city water services. In determining water availability, LAFCO will evaluate, review and consider:

- a. **The city’s plan for water service to the area and statement of existing water supply in terms of number of service units available; service units currently allocated; number of service units within city (and current USA) boundaries that are anticipating future service and service units needed for amendment area.**
- b. **Whether the city is able to provide adequate water supply to the amendment area in the next 5 years, including drought years, while reserving capacity for areas within the city and Urban Service Area that have not yet developed.**
- c. **Whether the city is capable of providing adequate services when needed to areas already in the city, in the city’s Urban Service Area or to other properties entitled to service.**

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- d. If capacity is not reserved for unserved property within the city and its Urban Service Area boundary, the current estimate of potential unserved properties and related water supply needs**
- e. Whether additional infrastructure and or new water supplies are necessary to accommodate future development or increases in service demand. If so, whether plans, permits and financing plans are in place to ensure that infrastructure and supply are available when necessary including compliance with required administrative and legislated processes, such as CEQA review, CEQA mitigation monitoring plans, or State Water Resources Board allocation permits. If permits are not current or in process, or allocations approved, whether approval is expected.**
- f. Whether facilities or services comply with environmental and safety standards so as to permit acquisition, treatment, and distribution of necessary water.**

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: Cities rely on water master plans to assess the current operations and functionality of a City's existing water system and to help meet the future water needs of the community. On April 3, 2023, the City of Gilroy adopted the 2022 Water System Master Plan. The Master Plan is intended to serve as a tool for planning and phasing the construction of future domestic water system infrastructure for the projected buildout of the City. This Master Plan also evaluates the City's domestic water system and recommends capacity improvements necessary to service the needs of existing users and for servicing the future growth of the city. The Master Plan identified numerous projects that the City should complete to meet 2040 General Plan build-out requirements. The City has also accumulated significant fund balances to pay for water supply infrastructure. The City's 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program identified \$21,225,056 from the water fund and \$36,292,928 from the water development impact fund to pay for the \$57,517,985 Water System Master Plan Project. This Project includes 13 pipeline replacements, nine (9) new pipeline improvements, three (3) groundwater well improvements, and storage reservoir improvements. These 26 projects would mitigate existing deficiencies in the City's water system and implement improvements to service anticipated future growth throughout the City. The \$57,517,985 Water System Master Plan Project also includes \$11,503,600 for design work and \$575,187 for CEQA compliance.

Policy 11. LAFCO will discourage proposals that undermine regional housing needs plans, reduce affordable housing stock, or propose additional urbanization without attention to affordable housing needs. LAFCO will consider:

- a. Whether the proposal creates conditions that promote local and regional policies and programs intended to remove or minimize impediments to fair housing including city/county general plan housing elements, Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing or Consolidated Plans for Housing and Community Development and ABAG's regional housing needs assessment and related policies.**

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: The City's Neighborhood District Policy helps to ensure that Neighborhood District developments meet fair housing objectives. The purpose of Neighborhood Districts is to create neighborhoods that are attractive, safe, diverse, and healthy, containing housing that is affordable to a variety of income

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groups, thereby enhancing the quality of life for all Gilroy residents. Through the Neighborhood District General Plan designation, the City hopes to promote a more integrative, comprehensive, and creative approach to neighborhood planning. Therefore, the proposal would affirmatively further fair housing goals by taking meaningful action to replace segregated living patterns with truly integrated and balanced living patterns, transforming racially and ethnically concentrated areas of poverty into areas of opportunity.

- b. Whether the proposal introduces urban uses into rural areas thus increasing the value of currently affordable rural area housing and reducing regional affordable housing supply.**

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: The Wren Investors/Hewell property is already adjacent to a number of relatively new housing developments and new housing under construction. The Neighborhood District Policy also requires a minimum of 15 percent of the homes in the proposed development be affordable. Therefore, the project, as conceptually proposed, would include 46 affordable units (15% of 307 units). This equates to approximately 3 affordable units per each of the 15 parcels in the proposed USA, which would offset any loss of existing affordable rural housing.

- c. Whether the proposal directs growth away from agricultural / open space lands towards infill areas and encourages development of vacant land adjacent to existing urban areas thus decreasing infrastructure costs and potentially housing construction costs.**

The USA amendment application is consistent with this policy for the following reasons: As discussed throughout this document, the Wren/Hewell property is not designated as Prime Farmland or Farmland of Statewide Importance under the 2016, 2018, and 2020 Farmlands Mapping and Monitoring Program and is not subject to a Williamson Act contract. The Wren Investors/Hewell property is outside the agricultural preservation area identified in the *Strategies to Balance Planned Growth and Agricultural Viability in the areas south and east of Gilroy*. The proposed USA expansion area is also located outside the area designated by the City of Gilroy as “Rural County” and “Open Space”.

The City of Gilroy anticipates that much of the vacant and underutilized land in the City will be entitled over the next five years, as Gilroy's Urban Growth boundary significantly limits Gilroy's expansion potential, coupled with the current demand for housing at a local and regional level. Bringing the Wren Investors/Hewell property into Gilroy's urban service area now will allow Gilroy to have adequate residential land to meet future residential growth requirements after the Wren/Hewell development goes through its lengthy entitlement process. Finally, the Wren Investors/Hewell property is located at the current USA boundary and can easily be serviced by new utilities.

CITY OF GILROY RESPONSE TO LAFCO STAFF REPORT, DATED APRIL 5, 2023

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<p>It appears the City is still in the process of updating its Zoning Ordinance consistent with its current General Plan and is yet to update its master plans for critical services such as fire, water, sewer, stormwater drainage.</p>	<p>The City’s Zoning Ordinance is anticipated to be adopted by the end of the 2023 calendar year. The USA amendment is not affected by any proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance. The Zoning Ordinance will be consistent with the 2040 General Plan. The USA Amendment is consistent with the 2040 General Plan, so the timing of the zoning ordinance adoption should have no bearing on the LAFCO decision.</p> <p>The City Council adopted updated comprehensive Master Plans for the City’s sewer system, water system, and storm drainage system on April 3, 2023, to reflect current land use conditions. Each of these Master Plans are consistent with the Gilroy 2040 General Plan.</p>
<p>Furthermore, the conceptual nature of this proposal and the lack of details on service provision limits a full review of the proposal by LAFCO at this stage. The USA amendment process is the only opportunity for LAFCO to evaluate whether it is appropriate to include the land for urbanization because once the land is included in the City’s USA, LAFCO approval is not required for annexing the land to the city. Therefore, if sufficient details are not available at the time of CEQA analysis and USA amendment application, it hinders LAFCO’s ability to properly analyze the application.</p>	<p>The City of Gilroy submitted a Plan for Services that includes LAFCOs written submittal requirements for the Plan for Services in compliance with the Cortese Knox Act (Government Code Section 56653).</p> <p>In addition, this response matrix provides a response to LAFCO’s staff report comments about the City’s provision of services. The 2022 Master Plans for the City’s sewer, water, and storm drainage systems have been thoroughly analyzed to address comments raised in the LAFCO staff report.</p> <p>This response matrix provides the LAFCO Commissioners with the information needed to determine that the City has adequately planned for the provision of services to these parcels. Furthermore, there is nothing in the updated Master Plans that change the outcome of the City’s determination that potentially significant impacts from adding these parcels</p>

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	to the City’s USA can be mitigated to a less than significant level.
<p>The amount of vacant land already within the USA and the amount of future growth the land could support is therefore of vital importance in determining whether the addition of more land for urban uses is necessary or premature. Historically and by past practice, the analysis to determine this involves the following three steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of an inventory of all vacant or underutilized land (i.e., lands that have no active building permit and are undeveloped and/or underutilized) designated for the proposed uses within the city. • Determination of the number of units that could potentially be built on the land based on the maximum potential buildout permitted by the city’s land use and zoning designations for the land. • Calculation of the rate of absorption of the vacant land or years of supply based on a 10-year average of the city’s building permit activity. (vacant acreage divided by number of units per year equals years of supply) 	<p>Availability of Vacant Lands within Existing Boundaries. Unlike LAFCO’s written details for submitting a Plan for Services, there is very little information on the Santa Clara County LAFCO website or within its documents regarding Vacant Land Inventories. According to LAFCO’s application submittal requirements, “<i>USA amendment proposals must include a Vacant Lands Inventory identifying vacant lands within the city limits and its urban service area for specific land use designations, and the rate of absorption of vacant lands. If the amount of vacant land exceeds a five-year supply, explanation is required for why the expansion is necessary and how an orderly and efficient growth pattern will be maintained.</i>”</p> <p>The Santa Clara County LAFCO does not define “vacant land” on their website, or within their adopted policies, or within its application submittal requirements. This lack of a codified definition was identified in the 2016-2017 Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury Report titled <i>LAFCO Denials: A High School Caught In The Middle</i>.</p> <p>Recommendation 1a of the Civil Grand Jury Report states that <i>the Local Agency Formation Commission should amend its Urban Service Area Policies to define "vacant land," "premature conversion of agricultural lands," and "adequacy of urban services."</i></p> <p>On August 16, 2017, LAFCO staff provided a response to the Civil Grand Jury, stating that “<i>This recommendation requires further analysis and will be considered during</i></p>

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	<p><i>LAFCO’s comprehensive review of its policies which is anticipated to begin within the next six months. LAFCO’s current work plan calls for a comprehensive review and update of its policies with the intent of strengthening them to enable LAFCO to better meet its legislative mandate; and to further clarify alignment and consistency of the policies with state law, long-standing countywide growth management policy framework, and regional plans and goals.”</i></p> <p>LAFCO’s response to the Grand Jury Report was written well over five years ago. To date, these definitions have not been adopted or even provided on the LAFCO website.</p> <p>In lieu of a LAFCO definition for “vacant” land, the City of Gilroy turns to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), whose approval is required before a local government can adopt its Housing Element as part of its overall General Plan. (see next section)</p> <p>Furthermore, while LAFCO staff has requested that the City include “underutilized land” in Gilroy’s Vacant Land Inventory, there is no LAFCO definition for “underutilized land” and there is no reference to underutilized land in LAFCOs USA Policies or within its application submittal requirements.</p> <p>Similarly, there is nothing in LAFCO’s policies or submittal requirements that dictate the methodology that should be used to determine the number of units that could be developed on vacant land. While the LAFCO staff report indicates that the City of Gilroy should use the maximum potential buildout for making this determination, this is not consistent with actual development in the City</p>

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	<p>of Gilroy. Furthermore, as defined in the Gilroy General Plan, “net acreage” of land available to accommodate residential uses is “normally 20 to 25 percent less for a given area than gross acreage”, after accommodating streets, public right-of-ways, non-residential land uses and other public facilities. Therefore, it is unrealistic to multiply the “gross acreage” of a site by the maximum density allowed under the Gilroy General Plan.</p> <p>Likewise, the use of a 10-year average of the city’s building permit activity is not provided in any LAFCO policy or submittal requirement, even though the LAFCO staff report refers to such an average.</p> <p>Given the lack of a codified definition within LAFCOs policies or within its application submittal requirements, and given LAFCO’s policy to not undermine regional housing needs (policy #11), the City of Gilroy requests that the LAFCO Commissioners consider only vacant land capacity in determining whether to approve the requested USA amendment.</p> <p>The attached and updated Vacant Land Inventory illustrates that the existing Gilroy USA can accommodate approximately 4.2 years of residential growth on vacant land, assuming an average of 326 permits are issued per year (8-year average) or approximately 4.5 years of residential growth on vacant land, assuming an average of 306 permits are issued per year (ten-year average).</p>
<p>In response to LAFCO staff’s request for information on acreages of the vacant land identified in the second inventory, the City submitted an entirely new third inventory dated 10/18/22. While the first two inventories were generally in accordance with LAFCO’s methodology for inventorying vacant land and used</p>	<p>There is no written LAFCO “methodology” for inventorying vacant land or for determining the rate of absorption of vacant lands within LAFCOs USA Policies or within its application submittal requirements.</p> <p>However, LAFCOs USA Policies do state that “LAFCO will discourage proposals that</p>

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<p>LAFCO’s definition for vacant land, the third inventory excluded underutilized land, thus significantly reducing the inventory.</p> <p>The City has indicated that it removed underutilized properties from its 10/18/22 vacant land inventory consistent with the California Department of Housing and Community Development’s (HCD) definition of vacant land. However, this is inconsistent with LAFCO’s methodology for inventorying vacant land which LAFCO has used historically, and that the City itself has used in its first two inventories. The reason LAFCO’s definition of vacant land includes underutilized land is to promote more efficient use of such land within the city’s current boundaries prior to adding more lands to the city’s boundaries, which is different from HCD’s intent and requirements.</p>	<p>undermine regional housing needs plans, reduce affordable housing stock, or propose additional urbanization without attention to affordable housing needs.” LAFCO’s policy also states that “LAFCO will consider whether the proposal creates conditions that promote local and regional policies and programs intended to remove or minimize impediments to fair housing including city/ county general plan housing elements, Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing or Consolidated Plans for Housing and Community Development and ABAG’s regional housing needs assessment and related policies.”</p> <p>The City is currently undergoing an update of its Housing Element to accommodate the City’s Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) for the 2023-2031 planning cycle. As part of that effort, the City and their housing consultants reviewed vacant residential land that could be included in the City’s Housing Element RHNA Sites Inventory. To help in this effort, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) prepared a Housing Element Site Inventory Guidebook for developing “an inventory of land suitable and available for residential development to meet the locality’s regional housing need.” The Guidebook defines a vacant site as “a site without any houses, offices, buildings, or other significant improvements on it. Improvements are generally defined as development of the land (such as a paved parking lot, or income production improvements such as crops, high voltage power lines, oil-wells, etc.) or structures on a property that are permanent and add significantly to the value of the property.” Furthermore, page 24 of the HCD Guidebook states that “underutilized sites are not vacant sites”.</p>

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	<p>Given the lack of a codified definition within LAFCOs policies or within its application submittal requirements, and given LAFCO’s policy to not undermine regional housing needs (policy #11), the City of Gilroy requests that the LAFCO Commissioners consider only vacant land capacity in determining whether to approve the requested USA amendment.</p> <p>As provided in the attached Vacant Land Inventory, the City has approximately 4.2 to 4.5 years of vacant land capacity using an 8 to 10-year permit history.</p>
<p>The South Santa Clara County Fire Protection District (which contracts with Cal Fire) currently provides fire protection services to the subject area. Upon USA amendment and annexation to the City of Gilroy, the City would provide fire protection services to the subject area.</p>	<p>Fire Service: The City has an Auto Aid Agreement in place and already services the Wren/Hewell area on behalf of South Santa Clara County Fire Department since fire response times in the County (7-11 minutes) are significantly slower than the City of Gilroy’s response times (5 to 7 minutes). Additionally, the Wren/Hewell area has a higher level of response coverage due to the underutilization of the Sunrise Fire Station.</p>
<p>The City has not established level of service/response time goals for fire service Provision. However, according to the Gilroy Fire Department 2019 Master Plan Update (11/14/19), “overall first due call-to-arrival performance is significantly slower than best practice standards to achieve desired outcomes to keep small fires small and to provide lifesaving care in serious medical emergencies”.</p>	<p>The City has been working diligently to address fire service needs throughout Gilroy and the challenges identified in the 2019 Standards of Coverage (SOC) Assessment and the 2019 Master Plan.</p> <p>The City recently hired five (5) firefighters that will begin actively staffing fire companies by October 2023. This brings current staffing level to 37 line personnel. Three (3) additional candidates are anticipated to fill the remaining vacancies in January 2024 for a total staffing level of 40 line personnel.</p> <p>The City also recently received 2 new Type 1 engines to replace aging front line apparatus. As a result, all three (3) permanent fire</p>

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	<p>stations now have brand new or nearly new Type 1 engines for emergency response. Additionally, an order was recently made to replace the aging Type 3 wildland engine. The City is also planning the replacement of all four (4) command staff vehicles by 2024.</p> <p>The recent purchase of two new engines and the planned replacement of additional fleet in 2024 has significantly improved the condition of Gilroy’s fleet. Filling the City’s staffing vacancies will also significantly improve response times throughout the City.</p>
<p>The City is currently served by three fire stations and has a development agreement with the Glen Loma Development Group to fund construction of a 4th station in the southwestern part of the City. The City indicates that the timeline for the construction of the 4th station is unpredictable as it is tied to the issuance of the 1,100th Glen Loma building permit. Per the City’s vacant land inventory, only 792 Glen Loma building permits have been issued so far. The remaining additional fire station construction costs are estimated at \$6,438,100 for a total cost of over \$9 M. The 4th fire station remains unfunded in the FY 2021-2025 Capital Improvement Plan and is expected to be funded beyond FY25, when the Glen Loma development agreement provision is triggered.</p> <p>As an interim means of providing services, the City has indicated that since mid-2020, it has been operating a part-time fire company with 2-person staffing out of a City facility (TEEC Building) located at Christmas Hill Park. However, this facility lacks the necessary amenities to house a full-time fire crew and the location is not ideal for emergency response. To better meet service demand, on</p>	<p>While the 1,110th permit has not yet been issued, the City has funded an interim location for the fourth fire station. The Santa Teresa Interim Fire Station is located near Christmas Hill Park in the Santa Teresa Fire Response District (southwestern quadrant of City).</p> <p>The Fire Department is currently operating out of the Temporary Environmental Education Center (TEEC) building at Christmas Hill Park until the 1,100th building permit is pulled, funding is fully secured, and the permanent fire station is operational.</p> <p>To address deficiencies at the TEEC building, the 2024-2028 CIP includes \$444,580 towards construction of a modular building adjacent to the TEEC building. The recent removal of the park’s speed bumps has also improved response times out of this interim station location. Furthermore, the pilot study for the 4th fire station showed a 35 second response improvement with only partial staffing. Once three (3) full time staff are employed at the end of 2023, the City will meet its response goals.</p>

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<p>October 17, 2022, the City Council approved a contract in the amount of \$204,908 to fund the construction, installation and a 3-year lease of an interim fire station modular building which is anticipated to be set up by late February or early March 2023. The funding for construction of this temporary station is from the Glen Loma Development which agreed to forgo the construction of McCutchin Park within the Glen Loma Development and transfer what it would cost to construct the park (\$2.3M) to the City’s Capital Projects Fund. The City would use that amount to fund the interim fire station and partially fund the future permanent fire station. The City has not provided information on how it plans to fund staffing and station operations at the fire station.</p>	<p>The modular fire station will be fully operational in Oct/Nov 2023 and will include sleeping, shower, and kitchen facilities. The adjacent area next to the TEEC building has sufficient electrical infrastructure to meet the power needs of the TEEC building as well as the modular building, the site’s lighting, an automatic gate, and the apparatus bay. The site also has sufficient existing water and sewer infrastructure to support the modular building.</p> <p>The TEEC building is currently operating with a part-time crew (2 staff) from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM each day. A study of demand by hour shows that 71% of all incidents happen between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. This is typical for many fire agencies since this is the time when most people are awake. However, with the recent new hires and training to be completed in the next few months, operating with a partial crew (2 staff) 24 hours a day / 7 days is scheduled to begin by October 2023. Furthermore, the City will be able to fully staff (3 staff) the Santa Teresa interim modular building 24 hours a day / 7 days per week by the end of the 2023 calendar year.</p>
<p>Additionally, as noted in the City’s CIP, a 2016 Needs Assessment Report indicated the Las Animas Fire Station and the Chestnut Fire Station both require a significant seismic retrofit/remodel and numerous upgrades to be compliant with the Essential Services Buildings Seismic Safety Act (ESBSSA) – these remain unfunded in the City’s CIP.</p>	<p>These upgrades remain unfunded; however as noted above, the City continues to work diligently to make improvements related to fire prevention. Furthermore, these fire stations remain operational despite not being seismically upgraded in case of an earthquake.</p>
<p>The proposed USA amendment, annexation and future development would result in an increase in call volume within the City’s service area. The City has not prepared analysis on the potential impacts of the anticipated development on fire service</p>	<p>The proposed USA amendment area is served by the Las Animas and Sunrise fire stations, which serve the northeastern and northwestern quadrants of the City, respectively. The Sunrise station was built for the purpose of adding fire protection services in the northern</p>

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<p>provision (such as impact on response times, the need for new or additional facilities, apparatus, and staffing) and has not adequately demonstrated its ability to provide and fund fire protection services to the subject area without reducing service levels to residents within its current boundaries.</p> <p>The City’s Plan for Service noted that the future development on the site would be subject to a development impact fee to fund infrastructure improvements but did not provide any further specifics.</p> <p>The Plan for Service only notes that future staffing of the fire department would be derived from the City’s General Fund.</p>	<p>half of the City and is currently underutilized. Thus, the City is able to provide excellent response times to the northern portion of the City which includes the Wren/Hewell properties. The third fire station (Chestnut) provides services in the southeastern quadrant of the City, near the 10th Street interchange with Highway 101.</p> <p>The City also has an Auto Aid Agreement in place and already services the Wren/Hewell area on behalf of South Santa Clara County Fire Department since fire response times in the County (7-9 minutes) are significantly slower than the City of Gilroy’s response times (5-7 minutes).</p> <p>As noted earlier, the City recently hired five (5) firefighters that will begin actively working in October 2023. Three (3) additional candidates are anticipated to fill all budgeted positions by January 2024.</p>
<p>Capacity at SCRWA. In order to meet anticipated flows, efforts to expand SCRWA’s treatment plant began in 2021 to increase the plant’s capacity to 11 mgd average daily wastewater flow. According to the City, the expansion is approximately 37% to 42% complete. The City of Gilroy’s 2021-2025 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) states that the total cost of the expansion is estimated at \$69.9 Million, with the City of Gilroy responsible for \$38.4 Million of the total cost and the City of Morgan Hill funding the remaining \$31.5 Million.</p> <p>The City, as owner of the new sewer infrastructure, would be responsible for costs associated with future maintenance.</p>	<p>This SCRWA expansion project is included in the 2022 Sewer System Master Plan. The 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program includes \$35,900,000 in funding to expand the capacity of the existing plant to meet the demands associated with future growth in the area. In addition to expanding the plant’s treatment capacity, this CIP funded project would also implement new standards for wastewater treatment to comply with State Water Resources Control Board requirements. The SCRWA expansion project is anticipated to be complete in 2026. The ongoing operational costs necessary to manage the increased capacity due to the City’s growth will be offset by the increased fees associated with the growth.</p>

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<p>Collection Infrastructure. According to the City’s Plan for Services, future development on the project site would connect directly to existing City of Gilroy infrastructure immediately adjacent to the project site, specifically the Joint Morgan Hill-Gilroy Trunk which runs along the eastern boundary of the project site. However, according to the City’s 2004 Sewer Master Plan, modeling of the system shows that during wet weather flow conditions, the Trunk becomes deficient when current Morgan Hill flows are introduced. This represents a major existing deficiency in both cities’ wastewater treatment service.</p> <p>The City of Gilroy’s ability to provide the necessary wastewater services to future development in the proposal area remains uncertain, until construction of the relief trunkline between Highland Avenue and Renz Avenue is complete.</p>	<p>The City of Morgan Hill completed a Joint Trunk Pipeline Condition Assessment Report in January 2021. Improvements within the City of Gilroy’s planning boundaries were extracted from the Report and documented in the City’s 2022 Sewer System Master Plan.</p> <p>The 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program includes recommended Joint Trunk Sewer Improvements that include 8 projects in the Joint Trunk Pipeline between the Cities of Gilroy and Morgan Hill to mitigate existing deficiencies in the City’s sewer system joint trunk pipeline. The projects include Emergency/Immediate Pipeline Repairs (5 Projects at various locations), Emergency/Immediate Manhole Repairs (40 Projects at various locations) and Intermediate Pipeline Repairs (various locations).</p> <p>The 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program also includes the Sewer System Master Plan Project including 16 individual projects in 6 system areas throughout the City intended to mitigate existing deficiencies in the City’s sewer system and implement improvements to service anticipated future growth throughout the City. The projects include pipeline replacements as well as new pipeline improvements.</p>
<p>Collection Infrastructure. The City has not provided any specifics on the extent of the off-site improvements that would be required to support the anticipated development, including the estimated number of miles, sizes, and locations of the new pipes.</p>	<p>The 2022 Sewer System Master Plan looked at existing capacity and General Plan buildout. Sewer pipelines are recommended to serve future growth inside the City and increase the reliability of the sewer collection system as well. The proposed improvements are listed in the Master Plan and include alignment descriptions, location, pipe size, and pipe length.</p>

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	<p>Furthermore, as with any future development, impacts from a particular development are considered at the time of application, given potential changes in state law, state and regional agency policies, and City of Gilroy policies. Among other things, the City will consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information on existing sanitary sewer mains within or abutting project site. • Size and slope of sanitary sewer pipes. Invert elevations at manholes, at connection points and at the nearest manholes. • Location and size of sanitary sewer system and its design parameters.
<p>Stormwater Drainage. The current 5-year CIP funding includes only a few (total cost approximately \$800,000) of the identified storm drain improvement projects; the majority are assigned a low priority within the current 5-year CIP and are unfunded.</p>	<p>The 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program includes the Storm Drain Master Plan Project which includes 43 individual projects in 6 hydrologic drainage areas throughout the City, intended to mitigate existing deficiencies in the City’s storm drain system and implement improvements to service anticipated future growth throughout the City. The projects include pipeline replacements as well as new pipeline improvements.</p>
<p>Stormwater Drainage. No detailed information is provided on the estimated increase in runoff to establish the impact on the City’s existing infrastructure or need for additional capacity.</p>	<p>As with any future development, impacts from a particular development are considered at the time of application, given potential changes in state law, state and regional agency policies, and City of Gilroy policies. Among other things, the City will consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information on existing storm drain pipes, inlets, natural swales, creeks, etc. • Size, slope of existing pipes and inverts of existing inlets, manholes, etc.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invert elevation of connection to treatment control measures, swales, creeks, ponds, etc. • Approximate boundaries of any areas with a history of flooding. • Contours of adjacent property to show drainage conditions that may affect the subdivision. • Locations and sizes of storm drain system and its design parameters. • Proposed ground slopes, elevations, directions of ditch, swale and pipe flows. • Sufficient grades or contours are shown to indicate the ultimate drainage of the property. • Hydraulic grade line (HGL) or water surface elevation (WSE) at discharge location(s). <p>The City will also require a stormwater control plan that contains the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drainage boundaries clearly defined and labeled. • Location, size, and identification (including description), of types of water quality treatment control measures such as swales, detention basins, bioretention, infiltration trenches, flow-thru planter boxes, etc. • Location, size and identification of proposed landscaping/plant material. • Specify Soil Type(s) of the project site. • All existing and proposed topographic contours with drainage management areas (DMA) identified, and proposed structural control measures. • For each drainage area, specify types of impervious area (roof, plaza, sidewalk, streets, parking, etc.) and surface area of

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	<p>each.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specify depth to groundwater. • Preliminary (planning level) numeric sizing calculations based on the Stormwater Control Plan by a qualified civil engineer, used to determine runoff quantity and to design/select the post- construction treatment control measures. Design level calculations will be provided at the final design phase. • Identify pollutants and pollutant source areas, including loading docks, food service areas, refuse areas, outdoor processes and storage, vehicle cleaning, repair or maintenance, fuel dispensing.
<p>Water Supply. The water supply from the Llagas Subbasin will exceed (by a small margin) the average combined demands of Gilroy, Morgan Hill, and other users through 2045. Groundwater supplies are adequate to meet the City’s projected demand needs into the future, regardless of hydrologic conditions. Although by 2035, demand is expected to exceed 50 percent of the assumed groundwater supplies available to the City under normal conditions and exceed 60 percent of the assumed groundwater supplies available to the City under single dry year and multiple dry years conditions.</p>	<p>The 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program includes the Water System Master Plan Project which includes 26 individual projects throughout the City intended to mitigate existing deficiencies in the City’s water system and implement improvements to service anticipated future growth throughout the City. The projects include pipeline replacements, new pipeline improvements, groundwater well improvements, and storage reservoir improvements.</p> <p>See next section.</p>
<p>Water Infrastructure. The City has not provided any specifics on the extent and costs of the offsite improvements that would be required to support the anticipated development, including the estimated number of miles, sizes, and locations of the new pipes.</p>	<p>On April 3, 2023, the City of Gilroy adopted the 2022 Water System Master Plan. The Master Plan identified numerous projects that the City should complete to meet 2040 General Plan build-out requirements. The City has also accumulated significant fund balances to pay for water supply infrastructure. The City’s 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program identified \$21,225,056 from the water fund and \$36,292,928 from the water development impact fund to pay for the</p>

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	<p>\$57,517,985 Water System Master Plan Project. This Project includes 13 pipeline replacements, nine (9) new pipeline improvements, three (3) groundwater well improvements, and storage reservoir improvements. These 26 projects would mitigate existing deficiencies in the City’s water system and implement improvements to service anticipated future growth throughout the City. The \$57,517,985 Water System Master Plan Project also includes \$11,503,600 for design work and \$575,187 for CEQA compliance.</p> <p>As with any future development, impacts from a particular development are considered at the time of application, given potential changes in state law, state and regional agency policies, and City of Gilroy policies. Among other things, the City will consider information on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • existing water mains • location of existing and proposed water hydrants and water meters. • Location and size of water system and its design parameters. • Location and size of proposed water main.
<p>Schools. The City’s plan for Service does not indicate whether the school district would require new facilities and staffing to accommodate and serve the increased student population but notes that developers of the new residential development would be responsible for the payment of school impact fees to accommodate the increased number of students. The City’s Fiscal Impact Analysis does not include an analysis of potential fiscal impacts on the school district. The City has not adequately demonstrated the school district’s capacity to serve the anticipated increase in student population.</p>	<p>In addition to requiring developers to pay school impact fees (further described below), the City of Gilroy works collaboratively with the Gilroy Unified School District to ensure they are aware of any new development in the City. Each week, the City holds a Technical Advisory Committee meeting with staff from Planning, Engineering, Building, Fire, Public Works, and a staff member from the Gilroy Unified School District. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss projects proposed for development in the City and any potential impacts associated with those projects. As part of this review, plans are routed to the School</p>

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	<p>District along with a description of the Project including the number of new homes proposed.</p> <p>Education Code Section 17620 allows school districts to assess fees on new residential and commercial construction within their respective boundaries. These fees can be collected without special city or county approval, to fund the construction of new school facilities necessitated by the impact of residential and commercial development activity. In addition, these fees can also be used to fund the reconstruction of school facilities to accommodate students generated from new development projects. Fees are collected immediately prior to the time of the issuance of a building permit by the city or the County. The impact of new developments result in the need for either additional or modernization of school facilities to house the students generated. Furthermore, Government Code Section 65995 provides for an inflationary increase in the fees every two years based on the changes in the Class B construction index.</p>
<p>Roads. The City’s Plan for Service states that new streets, additional lanes on existing streets and new signal lights would be necessary to accommodate new traffic that would be generated by future development upon USA amendment and annexation of the subject site. According to the City’s Plan for Services, these improvements are planned for in the City’s 2004 Traffic Circulation Master Plan (TCMP) and are included in the City’s Traffic Impact Fee (TIF) Program. Thus, the developer will be required to pay the applicable TIF fee as a fair-share contribution toward improvements at these intersections. The City’s current Capital Improvement Plan for FY 2021-2025 (CIP) identifies various</p>	<p>On March 20, 2023, the Gilroy City Council approved funding to update the Traffic Circulation Master Plan and the City’s Transportation Impact Fee (TIF) Program. The update will evaluate all new or updated traffic segments, intersections, and bridges that are needed to support the 2040 General Plan growth expectations, including development of the Wren/Hewell properties. The traffic analysis will include a review of intersection operations, opportunities for needed improvements, and sufficient conceptual design to identify project challenges, project right-of-way needs, and preliminary cost estimates. Additional improvements to be considered for funding in the updated</p>

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<p>roads, streets, bridges, traffic signals and related maintenance and improvement projects within the city, many of which are recommended in or support the City’s TCMP. The estimated costs of these projects identified in the City’s CIP totals approximately \$118M, a small fraction of which (approximately \$25M) are funded in the current CIP; the remaining are unfunded.</p>	<p>Transportation Impact Fee (TIF) policy may include bicycle, pedestrian, and traffic calming improvements, and the cost for future model updates.</p> <p>The 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program identifies \$68,114,786 in funding for street improvements, representing 32% of the overall CIP projects for the next five years. The identified projects include the Tenth Street and Uvas Creek Bridge, Tenth Street/Hwy 101 Bridge widening, annual citywide pavement rehabilitation, annual pavement markings, annual shared-cost sidewalk replacement program, annual safe routes to schools, traffic calming, annual citywide curb ramp projects, annual signal/street light maintenance, and several traffic signals.</p>
<p>Fiscal Impact to the City of Gilroy and Affected Agencies. The City has indicated that it would require the establishment of a Community Facilities District to mitigate the impact of providing services to the project site. In response to LAFCO staff’s request for more details about the CFD, the City has indicated that the cost of all services (except landscaping and lighting) such as fire/police facilities and infrastructure, water and sewer system improvements, streets and park facilities would be covered by the CFD. However, the City has not provided an anticipated cost of service provision, or an estimate for revenues to be collected through the CFD. The City anticipates that the property owner/ developer would agree to participate in the CFD prior to selling individual parcels/ housing units. Given the lack of specific information about service needs and the anticipated costs that would be covered by the CFD, it is not possible to evaluate its financial feasibility.</p>	<p>Recognizing the importance of planning, developing, and financing system facilities to provide reliable service to existing customers and for servicing anticipated growth within the Gilroy Urban Growth Boundary, the City adopted updated comprehensive Master Plans for the City’s sewer system, water system, and storm drainage system on April 3, 2023, to reflect current land use conditions. While each of these reports is published as a standalone document, the analysis in each document has been cross referenced and coordinated for consistency with the Gilroy 2040 General Plan.</p> <p>Each Master Plan summarizes the City’s system facilities, updates system performance criteria, documents growth planning assumptions and known future developments, evaluates existing facilities to address capacity requirements from existing and projected developments, performs a cost allocation analysis for cost sharing purposes, and</p>

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	<p>recommends a capital improvement program (CIP) with an opinion of probable construction costs.</p> <p>The City is also undergoing a rate study for user fees and will consider the projects contemplated in this Master Plans and the CIP to help determine the rate proposals. Staff will continue to review and update impact fees as part of the bi-annual departmental workplan</p> <p>Community Facilities District. In 1982, the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982 (Government Code 53311-53368.3) was created to provide an alternative method of financing needed improvements and services. A Mello-Roos Community Facilities District ("CFD") allows for the financing of public services and improvements such as streets, sewer systems, water systems, police protection, fire protection, and much more. A CFD is usually created in undeveloped areas slated for future development, or older areas to finance improvements and rehabilitation when other sources of funds are not available. Once approved by the property owners within the proposed boundary, a special tax lien is placed against each property in the CFD. Existing/ future property owners then pay a Special Tax each year. If the project cost is high, municipal bonds will be sold by the CFD to provide the large amount of money initially needed to build the improvements or fund the services.</p> <p>The following process is anticipated for development of the CFD in Gilroy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At the time of final design, a CFD design professional will prepare a CFD plan that includes a scope of work for items to be included in the CFD, yearly maintenance

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	<p>costs, and a cost breakdown of management costs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A petition to form a CFD is submitted to the City Council by the owner or by the owner legally authorized representative (developer). This document describes the work to be financed (the public facilities and services), and the rate and method of expenses and revenues for the Special Tax formation (CFD formation).• City Council holds a public meeting to hear the owners petition to form a CFD, approve intent of the rate and method of expenses and revenues for the special tax formation (CFD formation), directs the appropriate staff to prepare a CFD report, and sets a subsequent public hearing on the question of establishing a CFD.• At the second council hearing, Council hears any protest to the formation of the CFD. Council also passes a resolution approving the CFD report which summarizes the services to be financed and their initial costs. Council also passes a resolution calling for special elections by the residents of the CFD to approve the levy of the special taxes on the proposed CFD and the appropriations limit on the CFD.• A Unanimous Approval document, approved by all future CFD users, is recorded in the office of the County Recorder.

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City of Gilroy Residential Vacant Land Inventory

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1.0 Purpose and Need

The City of Gilroy City Council approved an application to amend the City’s Urban Service Area (USA) boundary with the addition of the 50.3-acre Wren Investors project site, located north and west of the Gilroy city limit and USA and the 5.36-acre Hewell site, located just outside the northern city limits northeast of the intersection of Vickery Lane and Kern Avenue.

In Santa Clara County, requests for jurisdictional boundary changes, including USA amendments, are reviewed and acted upon by the Santa Clara County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). A city’s USA is defined by LAFCO as that area to which the city provides urban services such as water and sewer, or expects to provide these services within five years of inclusion within the USA boundary. Therefore, the USA is expected to accommodate approximately five years of urban development.

Pursuant to LAFCO’s adopted USA policy, “when a city with a substantial supply of vacant land within its Urban Service Area applies for an Urban Service Area expansion, LAFCO will require an explanation of why the expansion is necessary, why infill development is not undertaken first, and how an orderly, efficient growth pattern, consistent with LAFCO mandates, will be maintained.”

In acting upon a USA amendment request, LAFCO’s filing requirements for USA amendments requires a Plan for Services, a Fiscal Impacts Report, the preparation of environmental documentation to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) such as a Negative Declaration/ Mitigated Negative Declaration, and a “Vacant Lands Inventory identifying vacant lands within the city limits and its urban service area for specific land use designations, and the rate of absorption of vacant lands”.

This vacant land inventory focuses on the current supply of vacant land within the City’s existing USA with a residential General Plan land use designation of Hillside Residential, Low Density Residential, Medium Density Residential, High Density Residential, Mixed-Use, Neighborhood District, and Specific Plans - Hecker Pass, Glen Loma Ranch, and Downtown. At the request of LAFCO staff, this analysis also includes a section on underutilized land in the City’s USA. This analysis considers residential land available for primary dwellings but does not include accessory dwelling units because they do not count towards land use density. Some of the vacant and underutilized land identified in this inventory has approved entitlements that make the land more

readily developable (e.g., residential subdivision maps and/or architectural and site approvals). Once a building permit is granted for development, the units are removed from the Inventory.

The City of Gilroy has prepared this update to the October 11, 2022 vacant land inventory by removing any land that has been issued a building permit through May 22, 2023, and making additional adjustments for consistency with the City's 6th Cycle Housing Element Update.

2.0 Vacant Residential Land

2.1 Vacant Land Definition

The Santa Clara County LAFCO does not define “vacant land” on their website, or within their adopted policies, or within its application submittal requirements. However, LAFCO’s policies do state that “when a city with a substantial supply of vacant land within its Urban Service Area applies for an Urban Service Area expansion, LAFCO will require an explanation of why the expansion is necessary, why infill development is not undertaken first, and how an orderly, efficient growth pattern, consistent with LAFCO mandates, will be maintained.”

Furthermore, pursuant to LAFCO policies, “LAFCO will discourage proposals that undermine regional housing needs plans, reduce affordable housing stock, or propose additional urbanization without attention to affordable housing needs.”

In lieu of a LAFCO definition for “vacant” land, the City of Gilroy turns to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), whose approval is required before a local government can adopt its Housing Element as part of its overall General Plan. The City is currently undergoing an update of its Housing Element to accommodate the City’s Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) for the 2023-2031 planning cycle. As part of that effort, the City and their housing consultants reviewed vacant residential land that could be included in the City’s Housing Element RHNA Sites Inventory. To help in this effort, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) prepared a Housing Element Site Inventory Guidebook for developing “an inventory of land suitable and available for residential development to meet the locality’s regional housing need.” The Guidebook defines a vacant site as “a site without any houses, offices, buildings, or other significant improvements on it. Improvements are generally defined as development of the land (such as a paved parking lot, or income production improvements such as crops, high voltage power lines, oil-wells, etc.) or structures on a property that are permanent and add significantly to the value of the property.” Furthermore, page 24 of the HCD Sites Inventory Guidebook states that “underutilized sites are not vacant sites”.

Given the lack of a codified definition within LAFCO’s policies or within its application submittal requirements, and given LAFCO’s policy to not undermine regional housing needs (policy #11), this vacant land inventory has been prepared to include vacant property that conforms to the HCD definition of “vacant land” and exclude properties that the HCD Guidebook further defines as “not vacant” including “underutilized sites,” “sites with blighted improvements,” and “sites with

abandoned or unoccupied uses” (California Department of Housing and Community Development 2020).

2.2 Vacant Residential Land Supply

Density Target Assumptions

Quantifying the existing supply of residentially-designated vacant land within the Gilroy USA involved mapping residentially-designated vacant land, and then eliminating those parcels for which building permits have been obtained. For areas with an approved final subdivision map, potential for development is based on the number of subdivided lots, equating to one dwelling unit per lot. In areas without an approved final subdivision map, including land in the Medium- and High-Density designations, the build-out is assumed to follow the density requirements of the General Plan. Table 2-1, *Building Density Targets for Quantifying Residential Capacity*, presents density targets for each applicable land use designation. Furthermore, page LU-4 of the City’s General Plan Land Use Element acknowledges that the “net acreage” of land available to accommodate residential uses is “normally 20 to 25 percent less for a given area than gross acreage”, after accommodating streets, public rights-of-way, non-residential land uses and other public facilities. Therefore, it is unrealistic to multiply the “gross acreage” of a site by the maximum density allowed under the General Plan. The number of dwelling units estimated on a given site takes this into consideration. The City has also provided average as-built densities for several projects within the City of Gilroy to provide a more realistic capacity of vacant land in Gilroy.

Table 2-1 Building Density Targets for Quantifying Residential Capacity

General Plan Designation	Density Target
Hillside Residential	<1 - 4 units/acre
Low Density Residential	3 - 8 units/acre
Medium Density Residential	8 - 20 units/acre
High Density Residential	20 + units/acre
Mixed-Use District	20 to 30 units/acre

Source: City of Gilroy 2021

The *Downtown Gilroy Specific Plan* was adopted by the City Council in 2005. Table 2-2, *Downtown Residential Projects*, presents an overview of high-density residential projects built within the last five (5) years, including their average density.

Table 2-2 As-Built Residential Densities within Gilroy Downtown

Name, Location, and Density	Units	Density (Units/Acre)
The Cannery Apartments	104	21.1
Cantera Commons Mixed-Use Apartments	10	34.5
Alexander Station Apartments	263	38.7
Monterey/Gilroy Gateway Apartments	75	40.3
Average Density		33.65

Source: Downtown Gilroy Specific Plan 2005, Development information provided by the City of Gilroy 2021, 2022

Vacant Residential Land Inventory

Table 2-3, Vacant Residential Land Inventory, provides a list of estimated developable lots within each land use designation, including Assessor’s parcel numbers and gross acreage. For properties that have not yet been subdivided, the number of estimated units takes into account that “net acreage” of land available to accommodate residential uses is “normally 20 to 25 percent less for a given area than “gross acreage”, after accommodating streets, public rights-of-way, non-residential land uses and other public facilities. Approximately 1,368 residential units could be developed on vacant land with the Gilroy USA.

Figure 2-1, Northern Area Vacant and Underutilized Residential Land, and Figure 2-2, Southern Area Vacant and Underutilized Residential Land, show the location of residential parcels determined to be vacant or underutilized. These figures are presented after the following table.

Table 2-3 Vacant Residential Land Inventory

Location	Address	APN	Acreage	Potential Lots/Units
Hillside Residential - <1 – 4.0 dwelling units/acre (H) (average 2 units/acre)				
H-1 Eagle Ridge Subdivision – Berwick Avenue	2894 Berwick Ave	81067049	0.75	12
	2890 Berwick Ave	81067060	1.05	
	2884 Berwick Ave	81067050	0.57	
	2880 Berwick Ave	81067051	0.53	
	2874 Berwick Ave	81067052	0.55	
	2960 Berwick Ave	81067053	0.54	
	2870 Berwick Ave	81067054	0.39	
	2850 Berwick Ave	81067055	0.91	
	2830 Berwick Ave	81067057	0.35	
	2820 Berwick Ave	81067058	0.43	
	2840 Berwick Ave	81067056	1.15	
	2810 Berwick Ave	81067059	0.82	
	Berwick Subtotal		8.04	

Location	Address	APN	Acreage	Potential Lots/Units
H-2 Miller Avenue – Babbs Canyon (California Tiger Salamander Breeding Habitat – Development Constrained)		81023005	37.54	53 ¹
H-3 Eagle Ridge Subdivision – Eagle Ridge Court	6505 Eagle Ridge Court 6515 Eagle Ridge Court 6525 Eagle Ridge Court 6535 Eagle Ridge Court 6595 Eagle Ridge Court 6605 Eagle Ridge Court 6685 Eagle Ridge Court 6695 Eagle Ridge Court 6699 Eagle Ridge Court 6694 Eagle Ridge Court Eagle Ridge Court Subtotal	81072018 81072019 81072020 81072021 81072027 81072028 81060019 81060020 81060026 81060021	0.26 0.26 0.27 0.28 0.54 0.67 0.29 0.29 0.63 0.46 3.95	10
H-4 Eagle Ridge Subdivision - Portrush Lane and Southerland Court	1501 Portrush Lane 1511 Portrush Lane 1521 Portrush Lane 1531 Portrush Lane 1541 Portrush Lane 1551 Portrush Lane 1561 Portrush Lane 6461 Southerland Court 6451 Southerland Court 6441 Southerland Court 6431 Southerland Court 6421 Southerland Court 6411 Southerland Court Portrush/Sutherland Subtotal	81074001 81074002 81074003 81074004 81074005 81074006 81074007 81074008 81074009 81074010 81074011 81074012 81074013	0.36 0.25 0.29 0.36 0.37 0.35 0.31 0.22 0.27 0.27 0.23 0.33 0.38 3.99	11
H-5 Miller Avenue	6385 Miller Avenue	81023008	1.54	1
H-6 Eagle Ridge Subdivision - Walton Heath Court	No Addresses	81075003 81075005 81075006 81075002 81075004 81075007 81075001	8.65	7
H-7 Rancho Hills Estates Subdivision	No Addresses	78375082, 78321065	22.13	2
H-8 Country Estates Subdivision (Phase II)	2273 Banyan Court 2293 Banyan Street 2333 Banyan Street 2263 Banyan Street 9120 Gunnera Lane 9121 Gunnera Lane 2311 Hoya Lane 2331 Hoya Lane 2361 Hoya Lane 2391 Mantelli Drive Country Estates Subdivision (Phase II) Subtotal	78372051 78364028 78364032 78364029 78365027 78365024 78364021 78364022 78364024 78364001	0.55 0.50 0.79 0.69 0.93 0.83 0.50 0.44 0.49 0.70 6.42	10

Location	Address	APN	Acreage	Potential Lots/Units
H-9 Country Estates Subdivision (Phase III)	2204 Banyan Court	78372039	0.97	23
	2209 Banyan Court	78372040	0.61	
	2281 Banyan Court	78372054	3.24	
	2283 Banyan Court	78372052	0.67	
	2373 Banyan Street	78364035	0.47	
	2291 Banyan Court	78372053	1.86	
	2244 Banyan Court	78372044	1.03	
	1810 Carob Court	78372018	0.87	
	1881 Carob Court	78372011	1.44	
	2262 Columbine Court	78372057	1.45	
	2162 Columbine Court	78372063	0.92	
	2282 Gunnera Court	78372055	0.82	
	9211 Mahogany Court	78372049	0.88	
	9250 Mahogany Court	78372047	1.45	
	9210 Mahogany Court	78372045	0.63	
	8983 Mimosa Court	78372037	0.59	
	8970 Tea Tree Way	78372032	0.89	
	9030 Tea Tree Way	78372026	0.72	
	8981 Tea Tree Way	78372031	0.89	
	8962 Tea Tree Way	78372030	0.64	
	9045 Tea Tree Way	78372023	0.80	
9035 Tea Tree Way	78372025	0.51		
8951 Tea Tree Way	78372034	0.87		
	Country Estates Subdivision (Phase III) Subtotal		23.22	
H-10 Country Estates (Phase IV)	Sunflower Circle	78347003	87.27	61 ²
	Hollyhock Lane	78345044 (Partial)	32.10	
	Country Estates Phase IV Subtotal		119.37	
H-11 Carriage Hills Subdivision	8760 Wild Iris Drive	78352020	0.66	4
	8745 Wild Iris Drive	78352032	0.29	
	1920 Lavender Way	78352023	0.43	
	1986 Lavender Way	78352039	0.41	
	Carriage Hills Subdivision Subtotal		1.79	
H-12 Hollyhock Hills Subdivision	8530 Shooting Star Court	78370003	0.74	3
	2160 Hollyhock Court	78370013	1.68	
	2150 Hollyhock Court	78370014	1.01	
	Hollyhock Hills Subtotal		3.43	
H-13 South of Mantelli Dr	2225 Country Drive	78346017	3.25	2
	2280 Coral Bell Court	78346026	2.63	
	South of Mantelli Subtotal		5.88	
	Hillside Residential Subtotal		245.95	199
Low Density Residential - 3.0 – 8.0 dwelling units/acre (L) (average 5.5 units per acre)				
L-1 Sunrise Drive	820 Sunrise Drive	78320049	3.75	20

Location	Address	APN	Acreage	Potential Lots/Units
L-2 Christopher Subdivision (Wildflower Court)	925 Wildflower Court	81028026	0.39	12 ³
	935 Wildflower Court	81028027	0.43	
	945 Wildflower Court	81028028	0.47	
	955 Wildflower Court	81028029	0.56	
	965 Wildflower Court	81028030	1.24	
	960 Wildflower Court	81028031	0.38	
	950 Wildflower Court	81028032	0.45	
	940 Wildflower Court	81028033	0.49	
	930 Wildflower Court	81028034	0.53	
	920 Wildflower Court	81028035	0.56	
	910 Wildflower Court	81028036	0.55	
	900 Wildflower Court	81028037	0.45	
	Christopher Subdivision Subtotal		6.50	
L-3 Thomas Road	6151 Thomas Road	80839066	6.22	31
L-4 Chappel-Sargenti Property	San Justo Road	81028039	3.32	14
L-5 Presbyterian Church Property	6000 Miller Road	81023007	7.20	33
L-6 Greenfield Drive Subdivision	Thomas Lane	80820008	8.00	10 ⁴
	Low Density Residential Subtotal		35.0	120
Medium Density Residential – 8.0 – 20.0 dwelling units/ac. (M) (average 14 units per acre)				
M-1 Cottages at Kern Avenue	9130 Kern Ave.	79017002	2.53	19 ⁵
M-3 Gurries Drive	No Address	79035053	0.23	4 ⁶
	265 Gurries Drive	79035054	0.04	
	275 Gurries Drive	79035039	0.07	
	285 Gurries Drive	79035038	0.07	
			0.42	
M-4 Royal Way/Thomas Road	No Addresses	79944095 79944109 79944093 79944098 79944096 79944097 79944094	3.23	45 ⁷
ND-1 West of Monterey Highway (Mixed-Use)	108 Chickadee Lane	79066057	0.84	12 ⁸
	Medium Density Residential Subtotal		7.02	80
High Density Residential – 20+ dwelling units/ac. (HD) ⁹				
HD-1 East of Santa Teresa Boulevard	Ponderosa Drive	80801024	7.21	144
HD-2 Southeast Corner of Santa Teresa Boulevard/ First Street	7890 Santa Teresa Blvd	80801022	1.40	202 ¹⁰
	1490 1 st Street	80801023	1.25	
	1410 1 st Street	80801021	7.60	

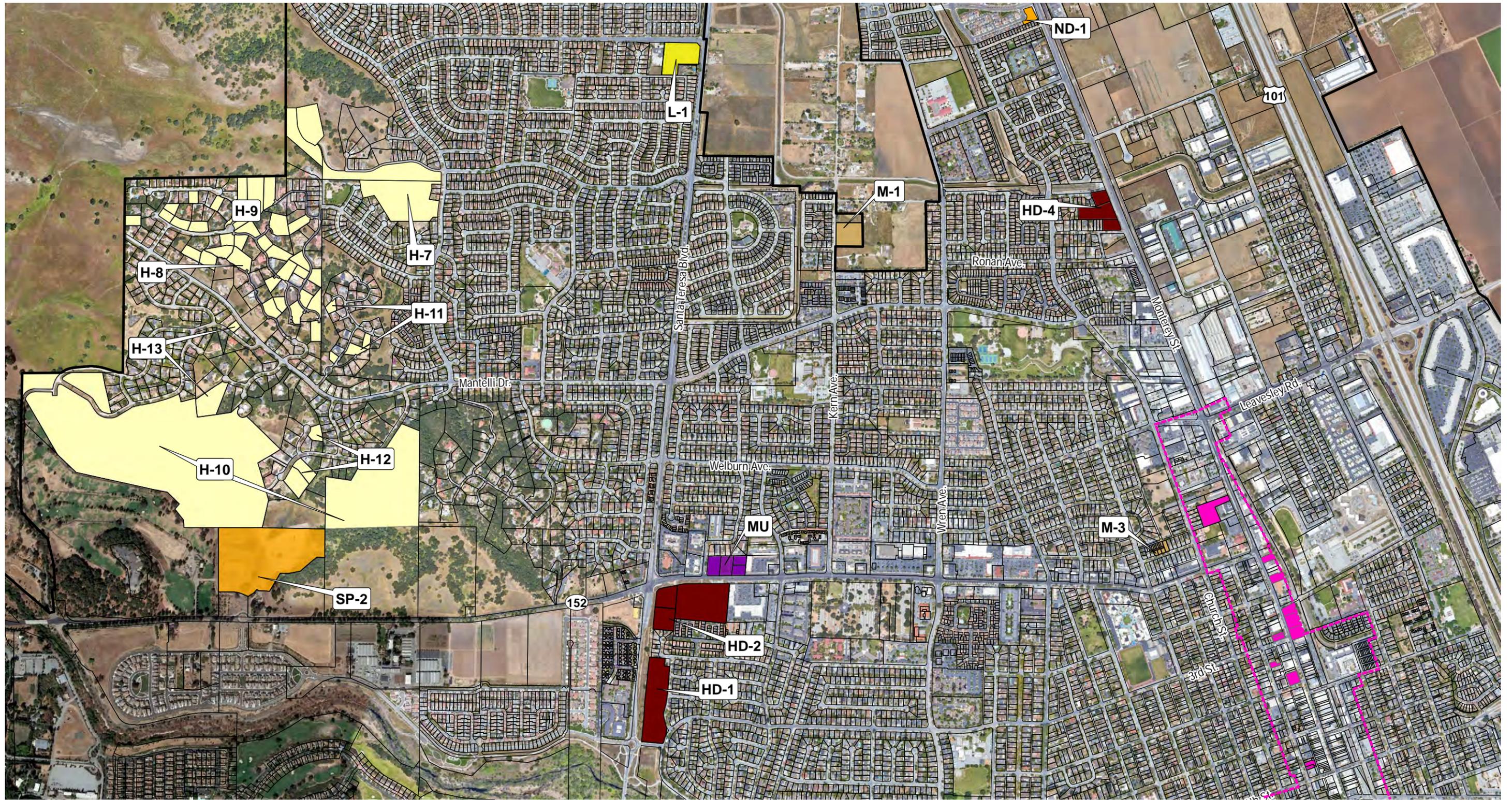
Location	Address	APN	Acreage	Potential Lots/Units
	STB/1st Street Subtotal		10.25	
High Density Residential Subtotal			17.46	346
First Street Mixed Use District (MU) - 20 – 30.0 dwelling units/ac. ¹¹				
	1375 First Street	79039019	0.97	24
	1335 First Street	79039030	0.49	12
Mixed-Use District Subtotal			1.46	36
Specific Plans (SP)				
SP-1 Glen Loma Ranch Specific Plan	No Addresses	80843010 80818031 80818032 80858005 Glen Loma Ranch Subtotal	11.32 31.08 4.34 37.01 83.75	305 ¹²
SP-2 Hecker Pass Specific Plan (North of Hecker Pass)	Autumn Drive Meadow Wood Court Homestead Court Little Barn Lane Haybale Street	72 addresses and APNs	22.34	72 ¹³
SP-3 Downtown Specific Plan	7888 Monterey Street 7733 Monterey Street 7711 Monterey Street 7601 Monterey Street 7660 Egleberry Street Egleberry Street (east side) 80 W. Tenth Street 7840 Monterey Road Alexander St. (west side) DTSP Subtotal	84102009 79903054 79903055 79904008 79904016 79910042 79934036 84102058 84113022	0.29 0.10 0.20 0.51 0.17 0.16 0.85 0.41 3.52 6.21	12 ¹⁴ 3 7 17 6 5 28 14 116 210
Specific Plan Subtotal			112.30	587
TOTALS			419.23	1,368

Source: Santa Clara County GIS 2023, Google Earth 2023, Property information provided by the City of Gilroy for building permits through May 22, 2023 (Appendix A)

Notes:

1. Site H-2 – RenFu Planning entitlement request for a 53-unit subdivision was submitted in March 2022. Currently undergoing environmental and planning review. The number of units proposed may be reduced due to significant environmental constraints on the property.
2. Site H-10 – Country Estates - Previous subdivision application denied. No application currently on file. Significant access constraints.
3. Site L-2 – Christopher Subdivision - 12-lot Subdivision Approved. No grading or building permits issued as of April 17, 2023.
4. Site L-6 Greenfield Subdivision Approved TM 16-02. Four building permits issued 12/22/22.
5. Site M-1 – Cottages at Kern - The City has approved a project for a 29-lot subdivision at 9130/9160 Kern (Cottages at Kern) 10 building permits issued as of March 17, 2023.
6. Site M-3 – Gurries Subdivision (Two Projects). (1) The City has approved a project for a 4-lot subdivision at 265/275/285 Gurries Dr. and (2) duets and ADUs at 305 Gurries. Building permits requested, but not yet issued as of April 27, 2023.
7. Site M-4 – Royal Way. 45 townhomes approved on 11/21/22. No building permits as of April 17, 2023.
8. Site HD-3 – Submitted to Planning May 24, 2022, 12 units.

9. High Density Residential (HDR) Assumes 20 units per acre
 10. Site HD-2 – Eagle Garden Approved Tentative Map TM 13-11 extended to June 2024.
 11. Site MU General Plan density for the new mixed-use land designation is 20-30 du/net acre.
 12. Site SP-1 – Glen Loma Ranch Specific Plan. Based upon review of the specific plan, residential building permits issued, and Google Earth.
 13. Site SP-2 – Hecker Pass Specific Plan. Grading permits issued. As of May 22, 2023, building permits had not been issued.
 14. Site SP-3 – Downtown Specific Plan. Includes 12 units waiting for building permits (9-22-21). Average density of 27 dwelling units per acre.
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Source: City of Gilroy 2014, Google Earth 2023

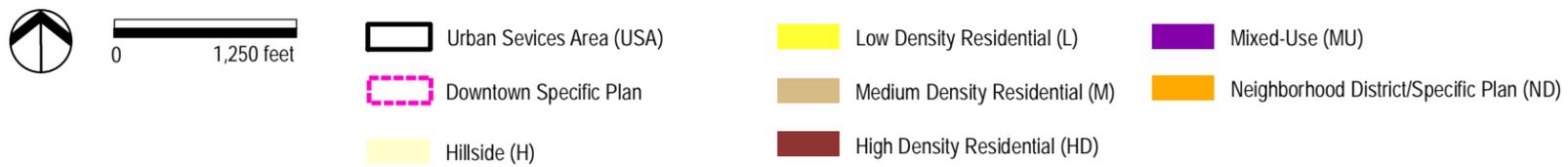
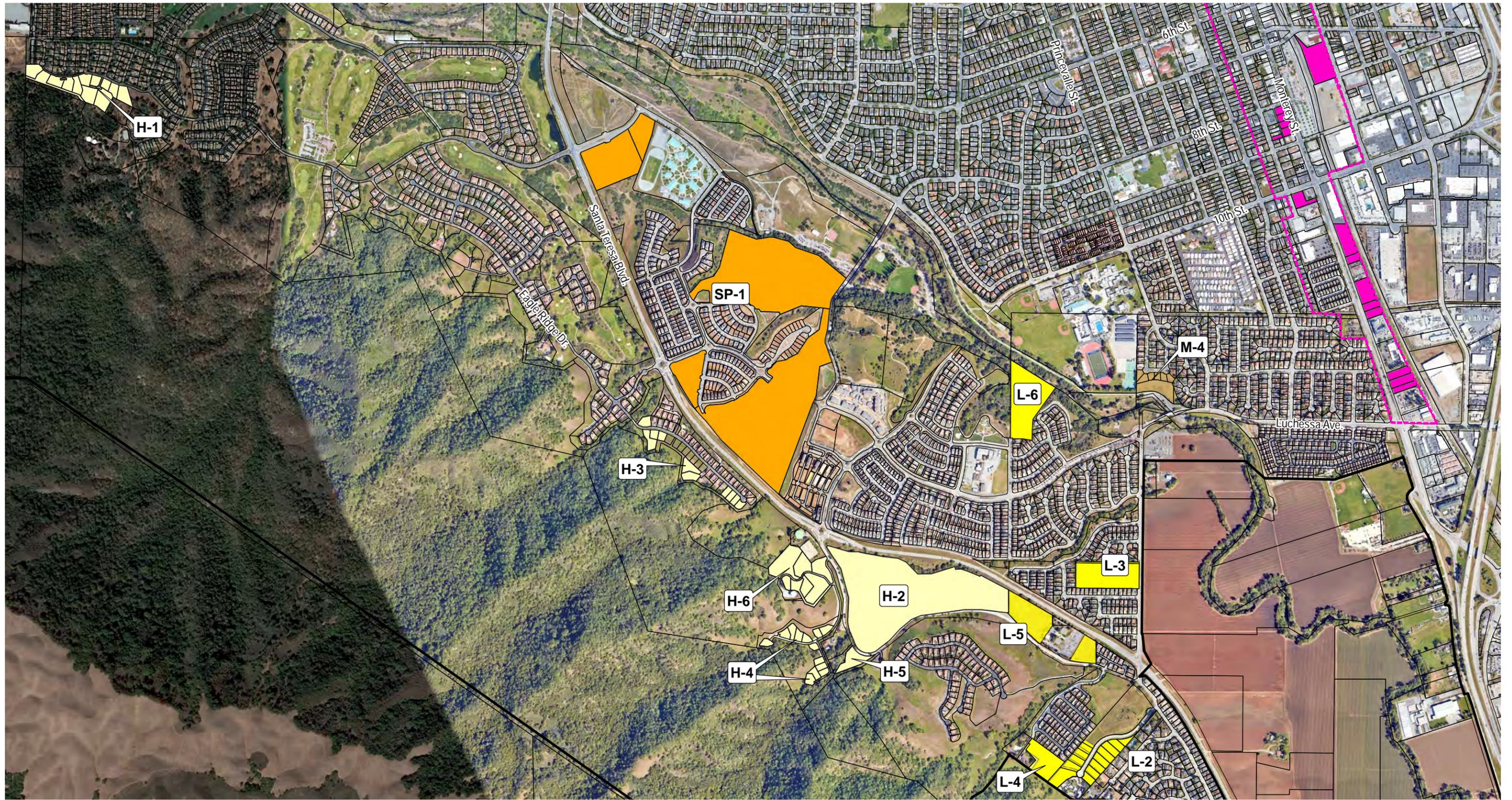


Figure 1
 Northern Area Vacant and Underutilized Residential Land
 City of Gilroy Residential Vacant and Underutilized Land Inventory

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Source: City of Gilroy 2014, Google Earth 2023



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Figure 2

Southern Area Vacant and Underutilized Residential Land

City of Gilroy Residential Vacant and Underutilized Land Inventory

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3.0 Underutilized Residential Land

3.1 Underutilized Land Definition

While LAFCO staff has requested that the City include “underutilized land” in this Vacant Land Inventory, there is no LAFCO definition for “underutilized land” and there is no reference to underutilized land in LAFCOs policies or within its application submittal requirements.

Furthermore, the filing requirements for USA amendments on the Santa Clara County LAFCO website specify that USA amendment proposals must include a “Vacant Lands Inventory identifying *vacant* lands within the city limits and its urban service area for specific land use designations, and the rate of absorption of *vacant* lands. If the amount of *vacant* land exceeds a five-year supply, explanation is required for why the expansion is necessary and how an orderly and efficient growth pattern will be maintained.” (emphasis added).

Given the lack of a codified definition within LAFCO s policies or its application submittal requirements, and LAFCO’s policy to not undermine regional housing needs (policy #11), the City of Gilroy once again looks to California Department of Housing and Community Development guidance on developing “an inventory of land suitable and available for residential development to meet the locality’s regional housing need.” Pursuant to HCD’s guidance, “Local governments with limited vacant land resources or with infill and reuse goals may rely on the potential for new residential development on nonvacant sites, including underutilized sites, to accommodate their RHNA. Examples include:

- Sites with obsolete uses that have the potential for redevelopment, such as a vacant restaurant;
- Nonvacant publicly owned surplus or excess land; portions of blighted areas with abandoned or vacant buildings;
- Existing high opportunity developed areas with mixed-used potential;
- Nonvacant substandard or irregular lots that could be consolidated; and
- Any other suitable underutilized land.”

3.2 Underutilized Residential Land Supply

The underutilized sites identified in this supplemental section of the Vacant Land Inventory are consistent with the underutilized sites identified in the City's 2023-2031 Housing Element.

The Downtown Specific Plan area contains underutilized land, buildings, and/or structures that have the potential for redevelopment, such as sites with obsolete uses or vacant buildings.

Consistent with the City's RHNA Sites Inventory, the following analysis includes 289 units on underutilized sites within the Downtown Specific Plan area.

In November 2020, the Gilroy 2040 General Plan created a new mixed-use land use designation along the First Street corridor from Santa Teresa Boulevard to Church Street. However, most of the First Street corridor is currently developed with thriving commercial and retail businesses that are unlikely to be converted into mixed-use buildings within the next five years. Consistent with the City's RHNA Sites Inventory, the following analysis includes 32 dwelling units on underutilized sites within the First Street Mixed Use Corridor.

Table 3-1, Underutilized Residential Land Inventory, includes a list approximately 391 residential units that could be developed on underutilized land within the Gilroy USA.

Table 3-1 Underutilized Residential Land Inventory

Location	Address	APN	Acreage	Potential Lots/Units
Downtown Specific Plan¹				
	7191 Monterey Street	79910033	0.33	10
	7161 Monterey Street	79910034	0.33	10
	7121 Monterey Street	79910049	0.36	11
	7700 Monterey Street	84104018	0.61	11
	7760 Monterey Street	84104019	0.70	13
	7780 Monterey Street	84104020	0.44	13
	Monterey St. (west side)	79910048	0.30	9
	Monterey St, south of Ninth	84114001	0.55	16
	6790 Monterey Road	84114006	0.38	9
	6320 Monterey Road	84114015	0.55	7
	6470 Monterey Road	84114036	0.74	11
	6380 Monterey Road	84114037	0.79	11
	6620 Monterey Road	84114081	0.53	13
	6920 Monterey Road	84114083	1.64	51
	6630/6680 Monterey Road	84114009 84114008	0.48/1.40	94 ²
Downtown Specific Plan Subtotal			10.13	289
Mixed-Use Corridor (Along First Street SR 152)³				
	1395 First Street	79039020	0.97	20
	1335 First Street	79039029	0.55	12
Mixed Use Corridor Subtotal			1.52	32
HD-4 Monterey Road⁴				
HD-4	8985 Monterey Road	79014091	0.8	16
	8955 Monterey Road	79014025	2.0	40
	8915 Monterey Road	79014075	0.7	14
HD-4 Subtotal			3.5	70
TOTALS			15.15	391

SOURCE: City of Gilroy

NOTES:

1. The underutilized Downtown Specific Plan area sites are currently developed with a variety of commercial and industrial uses.
2. This 94-unit affordable housing project at 6630-6680 Monterey Street (approx. 2 acres) was submitted to Planning on December 7, 2022.
3. The First Street Mixed-Use sites are currently development with operating offices, banks, and clinics.
4. HD-4 is currently developed with the following operating businesses: Tiny Tots Preschool and Daycare; Casa de Fe Church and Gilroy Unidos; and Campbell Used Auto Sales and Finance.

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4.0 Residential Growth Projections and Rate of Absorption

4.1 Regional Housing Needs Allocation

The housing growth target established by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) for the City of Gilroy is approximately 222 residential units per year based on the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) total for Gilroy for the 2023-2031 planning period (1,773 units / by 8 years).

4.2 Permit History

While LAFCO staff has requested that the City include a 10-year building permit history, there are no requirements related to permit history in LAFCO's policies or within its application submittal requirements. Given this lack of direction and transparency with LAFCO's policies, the City once again looks to the California Department of Housing and Community Development. The Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RNHA) cycle is updated every eight (8) years. The 5th RHNA cycle covers the period from January 2015 through December 2022.

The 2022 *Gilroy Housing Element Annual Element Progress Report* shows that 2,605 housing units were constructed over the eight-year period (2015 to 2022). Therefore, based upon this permit history, the City of Gilroy could expect to issue an average of 326 permits per year (2,605 units / 8 years) over the next five years.

If the City were to include data from the 2013 and 2014 *Housing Element Annual Element Progress Reports*, there were 3,064 building permits issued over the 10-year period from 2012 to 2022. Therefore, based upon a 10-year permit history, the city could expect to issue an average of 306 permits per year (3,064 units / 10 years) over the next five years.

4.3 Rate of Absorption (Vacant Land)

Table 2-3, Vacant Residential Land Inventory, shows a capacity of 1,368 housing units of varying densities that could be developed on vacant land whose general plan land use designation allows residential development in the existing Gilroy USA.

Assuming an average of 326 permits are issued per year (8-year average), the existing Gilroy USA can accommodate approximately 4.2 years of residential growth on vacant land.

Assuming an average of 306 permits are issued per year (ten-year average), the existing Gilroy USA can accommodate approximately 4.5 years of residential growth on vacant land.

4.4 Rate of Absorption (Vacant and Underutilized Land)

Table 3-1, Underutilized Residential Land Inventory, shows a conservatively high capacity of 391 housing units of medium to high density that could be developed on underutilized land whose general plan land use designation allows residential development in the existing Gilroy USA.

Adding these 391 units to the 1,368 units associated with vacant land (total of 1,759), assuming an average of 326 permits are issued per year (eight-year average), the existing Gilroy USA can accommodate approximately 5.4 years of residential growth on vacant and underutilized land.

Adding these 391 units to the 1,368 units associated with vacant land (total of 1,759), assuming an average of 306 permits are issued per year (ten-year average), the existing Gilroy USA can accommodate approximately 5.7 years of residential growth on vacant and underutilized land.

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Building Permit Documentation (September 10, 2022
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APPENDIX

Building Permits Report

1/1/2022 - 12/31/2022

Permits Submitted: 143

Permit Type	Address	APN	Name	Permit No	Apply Date	Issue Date	Final Date	Units
BNEWCONDO	6441 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	21100253	10/29/21	3/8/22	9/30/22	1
BNEWCONDO	6440 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	21100244	10/29/21	3/8/22	9/26/22	1
BNEWCONDO	6432 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	21100246	10/29/21	3/8/22	9/26/22	1
BNEWCONDO	6425 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	21100249	10/29/21	3/8/22	9/30/22	1
BNEWCONDO	6437 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	21100252	10/29/21	3/8/22	9/30/22	1
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BNEWCONDO	6423 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	21110111	11/19/21	3/8/22		5
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Count	91	Number of This Permit Type			91	27	27	159
BNEWMFR-AF	1520 HECKER PASS HWY	810 66 012	VILLAGE AT SANTA TER	21060021	6/2/21	4/12/22		20
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BNEWRES	7131 VINTNER CT	TR10520 THE G	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020128	2/15/22	3/1/22	1/18/23	1
BNEWRES	7111 VINTNER CT	TR10520 THE G	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020126	2/15/22	3/1/22		1
BNEWRES	7141 VINTNER CT	TR10520 THE G	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020129	2/15/22	3/1/22	12/1/22	1

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BNEWRES	7100 VINTNER CT	TR10520 THE G	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020130	2/15/22	3/1/22		1
BNEWRES	7121 VINTNER CT	TR10520 THE G	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020127	2/15/22	3/1/22	12/1/22	1
BNEWRES	1500 HURKA WY	TR10520 NEBBI	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020187	2/24/22	3/31/22	9/20/22	1
BNEWRES	1490 HURKA WY	TR10520 NEBBI	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020186	2/24/22	3/31/22	9/14/22	1
BNEWRES	1535 HURKA WY	TR10520 NEBBI	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020188	2/24/22	3/31/22	9/14/22	1
BNEWRES	1515 HURKA WY	TR10520 NEBBI	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020190	2/24/22	3/31/22	9/14/22	1
BNEWRES	1525 HURKA WY	TR10520 NEBBI	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020189	2/24/22	3/31/22	9/14/22	1
BNEWRES	1505 HURKA WY	TR10520 NEBBI	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020191	2/24/22	3/31/22	10/10/22	1
BNEWRES	7315 CHESTNUT ST	841 09 010	SINGH/GAHUNIA FAM 2	22040010	4/4/22	6/24/22		2
BNEWRES	6482 GREENFIELD DR	HYD00001414	THE SUNER CORPORAT	22080059	8/8/22	12/22/22		3
BNEWRES	6482 GREENFIELD DR	HYD00001414	THE SUNER CORPORAT	22120072	12/8/22	12/22/22		1
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BRES2UNIT	6361 RASPBERRY CT	808 40 070	MORTENSEN FAMILY T	21040121	4/26/21	8/10/22		1
BRES2UNIT	6800 GARDEN CT, UNIT B	799 33 027	ZHAO, JOE X H	22010001	1/3/22	1/4/22	6/6/22	0
BRES2UNIT	7317 CHESTNUT ST UNIT	841 09 010	SINGH/GAHUNIA FAM 2	22040009	4/4/22	6/24/22		1
BRES2UNIT	295 LONDON DR	799 42 015	LIM THIRO & NGUYEN A	22040079	4/20/22	8/31/22		
BRES2UNIT	765 W 9 ST	799 37 045	ADRIAN S/ISAAC GUER	22060184	6/20/22	9/27/22		
BRES2UNIT	6482 GREENFIELD DR	HYD00001414	THE SUNER CORPORAT	22120073	12/8/22	12/22/22		1
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BRESADU	441 EL CERRITO WY UNIT	790 34 017	JOHN A GIANCOLA AND	21020025	2/4/21	2/28/22		0
BRESADU	7595 PRINCEVALLE ST UN	799 24 052	LAWRENCE S & LORI D	21060150	6/22/21	4/18/22		0
BRESADU	1099 WELBURN AVE	790 42 011	TATLA FAMILY TRUST,	21070130	7/28/21	1/13/22	6/27/22	1
BRESADU	816 WELBURN AVE	790 22 045	HUANG JACK H	21090125	9/27/21	2/15/22		1
BRESADU	7150 HARVARD PL	799 37 060	PENALOZA RIGOBERTO	21100031	10/7/21	9/12/22		1
BRESADU	1190 HERSMAN DR	808 17 087	DELEON CATALINA	22010048	1/11/22	10/27/22		1
BRESADU	7256 DOWDY ST UNIT C	799 15 021	SINGH GURPREET	22020104	2/11/22	6/7/22		0
BRESADU	7511 CARMEL ST	799 19 008	MCMAMARA SEAN	22020183	2/24/22	6/23/22		1
BRESADU	8427 WAYLAND LN	790 25 011	VICTOR RANGEL / JESS	22030188	3/22/22	9/23/22		1
BRESADU	4 STRATFORD PL	799 45 061	DAVID SAMUEL GUTIER	22050174	5/26/22	10/3/22		1
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Building Permits Report

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BNEWCONDO	6397 PAYSAR LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010115	1/14/22	3/1/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 04 (CRAFTSMAN), UNIT 0404, PLAN 1-ALT-R: NEW 1,178 SQ.FT, 1 STORY CONDO WITH A 262 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 2
BNEWCONDO	6385 PAYSAR LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010078	1/14/22	3/1/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 04 (CRAFTSMAN), UNIT 0401, PLAN 2B: NEW 1,593 SQ.FT, 2 STORY CONDO WITH A 456 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 259 SQ
BNEWCONDO	6381 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010083	1/14/22	2/14/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 20 (CRAFTSMAN), UNIT 2002, PLAN 4-R: NEW 2,027 SQ.FT, 3 STORY CONDO WITH 496 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 140 SQ.
BNEWCONDO	6389 PAYSAR LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010085	1/14/22	3/1/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 04 (CRAFTSMAN), UNIT 0402, PLAN 4R: NEW 2,027 SQ.FT, 3 STORY CONDO WITH A 496 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 120 S
BNEWCONDO	6389 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010089	1/14/22	2/14/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 20 (CRAFTSMAN), UNIT 2004, PLAN 3R-ALT: NEW 1,818 SQ.FT, 3 STORY CONDO WITH 463 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 154
BNEWCONDO	6385 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010096	1/14/22	2/14/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 20 (CRAFTSMAN), UNIT 2003, PLAN 3-R: NEW 1,818 SQ.FT, 3 STORY CONDO WITH 463 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 154 SQ.
BNEWCONDO	6393 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010104	1/14/22	2/14/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 20 (CRAFTSMAN), UNIT 2005, PLAN 4-ALT: NEW 2,027 SQ.FT, 3 STORY CONDO WITH 496 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 140 S
BNEWCONDO	6377 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010114	1/14/22	2/14/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 20 (CRAFTSMAN), UNIT 2001, PLAN 1: NEW 1,178 SQ.FT, 1 STORY CONDO WITH 262 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 211 SQ.FT
BNEWCONDO	6397 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010120	1/14/22	2/14/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 20 (CRAFTSMAN), UNIT 2006, PLAN 2B-ALT-R: NEW 1,593 SQ.FT, 2 STORY CONDO WITH 456 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 25
BNEWCONDO	6373 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010125	1/14/22	2/14/23		0	TOWN CENTER, SHELL BLDG 20 (CRAFTSMAN), 6 UNITS 2001-2006: NEW 10,461 SQ.FT, 1-3 STORY CONDO, TOTALING 2,636 SQ.FT. G
BNEWCONDO	6383 PAYSAR LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010126	1/14/22	3/1/23		0	TOWN CENTER, SHELL BLDG 04 (CRAFTSMAN), 4 UNITS 0401-0404: NEW 6,825 SQ.FT, 1-3 STORY CONDO, TOTALING 1,710 SQ.FT. GA
BNEWCONDO	6478 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010133	1/14/22	2/2/23		0	TOWN CENTER, SHELL BLDG 15 (FARMHOUSE), 5 UNITS 1501-1505: NEW 8,578 SQ.FT, 1-3 STORY CONDO, TOTALING 2,173 SQ.FT. GA
BNEWCONDO	6372 PAYSAR LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010134	1/14/22	3/15/23		0	TOWN CENTER, SHELL BLDG 21 (FARMHOUSE), 6 UNITS 2101-2106: NEW 10,396 SQ.FT, 1-3 STORY CONDO, TOTALING 2,636 SQ.FT. G
BNEWCONDO	6396 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010138	1/14/22	2/2/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 15 (FARMHOUSE), UNIT 1501, PLAN 1 ALT: NEW 1,178 SQ.FT, 1 STORY CONDO WITH 262 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 215 S
BNEWCONDO	6392 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010155	1/14/22	2/2/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 15 (FARMHOUSE), UNIT 1502, PLAN 4-ALT-R: NEW 2,027 SQ.FT, 3 STORY CONDO WITH 496 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 10
BNEWCONDO	6384 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010156	1/14/22	2/2/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 15 (FARMHOUSE), UNIT 1504, PLAN 4: NEW 2,027 SQ.FT, 3 STORY CONDO WITH 496 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 108 SQ.F
BNEWCONDO	6392 PAYSAR LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010157	1/14/22	3/15/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 21 (FARMHOUSE), UNIT 2102, PLAN 4-ALT-R: NEW 2,027 SQ.FT, 3 STORY CONDO WITH 496 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 10
BNEWCONDO	6380 PAYSAR LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010158	1/14/22	3/15/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 21 (FARMHOUSE), UNIT 2105, PLAN 4: NEW 2,027 SQ.FT, 3 STORY CONDO WITH 496 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 108 SQ.F
BNEWCONDO	6380 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010177	1/14/22	2/2/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 15 (FARMHOUSE), UNIT 1505, PLAN 2A-R: NEW 1,528 SQ.FT, 2 STORY CONDO WITH 456 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 215 S
BNEWCONDO	6388 TAWHANA LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010167	1/14/22	2/2/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 15 (FARMHOUSE), UNIT 1503, PLAN 3-ALT-R: NEW 1,818 SQ.FT, 3 STORY CONDO WITH 463 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 12
BNEWCONDO	6388 PAYSAR LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010168	1/14/22	3/15/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 21 (FARMHOUSE), UNIT 2103, PLAN 3-ALT-R: NEW 1,818 SQ.FT, 3 STORY CONDO WITH 463 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 12
BNEWCONDO	6384 PAYSAR LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010169	1/14/22	3/15/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 21 (FARMHOUSE), UNIT 2104, PLAN 3: NEW 1,818 SQ.FT, 3 STORY CONDO WITH 463 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 120 SQ.F
BNEWCONDO	6396 PAYSAR LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010176	1/14/22	3/15/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 21 (FARMHOUSE), UNIT 2101, PLAN 2A-ALT: NEW 1,528 SQ.FT, 2 STORY CONDO WITH 456 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 259
BNEWCONDO	6393 PAYSAR LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010106	1/14/22	3/1/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 04 (CRAFTSMAN), UNIT 0403, PLAN 4: NEW 2,027 SQ.FT, 3 STORY CONDO WITH A 496 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 120 SQ.
BNEWCONDO	6376 PAYSAR LN	TR10472 TOWN	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22010140	1/14/22	3/15/23		1	TOWN CENTER, BLDG 21 (FARMHOUSE), UNIT 2106, PLAN 1-R: NEW 1,178 SQ.FT, 1 STORY CONDO WITH 262 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 215 SQ.
Count	25	Number of This Permit Type			25	0	0	21	
BNEWRES	2202 COLUMBINE CT	783 72 061	KRUPA STANISLAW TRU	21060139	6/21/21	3/13/23		1	NEW 5,440 SQ. FT., TWO STORY SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE WITH 720 SQ. FT. ATTACHED THREE CAR GARAGE, 5,765 SQ. FT. OF NE
BNEWRES	1480 WINZER PL	TR10520 MALVA	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020180	2/24/22	2/14/23		1	MALVASIA, TRACT 10520: NEW 2,252 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 423 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 165 SQ.FT. PORCH, 2 STORY, 5 BEDROOMS, 3 BATHRO
BNEWRES	1450 WINZER PL	TR10520 MALVA	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020177	2/24/22	2/14/23		1	MALVASIA, TRACT 10520: NEW 1,619 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 422 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 36 SQ.FT. PORCH, 1 STORY, 3 BEDROOMS, 2 BATHROOM
BNEWRES	1475 WINZER PL	TR10520 MALVA	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020176	2/24/22	2/14/23		1	MALVASIA, TRACT 10520: NEW 1,619 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 422 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 36 SQ.FT. PORCH, 1 STORY, 3 BEDROOMS, 2 BATHROOM
BNEWRES	1460 WINZER PL	TR10520 MALVA	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020178	2/24/22	2/14/23		1	MALVASIA, TRACT 10520: NEW 1,856 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 431 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 144 SQ.FT. PORCH, 2 STORY, 4 BEDROOMS, 2.5 BATHRO
BNEWRES	1505 WINZER PL	TR10520 MALV	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020175	2/24/22	2/14/23		1	MALVASIA, TRACT 10520: NEW 1,619 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 422 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 36 SQ.FT. PORCH, 1 STORY, 3 BEDROOMS, 2 BATHROOM
BNEWRES	1470 WINZER PL	TR10520 MALVA	KB HOME SOUTH BAY, I	22020179	2/24/22	2/14/23		1	MALVASIA, TRACT 10520: NEW 1,619 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 422 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 36 SQ.FT. PORCH, 1 STORY, 3 BEDROOMS, 2 BATHROOM
BNEWRES	7248 CHURCH ST	799 09 045	SANDHU GABANDEEP S	22080155	8/22/22	1/17/23		2	NEW SFR 1,652 SQ. FT. WITH ATTACHED 500 SQ.FT. ADU AND 800 SQ. FT. DETACHED GARAGE. must pay ndo fee prior to issuance per h
BNEWRES	9170 KERN AVE	TR10582 COTTA	DR HORTON BAY INC	22100075	10/12/22	1/30/23		1	COTTAGES AT KERN MODEL, TRACT 10582: PLAN 3-A, NEW 1,906 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 494 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 40 SQ.FT. PORCH, 2 STORY,
BNEWRES	9160 KERN AVE	790 17 003	D R HORTON BAY INC	22100074	10/12/22	1/30/23		1	COTTAGES AT KERN MODEL, TRACT 10582: PLAN 2-B, NEW 1,762 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 400 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 89 SQ.FT. PORCH, 2 STORY,
BNEWRES	670 BARTON WY	TR10582 COTTA	DR HORTON BAY INC	22120085	12/11/22	2/9/23		1	COTTAGES AT KERN, TRACT 10582: NEW 1,762 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 400 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 89 SQ.FT. PORCH, 2 STORY, 4 BEDROOMS, 2.5
BNEWRES	685 BARTON WY	TR10582 COTTA	DR HORTON BAY INC	22120086	12/11/22	2/9/23		1	COTTAGES AT KERN, TRACT 10582: NEW 1,762 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 400 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 89 SQ.FT. PORCH, 2 STORY, 4 BEDROOMS, 2.5
BNEWRES	9130 KERN AVE	TR10582 COTTA	DR HORTON BAY INC	22120091	12/11/22	2/9/23		1	COTTAGES AT KERN, TRACT 10582: NEW 1,906 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 394 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 50 SQ.FT. PORCH, 2 STORY, 4 BEDROOMS, 3 B
BNEWRES	9140 KERN AVE	TR10582 COTTA	DR HORTON BAY INC	22120093	12/11/22	2/9/23		1	COTTAGES AT KERN, TRACT 10582: NEW 1,762 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 400 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 89 SQ.FT. PORCH, 2 STORY, 4 BEDROOMS, 2.5
BNEWRES	680 BARTON WY	TR10582 COTTA	DR HORTON BAY INC	22120094	12/11/22	2/9/23		1	COTTAGES AT KERN, TRACT 10582: NEW 1,762 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 400 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 89 SQ.FT. PORCH, 2 STORY, 4 BEDROOMS, 2.5
BNEWRES	675 BARTON WY	TR10582 COTTA	DR HORTON BAY INC	22120102	12/11/22	2/9/23		1	COTTAGES AT KERN, TRACT 10582: NEW 1,762 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 400 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 89 SQ.FT. PORCH, 2 STORY, 4 BEDROOMS, 2.5
BNEWRES	690 BARTON WY	TR10582 COTTA	DR HORTON BAY INC	22120082	12/11/22	2/9/23		1	COTTAGES AT KERN, TRACT 10582: NEW 1,519 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 404 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 40 SQ.FT. PORCH, 2 STORY, 3 BEDROOMS, 2 B
BNEWRES	695 BARTON WY	TR10582 COTTA	DR HORTON BAY INC	22120099	12/11/22	2/9/23		1	COTTAGES AT KERN, TRACT 10582: NEW 1,519 SQ.FT. SFR WITH 404 SQ.FT. GARAGE, 40 SQ.FT. PORCH, 2 STORY, 3 BEDROOMS, 2 B
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BRESADU	7248 CHURCH ST	799 09 045	SANDHU GABANDEEP S	22080156	8/22/22	1/17/23		1	NEW 998 SQ. FT. DETACHED ADU. must pay ndo fee prior to issuance hp 22-16
BRESADU	999 WELBURN AVE	790 42 005	RANDY & RHONDA CHA	22100172	10/27/22	2/21/23		1	CONVERT EXISTING 280 SQ. FT STORAGE SHED AND ADDING 220 SQ. FT. TO TOTAL 500 SQ. FT. DETACHED ADU. 1 BEDROOM, 1 FUL
Count	2	Number of This Permit Type			2	0	0	2	

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BNEWRES	2354 BANYAN ST	783 65 022	22050116	5/18/22	4/26/23	NEW 3 STORY, 6,382.91 SQ.FT. SFR, WITH 4 BEDROOMS, 4.5 BATHROOMS, BASEMENT, A 631.38 SQ.FT. GARAGE & A 130 SQ.FT. DETACHED ACCESSORY STRU
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BRES2UNIT	655 JOHNSON WY	799 40 037	23010162	1/31/23	5/1/23	NEW ATTACHED 735 SQ. FT. ADU, 2 BEDROOM, 2 BATHROOM WITH KITCHEN. NEW ATTACHED 375 SQ. FT. PATIO.
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BRESADU	435 LEWIS ST	841 03 106	22070137	7/26/22	5/22/23	CONVERT EXISTING 525 SQ. FT. DETACHED GARAGE TO A 2 BEDROOM 1 BATHROOM ADU WITH KITCHEN.
BRESADU	212 LOUPE CT	790 38 069	22090025	9/8/22	3/28/23	NEW 613 SQ.FT. DETACHED ADU TO REAR OF SFR. INCLUDES 1 BEDROOM, 1 FULL BATHROOM, AND KITCHEN WITH TANKLESS WATER HEATER AND MINI SPL
BRESADU	8330 GLENWOOD DR	790 34 023	22120065	12/7/22	3/22/23	NEW 320 SQ. FT. DETACHED ADU WITH KITCHEN, 100 SQ.FT. PORCH. NEW ATTACHED 315 SQ. FT. GARAGE.
BRESADU	7440 HANNA ST	799 18 058	22120061	12/7/22	4/10/23	CONVERT EXISITNG 720 SQ. FT. GARAGE SHOP INTO A DETACHED ADU WITH 2 BEDROOMS, 1 BATHROOM, WASHER DRYER ROOM, FAMILY ROOM AND KITCH
BRESADU	8011 CHURCH ST UNIT C	790 35 006	23020096	2/21/23	5/10/23	LEGALIZE EXISTING 411 SQ. FT. ADU, 1 BEDROOM, 1 BATH, FULL KITCHEN.
BRESADU	8011 CHURCH ST UNIT B	790 35 006	23020095	2/21/23	5/10/23	LEGALIZE EXISTING 409 SQ. FT. ADU, 1 BEDROOM, 1 BATH, KITCHENETTE.
BRESADU	7776 CHURCH ST	799 03 074	23030170	3/21/23	4/12/23	DEMO 169 SQ. FT. OF LIVING SPACE FROM AN EXISTING 1,529 SQ. FT. HOUSE TO ACCOMMODATE NEW DETACHED 915 SQ.FT. ADU. 2 BEDROOMS, 2 BATHROO
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BRESJADU	7691 CHURCH ST STE B	799 49 018	23010037	1/5/23	5/17/23	CONVERT 470 SQ. FT. (E) ATTACHED GARAGE TO JADU UNIT WITH 34 SQ. FT. COVERED PORCH AND 150 SQ. FT. DECK. 1 BEDROOM, 1 BATHROOM.
BRESJADU	760 WELBURN AVE	790 24 025	23030047	3/6/23	5/17/23	CONVERT 328 SQ. FT. OF AN EXISTING GARAGE INTO A 1 BEDROOM, 1 BATHROOM JADU WITH A KITCHENETTE.
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OMS. Permit and Impact fees paid on 21030129. Replaces expired permit 21030129 2019 CODES PER B.O.

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ITEM # 7
Supplemental Information No. 4

COMMENT LETTERS

Please see the attached comment letters from members of the public regarding Gilroy USA Amendment 2021 (received as of June 5, 2023, 5:00 p.m.).

From: virgviolin@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Virginia Smedberg](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 4:18:34 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

And we do not need to add to the Gilroy's citizens' costs: Low-density development out on the edges of cities costs more to provide with urban services such as police and fire protection, sewer service and water supply, trash collection, road maintenance, and schools, parks and libraries. In this case, the city of Gilroy's own economic analysis found that this development would have a negative fiscal impact on both Gilroy and Santa Clara County. In addition, Gilroy is already struggling to provide adequate fire protection and keep the roads in good repair; adding acres of new development out beyond city limits would strain those services even further.

Seems to me this is a no-brainer - it would benefit no one except the developers.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Virginia Smedberg
441 Washington Ave Palo Alto, CA 94301-3953
virgviolin@hotmail.com

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To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 4:18:31 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Eric Cheatham
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eric_cheatham@yahoo.com

From: Jgonhawk@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [John and Therese Gonsalves](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 4:13:02 PM

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Sincerely,
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Jgonhawk@aol.com

From: grapevine6@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Adelaide De Medeiros](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 4:12:22 PM

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Sincerely,
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From: jpearson@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [James Pearson](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: lnoori@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Laila Noori](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 4:03:52 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: linda@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Linda Elkind](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 3:59:10 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. Not only is this proposal a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. More than 30 years ago I wrote letters to LAFCO in which I made the same arguments that I repeat today. San Jose has finally wisely preserved Coyote Valley. LAFCO should In this era of climate change, mandate that cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains. With miles of sprawl across Santa Clara County, Gilroy has a chance to retain a more compact urban service boundary and more economical service area and convenient compact community..

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: ljlaroche@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Laura LaRoche](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 3:58:41 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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ljlaroche@aol.com

From: hannah.laszlo.rath@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Hannah Laszlo-Rath](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 3:53:04 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment! Let's protect our land for our children and grandchildren.

Sincerely,
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From: Towildwood@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Freda Hofland](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 3:39:40 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

I urge you to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please vote "no" on the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment.

Sincerely,
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From: joel@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Joel Gartland](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 3:39:22 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Joel Gartland
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From: rcgrosso@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Robert Grosso](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 3:36:34 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Robert Grosso
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From: marquez9@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Linda Marquez](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 3:31:46 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Linda Marquez
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marquez9@att.net

From: snoozin@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Susan Anderson](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 3:30:23 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Susan Anderson
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From: amycostanza@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Amy Marcotullio](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 3:19:09 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

With so many communities being inundated by sprawl and overtaxed by unmitigated, poorly planned growth, please don't Gilroy be another statistic.

Please keep Gilroy the unique and amazing place it is. Quality of life and preservation of farmland are must be saved. Please preserve them by denying the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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amycostanza@gmail.com

From: crisibajacibo@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Cristina Jacobo](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 3:14:04 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: gordoncsp@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Sarah Laws](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 3:02:36 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Sarah Laws
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From: DBeckerRD@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Darcy Becker](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Darcy Becker
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From: marylehmer01@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mary Lehmer](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Mary Lehmer
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marylehmer01@gmail.com

From: kuti3058@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Michael Kutilek](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Michael Kutilek
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From: Katja.irvin@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Katja Irvin](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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From: marcyp22@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Marcy Powers](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Marcy Powers
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From: surblu@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Laura Zarcone](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 2:15:53 PM

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Sincerely,
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From: marilyn.moriah@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Marilyn Moriah Manuel](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 2:10:37 PM

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Sincerely,
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From: martinezplace@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Rachel Martinez](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Rachel Martinez
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martinezplace@sbcglobal.net

From: liz.guardino@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Liz Guardino](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Liz Guardino
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liz.guardino@yahoo.com

From: ecorey@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Ellyn Corey](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 1:37:48 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This just doesn't make sense when there is in-fill opportunities available for housing. The commute traffic in and out of Gilroy is already horrific.

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,

Ellyn Corey

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From: debbbrewer@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Deborah Brewer](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Thank you,
Deborah Brewer

Sincerely,
Deborah Brewer
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From: annduwe422@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Ann Duwe](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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One could build a number of small, single-family homes within Gilroy's existing boundaries, and such building would serve the city and the county far better than converting precious farmland.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: softon4legs@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [LINDA CUNNINGHAM](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 1:27:03 PM

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Sincerely,
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From: ciana.moreno18@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Ciana Ciana I Moreno](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 1:18:14 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Sincerely,
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From: Markgion55@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mark Gion](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 1:11:00 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Mark Gion
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From: hlattanzi@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Heather Lattanzi](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 1:03:10 PM

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California purports to be a state that values the environment. We must start walking the talk.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: Fricano.marian@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Marian Fricano](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 1:03:03 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Dear Folks:

I lived in Morgan Hill many, many years ago and I have a great interest in the saving of the wonderful land still open in Gilroy.

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Please let's keep open space a priority in this fast time of development, let there remain free open spaces.

Sincerely,
Marian Fricano

Sincerely,
Marian Fricano
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From: carolannkuster@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Carol Kuster](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 12:54:30 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Carol Kuster
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carolannkuster@gmail.com

From: charli_egan@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Cathleen Guzman](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 12:36:00 PM

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Sincerely,
Cathleen Guzman
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From: hita.modha@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Hita Bambhania-Modha](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 12:27:08 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal.

This proposal is a standard example of thoughtless unnecessary sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities need to focus new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland.

As most of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost to development, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: bc899899@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Brian Carr](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 12:25:47 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

LAFCO is supposed to discourage sprawl. Therefore, the proposed amendemnt of the Urban Service area scheduled for June 7th should be denied.

By its own cost analysis Gilroy has found that the expansion would have a negative financial impact on both the city of Gilroy and Santa Clara County. . This proposal would cause unwise sprawl and land is available within the city limits. It would also have an adverse effect on climate change.

Please preserve what is left of the diminishing farmland in the county!

Sincerely,
Brian Carr
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From: stacey.95014@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Stacey Campbell](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 12:19:42 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Stacey Campbell
1511 Olive Grove Ct Gilroy, CA 95020-2731
stacey.95014@gmail.com

From: judgemoo@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Charlene Henley](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Charlene Henley
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judgemoo@aol.com

From: debtones@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Deborah Taylor](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 12:07:38 PM

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Sincerely,
Deborah Taylor
75 S 17th St San Jose, CA 95112-2032
debtones@gmail.com

From: Wintergery@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Winter Dellenbach](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 12:04:57 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal to save this farmland open space.

To allow the proposal is counter to your remit to prevent sprawl. Please vote to deny it.

Sincerely,
Winter Dellenbach
859 La Para Ave Palo Alto, CA 94306-2648
Wintergery@earthlink.net

From: ted10000@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Ted Fishman](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 12:02:36 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Ted Fishman
790 Villa Teresa Way San Jose, CA 95123-2639
ted10000@hotmail.com

From: marion_farber@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Marion Farber](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 11:57:55 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Marion Farber
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marion_farber@yahoo.com

From: rajkirk@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [rod kirk](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 11:46:38 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Come on LAFCO Commissioners, you are in a position to help protect urban sprawl around Gilroy and to help retain very important open space and farmland. Be a part of saving land that is important for our health and the planets health. You know it is the right thing to do so please help save this important land!!

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
rod kirk
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rajkirk@gmail.com

From: wendy.oconnor86@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Wendy O'Connor](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 11:45:24 AM

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Sincerely,
Wendy O'Connor
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wendy.oconnor86@gmail.com

From: mushrunk@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Karen Stephenson](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Karen Stephenson
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mushrunk@sbcglobal.net

From: the_steiners@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Patrice Steiner](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 11:38:49 AM

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Sincerely,
Patrice Steiner
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the_steiners@att.net

From: etkallagh@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Elizabeth Taylor](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 11:36:44 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

(I thought a measure passed a few years ago stating no development north of Day road?)

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Taylor
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etkallagh@yahoo.com

From: markanderton@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [mark anderton](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
mark anderton
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markanderton@gmail.com

From: judith.butts@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Judith Butts](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 11:32:36 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Judith Butts
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judith.butts@gmail.com

From: wejunk@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Elaine Lee](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 11:29:47 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland.

Development on open space far from transit results in more driving and thus more greenhouse gas emissions. It also destroys the carbon-absorbing open space we need to protect. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Elaine Lee
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wejunk@sbcglobal.net

From: mojgan00@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mojgan Mahdizadeh](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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mojgan00@hotmail.com

From: juliegroves111@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Julie Groves](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 11:15:43 AM

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Sincerely,
Julie Groves
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juliegroves111@comcast.net

From: mustangcapo@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Fred Banchemo](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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mustangcapo@yahoo.com

From: rlc1999@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Robert Chavez](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Robert Chavez
1200 Manning Ct San Martin, CA 95046-9711
rlc1999@yahoo.com

From: onlineschindler@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Klaus Schindler](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Klaus Schindler

Sincerely,
Klaus Schindler
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onlineschindler@hotmail.com

From: jefjulia@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jeffrey Bostak](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
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Sincerely,
Jeffrey Bostak
1470 Dias Dr San Martin, CA 95046-9750
jefjulia@gmail.com

From: gardeninglady@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Michelle Lieberman](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
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Sincerely,
Michelle Lieberman
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gardeninglady@gmail.com

From: gina.damiano@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Gina Damiano](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Gina Damiano
9920 Bobcat Ct Gilroy, CA 95020-9366
gina.damiano@gmail.com

From: lianacrabtree@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Liana Crabtree](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Liana Crabtree
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lianacrabtree@yahoo.com

From: dstjulien@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Deborah St Julien](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Deborah St Julien
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dstjulien@sbcglobal.net

From: elizabeth@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Elizabeth Guimarin](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Farmland is precious. With our growing population, we need to protect farmland for growing food and future food security. Development within city areas can be made more dense for better providing services and housing.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Guimarin
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elizabeth@guimarin.net

From: nancy.hay@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Nancy Hay](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Nancy Hay
373 Pine Ln Apt A218 Los Altos, CA 94022-1684
nancy.hay@sbcglobal.net

From: stephen.l.mchenry@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Stephen McHenry](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:41:15 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Dear LAFCO,

I am very uninterested in more housing in the middle ground between Gilroy and Coyote Valley. It is not needed and is a poor idea. We will have a shrunken valley, less chance for great land spaces and more smoke, cars and accidents - not to mention the expense of new homes in Santa Clara County.

We reside in South County in San Jose, and love the open air of it. I don't know why building here is so important - and when it cannot be afforded by the rank and file of residents.

We don't need to "live like kings" - we need to survive and protect our peace of mind and health!

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Stephen McHenry
south San Jose

Sincerely,
Stephen McHenry
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stephen.l.mchenry@gmail.com

From: carolyn.rosyfinch.straub@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Carolyn Straub](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:38:52 AM

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Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Straub
south San Jose

Sincerely,
Carolyn Straub
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carolyn.rosyfinch.straub@gmail.com

From: svtriathlete@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [David Ledesma](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
David Ledesma
3033 Moorpark Ave Ste 23 San Jose, CA 95128-2521
svtriathlete@hotmail.com

From: mail@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jill Kilty Newburn](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:38:18 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Jill Kilty Newburn
11954 De Paul Cir San Martin, CA 95046-9647
mail@knfarms.com

From: dave.poeschel@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [David Poeschel](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:35:02 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
David Poeschel
6004 Crossview Cir San Jose, CA 95120-1530
dave.poeschel@gmail.com

From: gorska@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Caryl Gorska](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:34:40 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Caryl Gorska
10103 Senate Way Cupertino, CA 95014-5709
gorska@gorska.com

From: mimasmith7150@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Marilynn Smith](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:29:10 AM

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Sincerely,
Marilynn Smith
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mimasmith7150@icloud.com

From: sandyfaria@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Sandy Rosenberg](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:22:49 AM

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Sincerely,
Sandy Rosenberg
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sandyfaria@yahoo.com

From: moazazi@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mathilde Moazazi](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Mathilde Moazazi
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From: lmahoney13@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lisa Munro](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Lisa Munro
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lmahoney13@yahoo.com

From: luna802@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Sharon Luna](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:12:23 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

You can not have it both ways. If you say want to protect farmland and build homes for farm workers and then take designated farming away, why build homes specifically for farm workers. Your role is to be the voice of reason and address the protection of our dwindling wildlife.

Please, let's stop and recognize the value of farming and wildlife habitats. Remember the story written by Dr. Seuss 's book The Lorax. Please don't let this happen in Gilroy.

Thank you,
Sharon Luna

Sincerely,
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From: marymcveygill@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mary Gill](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:11:46 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: towie56@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Caroline Bering](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:05:32 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: kiraod@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kira Od](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:00:59 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

I visit Gilroy often and feel pressed to respectfully request that you deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal while there is still abundant room for new residential growth in Gilroy's urban infill areas. Sunnyvale, where I live, has almost no farmland or open space left due to unbridled sprawl and is a textbook example of why NOT to allow it in Gilroy. Farmers, farm workers, and nature itself deserves more respect than this. With the roads in town and public services already as bad as they are in Gilroy, it is incomprehensible that adding to the town's existing public burden could benefit anyone but a few wealthy developers.

Please deny the Urban Service Area amendment.

Sincerely,
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From: seaglass103@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Patricia Blevins](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:00:37 AM

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Sprawl isn't just bad for the environment, it's bad for taxpayers. Low-density development out on the edges of cities costs more to provide with urban services such as police and fire protection, sewer service and water supply, trash collection, road maintenance, and schools, parks and libraries. In this case, the city of Gilroy's own economic analysis found that this development would have a negative fiscal impact on both Gilroy and Santa Clara County. In addition, Gilroy is already struggling to provide adequate fire protection and keep the roads in good repair; adding acres of new development out beyond city limits would strain those services even further.

The Santa Clara Valley has lost the vast majority of its historic farmland. We need to protect what remains in order to provide communities with locally grown food. Also, in an era of climate change, it's irresponsible to build sprawl development on open space far from transit. Not only does this result in more driving and thus more greenhouse gas emissions, it destroys the carbon-absorbing open space we need to protect.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: la-warren@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lisa Warren](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 9:56:52 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

You will hopefully receive MANY messages just like this one. In an effort to let you know that I have informed myself about the issues and agree wholeheartedly with the simple message below, as well as the details that are behind the statements. I did not simply 'cut and paste' this request to your LAFCO body.

Please, please, Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Lisa Warren

Sincerely,
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From: desimon@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [David Simon](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 9:56:16 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Gilroy has proposed expanding its Urban Service Area. This expansion will simply enable sprawl development, worsening climate change and all of the other sprawl-related problems. Gilroy should be building infill residences, not sprawling onto open space and farmland.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: kwandry@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Keith Wandry](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: wcleikam@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Bill Leikam](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 9:51:51 AM

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Sincerely,
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From: kwandry007@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Keith Wandry](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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From: Rlhome@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Rick Horne](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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From: carolruth1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Carol Ruth](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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From: aventura@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Andria Ventura](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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From: sarah.r.hannah@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Sarah Ro](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Sincerely,
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From: eric.d.acedo@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Eric Acedo](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

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From: joelscottd@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Joel Davidson](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 9:38:26 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Sincerely,
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From: kdhoward1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Katie Howard](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: susan@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Susan Pines](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 9:29:37 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Maintaining Open Space and avoiding urban sprawl are important land use concerns. Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: sleeprice66@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Susan Price](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 9:20:34 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

We don't need more to lose more agricultural land to single family tract homes. Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

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Sincerely,
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From: ckittymoore@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kitty Moore](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 9:20:31 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

This is important to everyone in the valley!

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. This project goes against the State's Climate Change Green House Gas reduction laws and policies. It harms natural groundwater recharge needed for our drinking water aquifers. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Support responsible infill development near the transit corridors to support public transit and provide affordable housing and GHG reductions.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment! Instead, continue to develop responsibly in already urbanized areas with sound science and policies as our environmental stewards.

Sincerely,
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From: c_kangas@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Christopher Kangas](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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From: acs1647@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Adrian Simpkins](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
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Sincerely,
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From: davidbyam@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [David Byam](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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From: colleencabot@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Colleen Cabot](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 9:06:49 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Sincerely,
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From: mhippard@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Melissa Hippard](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 9:06:38 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal.

Please take responsibility for ensuring current and future generations have a healthy environment with access to fresh food, clean water and air. Sprawl development creates long term negative impacts - more traffic, pollution and loss of landscapes for people and wildlife. It is unnecessary to approve this proposal and you have a responsibility to ensure reasonable growth. The science is clear - build within existing city limits!

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: rauschermd@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mark Rauscher](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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From: meadowlarkltb@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lynn Buck](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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From: onealk888@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kathy O'Neal](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:55:40 AM

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Sincerely,
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From: mulvey@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Trish Mulvey](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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From: Bellasherman@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Theresa Sherman](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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From: mikeamoser@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mike Moser](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:51:04 AM

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Sincerely,
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From: katiecurnyn@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Katie Foltz](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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From: karen@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Karen Batey](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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From: dianehart@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Diane Hart](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Yours in hope,

Diane Hart

Sincerely,
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From: rocknboots17@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lois Phillips](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:42:32 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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rocknboots17@yahoo.com

From: dirkmar6@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Dirk Martin](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:40:31 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: kzeidenstein@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kathryn Zeidenstein](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:30:30 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. It's backwards thinking to think housing issues can be solved by urban sprawl and low density housing. Instead, the city should focus on infill and on preserving farmland for our very uncertain climate future.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: ncmartin@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Nancy Martin](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:28:36 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: nabeel@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Nabeel Al-Shamma](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:26:55 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: frogleap@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Craig Britton](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:25:48 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: annmonroegsb@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Ann Monroe](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:25:43 AM

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Sincerely,
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From: cherylherms@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Cheryl Herms](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:22:56 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: devonfoster2@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Devon Foster](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:22:25 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. Gilroy is already suffering with short staffing and low budgets, there is no way to support this development with the existing resources. The roads can't support this development either and the congestion will only add to the already existing pollution problem which effects the existing farmlands and residents. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: marshmama2@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Emily Renzel](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:21:53 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: skipscollan@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Skip Scollan](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:21:38 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: kellylanspa@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kellyann Lanspa](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:20:40 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: maisen@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Janet Maisen](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:18:39 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Janet Maisen

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Janet Maisen
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From: kcaidoy@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kristal Caidoy](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:18:17 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: jannana@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Janna Pauser](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:16:52 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: marybobcat@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mary Bernstein](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:15:56 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Mary Bernstein
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From: steffyreader@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Stephanie Reader](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:12:07 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development which the City of Gilroy's own analysis says will damage its budget, and Santa Clara County's as well.

In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: dmirandaro@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Daniela Miranda](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:07:26 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: linaswisher@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lina Swisher](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:05:25 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: seanvoss@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Sean Voss](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:03:37 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: steffyreader@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Stephanie Reader](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:03:19 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development, which the economic analysis made by the City of Gilroy has rejected as having a negative economic impact on both the City and on Santa Clara County as a whole. The open land in the southern portion of our County has inestimable value for all of us due to its beauty, history, ecological services and agricultural production. Tract housing does not further our common interests!

In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains from unwise over-development.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Stephanie Reader
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From: lisafvoss@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lisa Voss](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:02:41 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: drderome@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Danielle DeRome](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:02:30 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: cdegraw11@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Chris Degraw](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:02:24 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: trishcaldwell66@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Brenda Caldwell](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:01:06 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: patty4282@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Patty Linder](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:58:59 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Patty Linder
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From: lesliesinboxis@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Leslie Siegler](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:58:26 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Leslie Siegler
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From: lillig.carol@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Carol Lillig](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:52:09 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Hi! I've been reading about the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal seems to me to be an unwise sprawl development, moving beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the majority of Santa Clara Valley's farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

My suggestion would be to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Carol Lillig

Sincerely,
Carol Lillig
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From: deniseacomb@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Denise Acomb](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:51:20 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

STOP THE SPRAWL !!!!! Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

P L E A S E P L E A S E P L E A S E

SAVE OUR FARMLAND - and - DON'T WASTE TAXPAYER MONEY !!!!!

Sincerely,
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From: green_rhythm@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Clysta Seney](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:47:51 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: karamandujano@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kara Mandujano](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:47:23 AM

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Sincerely,
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From: anil@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Anil Gangolli](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:43:08 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: davydavidson@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Davy Davidson](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:42:52 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

I care about our environment!

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: julie.cruzal@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Julie Cruzal](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:40:39 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: alison.cingolani@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Alison Cingolani](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:39:46 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: megg_m3@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mario Guzman](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:38:57 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: nancyafeder2018@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Nancy Federspiel](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:31:54 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: ser84@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Stephen Rock](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:30:48 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Build within current city limits. This makes it to provide services and preserves agricultural land . Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: sandysongy1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Sandy Songy](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:30:24 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: brennakate42@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Brenna Maksim](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:28:46 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: emilyramend@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Emily Amend](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:27:09 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: valerie_carter@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Valerie Carter](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:25:55 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: Vevomen@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Pat Lang](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:25:51 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: newwolfs@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Linda Wolf](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:22:50 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: reaserlest@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Robert Reese](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:21:36 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please continue the excellence LAFCO has exhibited over the years in directing smart growth to within cities, preserving agricultural land and curtailing urban sprawl.

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: jakeh01@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Deborah Hernandez](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:20:39 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: allanleeb1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Allan Berkowitz](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:20:35 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: stephen.koren@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Stephen Koren](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:17:52 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: graceannj@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Graceann Johnson](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:16:18 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: lynjudd@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lynette Judd](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:11:29 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: mehmasarja@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Yudhvir Sidhu](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:08:17 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: katie.wedl@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Katie Wedl](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:07:45 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: llb768@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Linda Bayer](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:07:21 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Linda Bayer
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From: mikewittig65@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Michael Wittig](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:59:45 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Michael Wittig
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From: hutches1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Julie Makrai](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:59:45 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. It affects residents' safety, is costly to taxpayers over the long-term, and unnecessarily paves over farmland and open space.

In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: lynn.morgan2020@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lynn Morgan](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:59:45 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

As a grandmother, I am concerned about preserving our farmland and not allowing further urban sprawl. Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: wryeone@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Sally Wrye](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:54:18 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!
Sally Wrye

Sincerely,
Sally Wrye
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From: mniimee@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Christi Cerna](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:54:00 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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From: martha6@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Martha Schumacher](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:52:49 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: cbley12@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Claire Bleymaier](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:48:39 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: madacres.dc@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [David Clare](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:47:19 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: aliea58@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Alie Victorine](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:46:42 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Alie Victorine
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From: samsontu@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Samson Tu](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:45:40 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Urban sprawl does not pay for itself in the long run. The city incurs the maintenance cost of the extended infrastructure without adequate resources to pay for it.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: jsegall@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jeffrey Segall](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:44:32 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Your agency has played a key role in preventing this sort of sprawl for a frat many years. Keep Ip the good work!
Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Thank you!

Sincerely,
Jeffrey Segall
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From: peterhart3@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Peter Hart](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:42:45 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Peter Hart

Sincerely,
Peter Hart
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From: cdloo@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Chris Loo](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:42:41 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Chris Loo
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From: Slstrouse@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Sandi Strouse](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:41:53 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: rkpayne1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Richard Payne](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:41:22 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Increase residential density near public transportation, not sprawl that requires more cars. Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: lesley@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lesley Miles](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:39:45 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: brucekanderson@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Bruce Anderson](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:39:14 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: btremaine@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Brian Tremaine](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:38:47 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. This is also not a wise budget decision. Low density sprawl costs much more than the services for for urban infill. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Regards,
Brian Tremaine

Sincerely,
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From: eedfern@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Erin Redfern](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:37:06 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: phidgety@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Phill Laursen](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:36:40 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: martinmary99@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mary E Martin](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:36:12 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

I implore you to vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development, of which we have had FAR too much of for years in the Valley of Heart's Delight. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas to access current water, sewer, and other city services, not sprawling beyond city limits onto precious and limited open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: lisa.barboza@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lisa Barboza](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:35:39 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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The traffic going north and south on Hwy 101 is already awful. I don't know why you would want to make it worse without any kind of mass transit in place.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely, Lisa Barboza, Sierra Club Loma Prieta

Sincerely,
Lisa Barboza
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lisa.barboza@gmail.com

From: rene.spring@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Rene Spring - Councilmember](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:35:11 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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rene.spring@morganhill.ca.gov

From: Ram.Appalaraju@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [RAM V APPALARAJU](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:33:40 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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Ram.Appalaraju@gmail.com

From: bhamram@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Manjeet Singh](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:33:19 AM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Manjeet Singh
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bhamram@gmail.com

From: rickshrum@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Rick Shrum](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:32:10 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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rickshrum@sbcglobal.net

From: mosesmena@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Moises Mena](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Saturday, June 3, 2023 11:17:09 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Moises Mena
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mosesmena@gmail.com

From: Jeanine.peek@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jeanine Peek](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 4:30:27 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Jeanine Peek
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Jeanine.peek@comcast.net

ITEM # 7
Supplemental Information No. 5

COMMENT LETTERS

Please see the attached comment letters from members of the public regarding Gilroy USA Amendment 2021 (received as of June 7, 2023, 8:00 a.m.).

From: lm-long@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lynne Long](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 10:03:22 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Lynne Long
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lm-long@mac.com

From: ALICE.SMITH@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Alice Smith](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 9:28:31 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Pay attention to the impact your decision will have on the health of all the citizens of the Bay Area. Protect this land. Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Alice Smith
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ALICE.SMITH@GMAIL.COM

From: bblgumgrrl@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Madeline Guzules](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 9:25:29 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. Cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. Let the already developed cities hold more people and keep our rural areas rural.

With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains. Additionally, with the changing climate and the rains this past winter/spring, suburban sprawling into fertile or flood-prone land is not a food idea.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Madeline Guzules
5270 Garrison Cir San Jose, CA 95123-2113
bblgumgrrl@gmail.com

From: v_adas@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Victoria Shaw](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 9:07:49 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Victoria Shaw
680 Easy St Morgan Hill, CA 95037-6211
v_adas@yahoo.com

From: sandyhanes@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Sandra Hanes](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 8:49:21 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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We already have a small city in Glen Loma in the south end of the city that isn't even built out yet. We don't need more people, more cars and more congestion

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Sandra Hanes
1025 Sage Hill Dr Gilroy, CA 95020-8133
sandyhanes@ymail.com

From: kkgkelly@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kelly Graham](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 8:24:51 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

This is an old answer that has so many downsides it's hard to believe you are even considering it. Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Kelly Graham
1569 Husted Ave San Jose, CA 95125-4755
kkgkelly@sbcglobal.net

From: robnlaurie@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Laurie Quintel](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 7:01:04 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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The Gilroy City Council is focused on development to bring in revenue without regard to the consequences to the environment. The City of Gilroy has done a poor job in planning for the infrastructure necessary to support the development it has already allowed.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Laurie Quintel
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From: tigergary@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Gary Bailey](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 5:42:57 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

I write to ask that you not approve the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. It seems clear that this proposal is a textbook example of unacceptable sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Gary Bailey
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tigergary@earthlink.net

From: domnauer@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Nancy Domnauer](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 5:24:55 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

It's important to Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Nancy Domnauer
470 Calle Asta Morgan Hill, CA 95037-7502
domnauer@yahoo.com

From: joanne@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Joanne Conca](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 5:23:10 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. I believe in property rights but this proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. The roadways are already congested between Morgan Hill and Gilroy and this will make it worse. We need to preserve what undeveloped land we have in the area; and there seems to be no compelling reason to annex the property west of 101 and south of Day Road so that Developers can build a residential subdivision on unincorporated farmland just north of Gilroy city limits.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Joanne Conca
2135 Louis Holstrom Dr Morgan Hill, CA 95037-9662
joanne@beyondhomes.com

From: jeanstruthers@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jean Struthers](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 5:14:51 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Sincerely,
Jean Struthers
13690 Robleda Rd Los Altos Hills, CA 94022-3425
jeanstruthers@att.net

From: lreedstation1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lisa Silvia](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 5:07:28 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Additionally, we are already short on public safety resources. For a town the size and scale of Gilroy, we should have at least four stations staffed 24 hours/seven days/week. Instead, we were promised we would have a fourth station before they approved building the hundreds of homes and apartments on Santa Theresa/Thomas Roads and First Street, yet as a citizen, I am very dismayed to say that this hasn't happened. We also do not have enough Police Officers considering our city's scale and population, and crime rates are on the rise. These are already areas of great concern. We do not need to add to this problem by building homes in an area that is somewhat remote, which would mean that our public safety resources would be pulled out of the way for any calls/issues in that area, and therefore not available to the rest of us in a timely manner, should a more urgent need arise. **OUR PUBLIC SAFETY IS ALREADY SPREAD TOO THIN!** The City of Gilroy owes its preexisting, tax paying residents more than this! We are already over-crowded for our infrastructure. Most main roads I frequent have un-repaired pot holes and two lanes that narrow down to one and are overcrowded, specifically at Christopher High School, which is the general area this would affect.

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment! It will make an already bad situation even worse!

Sincerely,

Lisa Silvia

Sincerely,
Lisa Silvia
717 Gage Ct Gilroy, CA 95020-3454
lreedstation1@yahoo.com

From: rszilasio@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Robert Szilasio](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Let's not destroy the beauty that is left in the Gilroy area's. It is already crowded with lot's of traffic. We moved here because of the fact that it was a slower pace. Getting away from the congestion of the north bay. Please don't let greed take over, and ruin our city.

Best,
Robert & Carole Szilasio

Sincerely,
Robert Szilasio
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rszilasio@aol.com

From: dorie@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Dorie Sugay](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Dorie Sugay
8650 San Ysidro Ave Ste 120 Gilroy, CA 95020-5268
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From: carolhernandez1966@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Carolyn Hernandez](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 4:34:33 PM

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Sincerely,
Carolyn Hernandez
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carolhernandez1966@gmail.com

From: stoveguy@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [John Griffiths](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 3:42:26 PM

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Sincerely,
John Griffiths
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stoveguy@comcast.net

From: sarah.peirce@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Sarah Peirce](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 3:37:15 PM

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Sincerely,
Sarah Peirce
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sarah.peirce@gmail.com

From: susan@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Susan Lamb](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 2:19:25 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Sincerely,
Susan Lamb
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susan@horseshoecreekfarm.com

From: dianalmac@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Diana McDonald](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 1:49:23 PM

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Sincerely,
Diana McDonald
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From: dianalmac@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Diana McDonald](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 1:47:15 PM

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Sincerely,
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dianalmac@gmail.com

From: curlishirli@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Shirley Marfia](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 1:35:06 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

RE: Service Area amendment proposal.

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More development without impact reports regarding traffic, services, water, schools, parks, etc., is exasperating the problems we are already having in South County. This does not just impact Gilroy or surrounding its surrounding open spaces/farmland but also impacts neighboring communities by taking resources available to them and diluting them. South County needs to denying these amendments to expand Urban areas into open areas until proper studies have been done to see how these changes will impact not only Gilroy but the surrounding areas.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!
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Sincerely,
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From: diane_solomon@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Diane Solomon](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 1:34:35 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

We need your help, knowledge and experience.

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal.

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Thank you for your service.

Sincerely,
Diane Solomon
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diane_solomon@sbcglobal.net

From: curlishirli@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Shirley Marfia](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 1:31:57 PM

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Sincerely,
Shirley Marfia
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From: realtalkramirez@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Molly Ramirez](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 1:22:34 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Molly Ramirez
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realtalkramirez@yahoo.com

From: jimdar@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [James Marshall](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 1:16:48 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
James Marshall
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jimdar@pacbell.net

From: ccjordan99@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Chris Anamerican](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 1:03:40 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Chris Anamerican
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From: peteandcarla@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Carla Holmes](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 12:28:49 PM

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Sincerely,
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From: carolstaff@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Carol Stafford](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 12:19:11 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Carol Stafford
9510 Saddler Dr Gilroy, CA 95020-8143
carolstaff@yahoo.com

From: njyoung1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Norma Young](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 12:02:34 PM

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Sincerely,
Norma Young
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njyoung1@gmail.com

From: Allee.keta@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Brian Allee](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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Allee.keta@gmail.com

From: conrad@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Thomas Conrad](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Thomas Conrad
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From: jengquist@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Alma Engquist](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Alma Engquist
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jengquist@verizon.net

From: jengquist@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jim Engquist](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Jim Engquist
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jengquist@verizon.net

From: socorro@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Socorro Montaña](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
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Sincerely,
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From: ladawnsnyder@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Toni LaDawn Snyder](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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ladawnsnyder@yahoo.com

From: brianna.quick@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Brianna Quick](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
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Sincerely,
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brianna.quick@hotmail.com

From: cindyk7@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mike Kolander](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
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cindyk7@icloud.com

From: grey_quinn@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Brad Lewis](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 11:02:02 AM

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Hello,

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Sincerely,
Brad Lewis

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Brad Lewis
1070 Fitzgerald Ave Gilroy, CA 95020-9312
grey_quinn@yahoo.com

From: penny.noel@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Penny Noel](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Penny Noel
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penny.noel@gmail.com

From: moynahans@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Susan Moynahan](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Susan Moynahan
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moynahans@aol.com

From: alh120766@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Al Hernandez](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Al Hernandez
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alh120766@yahoo.com

From: JKEVINRYAN@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [JOHN RYAN](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
JOHN RYAN
6744 Heathfield Dr San Jose, CA 95120-2027
JKEVINRYAN@COMCAST.NET

From: jackn@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [John Nogosek](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
John Nogosek
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jackn@directmtgfund.com

From: Rhenecruz@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Rhene Cruz](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Rhene Cruz
1280 Rucker Ave Gilroy, CA 95020-8905
Rhenecruz@gmail.com

From: c.diskowski@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Chrysteen Diskowski](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 9:44:44 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

It is critical for our physical and mental health, as well as food supply, to maintain open spaces throughout our county where plant life, crops, and wildlife can thrive and benefit our residents. Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

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Sincerely,
Chrysteen Diskowski
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c.diskowski@yahoo.com

From: knmeade@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kimberly Meade](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Kimberly Meade
431 El Camino Real Apt 2212 Santa Clara, CA 95050-7405
knmeade@gmail.com

From: tbaer811@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Thomas Baer](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
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Sincerely,
Thomas Baer
1920 Portmarnock Way Gilroy, CA 95020-3070
tbaer811@hotmail.com

From: [Raja Aluri](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Approve Gilroy USA Proposal
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 8:18:37 AM

Dear Commissioners of Santa Clara LAFCO,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed incorporation of the vacant land into the city of Gilroy. This move would not only provide much-needed housing but also preserve agricultural land. The land in question cannot be used for agriculture due to its location, surrounded by housing on three sides, and is currently unused.

The development aligns with the principles of smart growth by promoting infill development, which is located near existing urban areas and services. This approach reduces the need for new infrastructure and promotes sustainable growth.

Failing to approve this proposal would mean missing a golden opportunity to create high-density housing in a planned area in an efficient and sustainable manner while preserving farmland.

As the owner of APN 790-09-011, I am keen to build on the land. **However, without annexation, I would have to resort to using a septic tank for sewage and a well for potable water, which is not ideal for anyone.** The City has made it clear that I cannot connect to their services unless this application is approved by LAFCO.

Supporting this initiative would provide affordable housing to residents struggling to find housing in the current market. It would stabilize the community, promote growth, and improve overall prosperity.

It is important to note that annexing this land would mean approving the right project ahead of time, which would have a positive impact in the long run. **The benefits of this project far outweigh the arguments made against annexation.** Therefore, we should prioritize sustainable growth that protects and preserves the environment for future generations.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Raja Aluri

565 Tatum Ave
Gilroy, CA 95020

From: cynthia.beck@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Cynthia Beck](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Cynthia Beck
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cynthia.beck@ymail.com

From: bee_boop_98@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Betty Almeida](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Betty Almeida
960 Summerhill Cir Gilroy, CA 95020-3209
bee_boop_98@yahoo.com

From: colleenah01@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Colleen Ramirez](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
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Sincerely,
Colleen Ramirez
7267 Pitlochry Dr Gilroy, CA 95020-3068
colleenah01@yahoo.com

From: PJ_Darling@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Patricia Darling](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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I truly appreciate your vote to keep this space open for all to enjoy its natural beauty.

Sincerely,
Patricia Darling
1645 Cochrane Rd Morgan Hill, CA 95037-9311
PJ_Darling@yahoo.com

From: lucinda.lawson8@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lucinda Lawson](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Lucinda Lawson
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lucinda.lawson8@gmail.com

From: bbaer415@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Barbara Baer](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Barbara Baer
1920 Portmarnock Way Gilroy, CA 95020-3070
bbaer415@hotmail.com

From: voahara1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Vikki OHara](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Vikki OHara
940 Buena Vista Ave Gilroy, CA 95020-9070
voahara1@yahoo.com

From: patti14100@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Patti Jensen](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Patti Jensen
9230 Rancho Hills Dr Gilroy, CA 95020-7714
patti14100@aol.com

From: teacherkathych@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kathleen Chavez](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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I am a Gilroy native as was my father. My great grandfather moved here as a railroad surgeon and found there was no local hospital so he founded one. His son, my grandfather also a physician, also started a hospital. When those facilities were outgrown, they helped found Wheeler Hospital. My own foundation in Gilroy is steeped in agriculture. Growing up I was surrounded by some of the most prolific orchards and farms in this entire Santa Clara County. I was instrumental in saving Miller Red Barn which is to become a monument to our agricultural history. These are my roots.

Over the years, these much needed food basket suppliers have disappeared replaced by asphalt and concrete. This is not NIMBY appeal but a cry in fear that our precious rare remaining farmlands are peril of extinction. Not only do I plead to preserve this history but beg to save this land so environmentally crucial.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Kathleen Chavez
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teacherkathych@hotmail.com

From: belindasalinas1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Belinda Salinas](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Belinda Salinas
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belindasalinas1@gmail.com

From: ipowsluv@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Peggy Gagliardi Skinner](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Peggy Gagliardi Skinner
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ipowsluv@gmail.com

From: amie.roberts@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Amie Roberts](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Amie Roberts
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amie.roberts@me.com

From: dianamorgan4@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Diana Morgan-Hickey](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 5:52:57 AM

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Sincerely,
Diana Morgan-Hickey
520 Wagman Dr San Jose, CA 95129-1856
dianamorgan4@icloud.com

From: kossfamily@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [teresa koss](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
teresa koss
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kossfamily@gmail.com

From: excomm2@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mimi Spreadbury](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 4:37:44 AM

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Sincerely,
Mimi Spreadbury
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excomm2@gmail.com

From: lizanne.polland@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Elizabeth Polland](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 3:24:06 AM

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Sincerely,
Elizabeth Polland
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From: mscharrenberg@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mary Scharrenberg](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 1:44:17 AM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

We just suffered through a severe water shortage, with no reason to assume that it will not happen again. Ground water is still impacted and a big development in a rural area would exacerbate that situation. There is already a need for more fire services in this area.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: bellwart@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Yann Turcotte](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 11:24:13 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: SNOWCRASH98@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Paul George](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 11:23:06 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: grnfthlls@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Thomas Carlino](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 11:09:16 PM

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Sincerely,
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From: catherinecummins17@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Catherine Cummins](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:50:57 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Catherine Cummins
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From: Pjoflg@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Patricia Jackson](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:46:45 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: mcdaniel.crm@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Cindy McDaniel](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:32:05 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: soupuno@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Allan Campbell](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:20:38 PM

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Sincerely,
Allan Campbell
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soupuno@aol.com

From: savi@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Savitri Hardesty](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Savitri Hardesty
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From: ginaaj21@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Gina Johnson](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 10:01:43 PM

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Sincerely,
Gina Johnson
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ginaaj21@gmail.com

From: 9elmoreno@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Elizabeth Moreno](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 9:46:20 PM

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There are other concerns in addition to degradation of open space and farmland, the additional strain on public safety and health-related services as well as additional costs to taxpayers.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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From: cindyk7@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Cynthia Kolander](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 9:44:47 PM

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Sincerely,
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From: tierno23@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kermit Cuff](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 9:25:39 PM

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Sincerely,
Kermit Cuff
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From: bruce_alice@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Alice Elliott](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 9:22:57 PM

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Sincerely,
Alice Elliott
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From: alists@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [J Stuart](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 9:17:00 PM

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Sincerely,
J Stuart
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From: wjhenzel1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [William Henzel](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
William Henzel
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From: rbnskdls@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [ruben delarosa](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:57:11 PM

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Sincerely,
ruben delarosa
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From: lladydi593@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Diane Green-Riffel](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:51:59 PM

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Sincerely,
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From: james.eggers@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [James Eggers](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:38:57 PM

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Sincerely,
James Eggers
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From: ed_plan@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Debra Ullmann](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Debra and Geoff Ullmann

Sincerely,
Debra Ullmann
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From: mariamhennessy@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Maria Hennessy](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Maria Hennessy
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mariamhennessy@hotmail.com

From: stungphoto@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Odir Ochoa](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:19:01 PM

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Sincerely,
Odir Ochoa
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stungphoto@gmail.com

From: jeremychay@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jeremy Hay](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 8:14:20 PM

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Sincerely,
Jeremy Hay
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jeremychay@msn.com

From: fairwaybird@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Robin Crews](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Robin Crews
3340 Roop Rd Gilroy, CA 95020-9096
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From: maluiso@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mark Luiso](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:59:43 PM

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Sincerely,
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maluiso@pacbell.net

From: mytinywhitedog@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Andrea Borowski](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:53:08 PM

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As a resident of Morgan Hill, I don't believe that the highways can support the additional population heading north to San Jose. I also do not want to lose more of our beautiful open space in the South County.

I respectfully ask that you deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Andrea Borowski

Sincerely,
Andrea Borowski
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mytinywhitedog@yahoo.com

From: ltindall@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Laura Tindall](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Sincerely,
Laura Tindall
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ltindall@sbcglobal.net

From: peggyhennessee@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Peggy Hennessee](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:40:16 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

We'll never get back the farmland we've lost, so please stop the sprawl!

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Sincerely,
Peggy Hennessee
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From: rutldgesteve@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Julie Beer](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:36:23 PM

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Sincerely,
Julie Beer
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From: jennifer_cunning@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jennifer Cunningham](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:34:46 PM

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Sincerely,
Jennifer Cunningham
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From: NutTreeArt@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Stacey Nussbaum](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:27:15 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Sincerely,
Stacey Nussbaum
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NutTreeArt@yahoo.com

From: billiejo.grosvenor@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Billie Jo Grosvenor](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

The quality of life is important to the desirability of the southbay. Please do not encourage urban sprawl that has deep impacts to roads, schools, shopping etc.

Sincerely,
Billie Jo Grosvenor
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From: gatos2garlic@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Debbie Downs](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 7:11:03 PM

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Sincerely, Debbie Downs

Sincerely,
Debbie Downs
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gatos2garlic@gmail.com

From: milnmany@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Manuel Arredondo](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:35:34 PM

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Sincerely,
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From: cchugg10@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Charles Huggins](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:34:07 PM

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Sincerely,
Charles Huggins
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From: kickham@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Dana Wolfe](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:33:42 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Dana Wolfe
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kickham@aol.com

From: aamartineau@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Alice Martineau](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
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From: pelose@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Marguerite Pelose](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 6:21:39 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal really is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

As a forest preschool teacher, I ask that you deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Marguerite Pelose
678 Chapman St San Jose, CA 95126-2105
pelose@att.net

From: carolyn@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Carolyn Helstrup](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 5:56:25 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Carolyn Helstrup
2815 Day Rd Gilroy, CA 95020-8827
carolyn@anzagroup.com

From: allanlc16@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Allan Campbell](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 5:52:54 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Allan Campbell
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allanlc16@gmail.com

From: njgaliher@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Norma Jean Bodey Galiher](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 5:46:32 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

This is all backwards and in multiple respects. Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

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Sincerely,
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njgaliher@earthlink.net

From: zlotoffs@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mary Zlotoff](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 5:36:24 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
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zlotoffs@gmail.com

From: kdryan440@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Catherine Ryan](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 5:36:06 PM

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Catherine Ryan
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kdryan440@gmail.com

From: tanvi.siddhaye@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Tanvi Siddhaye](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 5:00:55 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Tanvi Siddhaye
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tanvi.siddhaye@gmail.com

From: maamurano@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Martha Acosta](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 4:55:55 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Martha Acosta
3911 RUBY Way Gilroy, CA 95020
maamurano@yahoo.com

From: POOLETJ37@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Josephine poole](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 4:55:41 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

My opinion is based on my residency in Santa Clara County since 1970. I lived first in Los Gatos about 2 blocks from the park and I have fond memories of walking to the Vasona Park during my pregnancy months. Later I moved to the hills in Los Gatos to begin raising my child. Subsequently, I moved to Morgan Hill just off Dunne and Hill Road. My daughter attended elementary, Junior High school as well as High School while we lived in a small community until 1993 when we relocated to CA Maison community - still in the Morgan Hill Unified School District. CA Maison is the farthest south San Jose just one mile from Coyote Valley. We are next to the Coyote Creek

Trail and the ponds + lakes one is able to see from Freeway 101. We have experienced a QUALITY OF LIVING environments due to the OPEN SPACE areas in which we have been fortunate to purchase/reside.

I have been a licensed real estate agent since 1978. I did have a few client transactions in Gilroy - I became aware of the special community - family & close knit plus spiritual pride by the residents.

I wish to have you reconsider eliminating the vast farmland area to replace it with more TRACT dwellings. I truly understand the desire to create additional housing. However, I submit: NOT at the expense of permanently changing the OPEN SPACE environment that is so precious to current & future generations.

I firmly believe my daughter and I have been able to experience the SPECIALL QUALITY OF LIVING IN/NEAR undeveloped land.

Sincerely,
Josephine poole
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POOLETJ37@YAHOO.COM

From: jordan.briskin8@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jordan Briskin](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 4:45:53 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

It is of critical importance that you vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Jordan Briskin
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jordan.briskin8@gmail.com

From: Dalemcanally@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Dale McAnally](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Monday, June 5, 2023 4:43:07 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

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Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment! Enough is enough!!

Sincerely,
Dale McAnally
9060 New Ave Gilroy, CA 95020-9136
Dalemcanally@verizon.net

From: gmcifelli@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Gia Burris](#)
To: [LAFCO](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please deny Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 11:18:47 PM

Dear LAFCO Commissioners,

Please vote to deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment proposal. This proposal is a textbook example of unwise sprawl development. In an era of climate change, cities should be focusing new residential growth in urban infill areas, not sprawling beyond city limits onto open space and farmland. With the vast majority of Santa Clara Valley's historic farmland already lost, we need to preserve what remains.

Please deny the Gilroy Urban Service Area amendment!

Sincerely,
Gia Burris
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ITEM # 8

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LAFCO MEETING: June 7, 2023

TO: LAFCO

FROM: Neelima Palacherla, Executive Officer

SUBJECT: FINAL BUDGET FOR FY 2024

FINANCE COMMITTEE / STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Adopt the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.
2. Find that the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2024 is expected to be adequate to allow the Commission to fulfill its statutory responsibilities.
3. Authorize staff to transmit the Final Budget adopted by the Commission including the estimated agency costs to the cities, the special districts, the County, the Cities Association of Santa Clara County and the Santa Clara County Special Districts Association.
4. Direct the County Auditor-Controller to apportion LAFCO costs to the cities; to the special districts; and to the County; and to collect payment pursuant to Government Code §56381.

NO CHANGES TO THE DRAFT/PRELIMINARY BUDGET

On April 5, 2023, the Commission adopted its preliminary budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 as recommended by the Finance Committee. The preliminary budget adopted by the Commission is available in the report for Agenda Item # 7 of the April 5, 2023 LAFCO Meeting. No further changes are recommended to the preliminary budget adopted by the commission.

LAFCO ANNUAL BUDGET PROCESS REQUIREMENTS

The Cortese Knox Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (CKH Act) which became effective on January 1, 2001, requires LAFCO, as an independent agency, to annually adopt a draft budget by May 1 and a final budget by June 15 at noticed public hearings. Both the draft and the final budgets are required to be transmitted to the cities, the special districts and the County. Government Code §56381(a) establishes that at a minimum, the budget must be equal to that of the previous year unless the Commission finds that reduced staffing or program costs will nevertheless allow it to fulfill its statutory responsibilities. Any unspent funds at the end of the year may be rolled over into the next fiscal year budget. After adoption of the final budget by LAFCO, the County Auditor is required to apportion

the net operating expenses of the Commission to the agencies represented on LAFCO.

LAFCO and the County of Santa Clara entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) (effective since July 2001), under the terms of which, the County provides staffing, facilities, and services to LAFCO. The associated costs are reflected in the LAFCO budget. LAFCO is a stand-alone, separate fund within the County's accounting and budget system and the LAFCO budget information is formatted using the County's account descriptions/codes.

COST APPORTIONMENT TO CITIES, DISTRICTS AND THE COUNTY

The CKH Act requires LAFCO costs to be split in proportion to the percentage of an agency's representation (excluding the public member) on the Commission. Santa Clara LAFCO is composed of a public member, two County board members, two city council members, and since January 2013 – two special district members. Government Code §56381(b)(1)(A) provides that when independent special districts are seated on LAFCO, the county, cities and districts must each provide a one-third share of LAFCO's operational budget.

Since the City of San Jose has permanent membership on LAFCO, as required by Government Code §56381.6(b), the City of San Jose's share of LAFCO costs must be in the same proportion as its member bears to the total membership on the commission, excluding the public member. Therefore in Santa Clara County, the City of San Jose pays one sixth and the remaining cities pay one sixth of LAFCO's operational costs. Per the CKH Act, the remaining cities' share must be apportioned in proportion to each city's total revenue, as reported in the most recent edition of the Cities Annual Report published by the Controller, as a percentage of the combined city revenues within a county. Each city's share is therefore based on the 2020/2021 Report – which is the most recent edition available.

Government Code Section 56381 provides that the independent special districts' share shall be apportioned in proportion to each district's total revenues as a percentage of the combined total district revenues within a county. The Santa Clara County Special Districts Association (SDA), at its August 13, 2012 meeting, adopted an alternative formula for distributing the independent special districts' share to individual districts. The SDA's agreement requires each district's cost to be based on a fixed percentage of the total independent special districts' share.

The estimated apportionment of LAFCO's FY 2024 costs to the individual cities and districts is included as Attachment B. The final costs will be calculated and invoiced to the individual agencies by the County Controller's Office after LAFCO adopts the final budget.

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment A: Final LAFCO Budget for Fiscal Year 2024
- Attachment B: Costs to Agencies Based on the Final Budget

FINAL LAFCO BUDGET
FISCAL YEAR 2023- 2024

ITEM #	TITLE	APPROVED BUDGET FY 2023	ACTUALS Year to Date 2/21/2023	PROJECTIONS Year End FY 2023	FINAL BUDGET FY 2024
EXPENDITURES					
Object 1:	Salary and Benefits	\$810,419	\$403,351	\$719,768	\$882,121
Object 2:	Services and Supplies				
5255100	Intra-County Professional	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000
5255800	Legal Counsel	\$78,326	\$42,043	\$75,500	\$82,780
5255500	Consultant Services	\$150,000	\$22,552	\$100,000	\$150,000
5285700	Meal Claims	\$750	\$56	\$300	\$750
5220100	Insurance	\$9,237	\$7,042	\$9,237	\$8,335
5250100	Office Expenses	\$5,000	\$344	\$2,000	\$5,000
5270100	Rent & Lease	\$53,182	\$35,272	\$53,182	\$54,766
5255650	Data Processing Services	\$28,038	\$16,375	\$28,038	\$27,520
5225500	Commissioners' Fee	\$10,000	\$1,900	\$7,000	\$10,000
5260100	Publications and Legal Notices	\$1,000	\$308	\$1,000	\$1,000
5245100	Membership Dues	\$12,887	\$12,921	\$12,921	\$13,870
5250750	Printing and Reproduction	\$1,500	\$0	\$500	\$1,500
5285800	Business Travel	\$10,000	\$3,125	\$6,000	\$15,900
5285300	Private Automobile Mileage	\$1,000	\$7	\$200	\$1,000
5285200	Transportation&Travel (County Car Usage)	\$600	\$0	\$200	\$600
5281600	Overhead	\$30,041	\$15,021	\$30,041	\$20,358
5275200	Computer Hardware	\$3,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$4,000
5250800	Computer Software	\$5,000	\$853	\$2,000	\$4,000
5250250	Postage	\$1,000	\$10	\$300	\$500
5252100	Staff/Commissioner Training Programs	\$2,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$2,000
5701000	Reserves	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$1,222,980	\$561,180	\$1,060,187	\$1,296,000
REVENUES					
4103400	Application Fees	\$30,000	\$19,603	\$25,000	\$30,000
4301100	Interest: Deposits and Investments	\$6,000	\$4,657	\$6,000	\$6,000
TOTAL REVENUE		\$36,000	\$24,260	\$31,000	\$36,000
3400150	FUND BALANCE FROM PREVIOUS FY	\$201,006	\$410,027	\$410,027	\$366,814
NET LAFCO OPERATING EXPENSES		\$985,974	\$126,893	\$619,160	\$893,186
3400800	RESERVES Available	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000
COSTS TO AGENCIES					
5440200	County	\$328,658	\$328,658	\$328,658	\$297,729
4600100	Cities (San Jose 50% + Other Cities 50%)	\$328,658	\$328,658	\$328,658	\$297,729
4600100	Special Districts	\$328,658	\$328,658	\$328,658	\$297,729

LAFCO COST APPORTIONMENT: COUNTY, CITIES, SPECIAL DISTRICTS
Estimated Costs to Agencies Based on the Final FY 2024 LAFCO Budget

Net Operating Expenses for FY 2024				\$893,186
JURISDICTION	REVENUE PER 2020/2021 REPORT	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL REVENUE	ALLOCATION PERCENTAGES	ALLOCATED COSTS
County	N/A	N/A	33.3333333%	\$297,728.67
Cities Total Share			33.3333333%	\$297,728.67
San Jose	N/A	N/A	50.0000000%	\$148,864.34
Other cities share			50.0000000%	\$148,864.33
Campbell	\$67,824,629	1.9995536%		\$2,976.62
Cupertino	\$125,426,339	3.6977230%		\$5,504.59
Gilroy	\$131,638,480	3.8808646%		\$5,777.22
Los Altos	\$61,718,303	1.8195316%		\$2,708.63
Los Altos Hills	\$19,614,107	0.5782480%		\$860.81
Los Gatos	\$51,370,842	1.5144757%		\$2,254.51
Milpitas	\$186,509,610	5.4985331%		\$8,185.35
Monte Sereno	\$4,845,074	0.1428388%		\$212.64
Morgan Hill	\$113,620,439	3.3496705%		\$4,986.46
Mountain View	\$373,855,966	11.0217345%		\$16,407.43
Palo Alto	\$664,162,959	19.5803423%		\$29,148.15
Santa Clara	\$1,000,850,828	29.5063155%		\$43,924.39
Saratoga	\$35,690,808	1.0522090%		\$1,566.36
Sunnyvale	\$554,860,115	16.3579598%		\$24,351.17
Total Cities (excluding San Jose)	\$3,391,988,499	100.0000000%		\$148,864.33
Total Cities (including San Jose)				\$297,728.67
Special Districts Total Share		(Fixed %)	33.3333333%	\$297,728.66
Aldercroft Heights County Water District		0.06233%		\$185.57
Burbank Sanitary District		0.15593%		\$464.25
Cupertino Sanitary District		2.64110%		\$7,863.31
El Camino Healthcare District		4.90738%		\$14,610.68
Guadalupe Coyote Resource Conservation District		0.04860%		\$144.70
Lake Canyon Community Services District		0.02206%		\$65.68
Lion's Gate Community Services District		0.22053%		\$656.58
Loma Prieta Resource Conservation District		0.02020%		\$60.14
Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District		5.76378%		\$17,160.42
Purissima Hills Water District		1.35427%		\$4,032.05
Rancho Rinconada Recreation and Park District		0.15988%		\$476.01
San Martin County Water District		0.04431%		\$131.92
Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority		1.27051%		\$3,782.67
Santa Clara Valley Water District		81.44126%		\$242,473.98
Saratoga Cemetery District		0.32078%		\$955.05
Saratoga Fire Protection District		1.52956%		\$4,553.94
South Santa Clara Valley Memorial District		0.03752%		\$111.71
Total Special Districts		100.00000%		\$297,728.66
Total Allocated Costs				\$893,186.00



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ITEM # 9

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LAFCO MEETING: June 7, 2023

TO: LAFCO

**FROM: Neelima Palacherla, Executive Officer
Dunia Noel, Asst. Executive Officer**

SUBJECT: UPDATE ON COUNTYWIDE FIRE SERVICE REVIEW

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Accept report and provide direction, as necessary.

COUNTYWIDE FIRE SERVICE REVIEW

The report provides a summary of the service review related work that has been completed since the April 5, 2023 LAFCO meeting and the anticipated next steps.

COMPLETED: AGENCY VERIFICATION OF PROFILES

LAFCO’s Consultant, AP Triton, has completed their data collection and has worked with the agencies to have the draft profiles verified by them to ensure that the data has been captured and summarized correctly.

COMPLETED: MAY 2023 TAC DISCUSSION OF PRELIMINARY FINDINGS

The Countywide Fire Service Review Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) includes LAFCO Commissioners Kishimoto and Beall; Fire Chiefs Kerdkaew, Torres, and Wyatt; and City Managers Lindsay, Turner, and Shikada. TAC meetings are open to the public and LAFCO staff regularly notifies local agencies, other affected stakeholders, and interested parties about upcoming TAC meetings.

The TAC’s third meeting was held in-person on May 15, 2023 at the Santa Clara Valley Water District Headquarters with the option for members of the public to participate remotely. LAFCO’s consultant team presented additional preliminary findings, including recommendations on fire prevention efforts in the wildland urban interface (WUI) and draft recommendations for the 33 areas that are located outside a fire service provider in the county. This was the first time that these draft recommendations were presented to the affected agencies, other affected stakeholders, and interested parties. The materials for this TAC meeting are posted on the LAFCO website at <https://bit.ly/3WToRYw>.

The TAC discussed the findings and received public comments. The Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (MROSD) provided a comment letter expressing concerns regarding recommendations pertaining to the District. LAFCO staff met with MROSD staff to review the District's concerns and forwarded the District's comment letters to LAFCO's consultant for their consideration prior to preparing the Draft Report.

IN PROGRESS: ADMINISTRATIVE DRAFT REPORT

The consultant has prepared a mostly complete Administrative Draft Service Review Report and LAFCO staff has reviewed and provided feedback on the Administrative Draft. LAFCO staff and the consultant are currently working on finalizing the Report.

UPCOMING: RELEASE OF DRAFT REPORT FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

Once finalized, the Draft Report for the Countywide Fire Service Review will be made available on the LAFCO website in mid-June for public review and comment. A Notice of Availability of the Draft Report will be sent to commissioners, all affected agencies, and other interested parties, and will include instructions for submitting timely written comments.

UPCOMING: TAC MEETING & COMMUNITY MEETINGS ON THE DRAFT REPORT

Following the release of the Draft Service Review Report, a fourth TAC meeting will be held where LAFCO's consultant will present the Draft Report and its key findings and recommendations and receive any feedback from TAC members, affected agencies, interested parties, and members of the public.

Furthermore, LAFCO will hold two community meetings (where participants may attend in-person or remotely via teleconference), one in South County and another in North County, where LAFCO's consultant will present the Draft Report and its key findings and recommendations and receive any feedback from affected agencies, interested parties, and members of the community.

The dates and locations for these three meetings are TBD and will be announced with the publication of the Notice of Availability of the Draft Report.

UPCOMING: LAFCO PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE DRAFT REPORT

At its August 2nd meeting, LAFCO will hold a Workshop and Public Hearing where the consultant will present the Draft Report and its key findings and recommendations to the Commission, affected agencies, interested parties, and members of the public. The Commission will discuss the Draft Report and accept public comments on the Draft Report. However, no final action will be taken by LAFCO on the Draft Report at this meeting, other than to provide further direction to staff and/or consultant, as necessary.

LAFCO's consultant will consider comments received on the Draft Report and prepare a Revised Draft Report, as necessary, for further public review and comment.

LAFCO will hold a second public hearing on October 4, 2023, to consider and adopt the Final Report.

TIMELINE TO PROJECT COMPLETION

The following are the remaining key steps and timeline for completing the Countywide Fire Service Review:

- LAFCO releases Draft Report for public review and comment: Mid-June
- TAC Meeting #4 to provide a presentation on the Draft Report and accept comment: Late June (Date/Time/Location TBD)
- Two Community workshops to provide presentations on Draft Report and accept comment: Late June – Early July (Dates/ Times/Locations TBD)
- LAFCO public hearing to provide a presentation on Draft Report and accept public comment: August 2, 2023
- LAFCO releases Revised Draft Report for public review and comment: Late August
- LAFCO public hearing to adopt Final Report: October 4, 2023
- Publication of Adopted Final Report: Mid-October



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ITEM # 10

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Executive Officer
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LAFCO MEETING: June 7, 2023
TO: LAFCO
**FROM: Neelima Palacherla, Executive Officer
Dunia Noel, Asst. Executive Officer**
SUBJECT: CALAFCO RELATED ACTIVITIES

10.1 REPORT ON THE 2023 CALAFCO STAFF WORKSHOP (APRIL 26 – APRIL 28)

For Information Only.

LAFCO staff attended the 2023 Annual CALAFCO Staff Workshop in Murphys (April 26 - April 28), hosted by Calaveras LAFCO. The workshop was attended by approximately 112 participants representing 51 of 58 LAFCOs and provided various practical and hands-on courses, as well as roundtable discussions and professional development sessions. Sessions included:

- Service Reviews For Dummies: Best Practices for Agency Engagement, District Transparency, and Financial Ability to Provide Services
- LAFCo 101 – What is LAFCo?
- The Independent LAFCo
- Water System Consolidations to Effective and Efficient Public Service
- Clerks 101
- Together We Can Do Much: Building Your LAFCo Team
- Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs), What Are They, And How Do We Map Them?
- Strategizing Social Media Use-Session 1
- To Grant or Not Grant: Using the SALC Program to Fund Critical Plans
- Strategizing Social Media Use-Session 2
- How to Run a LAFCo Meeting
- Fire Consolidation Studies: What Could Go Wrong or Right?
- Desperately Seeking CEQA: LAFCo's Role as the Lead Agency
- Matching Message, Media & Audience

CALAFCO has posted workshop handouts on its website at www.calafco.org.

10.2 2023 CALAFCO ANNUAL CONFERENCE (OCTOBER 18 – OCTOBER 20)

Recommendation

Authorize commissioners and staff to attend the Annual Conference and direct that associated travel expenses be funded by the LAFCO Budget for Fiscal Year 2024.

Discussion

The upcoming CALAFCO Annual Conference will be held in Monterey from Wednesday, October 18th to Friday, October 20th. The conference provides an annual opportunity for commissioners and staff to gain additional knowledge about changes in LAFCO legislation, LAFCO policies and practices, and the latest issues facing LAFCOs, counties, cities, and special districts across the state. The Conference brings together approximately 250 LAFCO Commissioners and staff from around the state to discuss the latest issues and share knowledge and best practices. Please see **Attachment A** for Conference Save the Date Flyer. Further details will be made available late summer.

10.3 NOMINATIONS TO THE CALAFCO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Recommendation

Nominate interested Commissioners and provide further direction to staff, as necessary.

Discussion

Nominations for the 2023/2024 CALAFCO Board of Directors are now open. Please see **Attachment B** for details. LAFCO of Santa Clara County is part of the Coastal Region. Within the Coastal Region, nominations are being accepted for “City Member” and “Public Member.” The deadline for LAFCO to submit nominations is Monday, September 18th.

Serving on the CALAFCO Board is a unique opportunity to work with other LAFCO commissioners throughout the state on legislative, fiscal and operational issues that affect LAFCOs, counties, cities, and special districts. The Board meets four to five times each year, with half of the meetings currently held virtually and rest being held at alternate sites around the state. Any LAFCO commissioner or alternate commissioner is eligible to run for a CALAFCO Board seat.

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment A: Save the Date Flyer for 2023 CALAFCO Annual Conference
Attachment B: Memo from CALAFCO re: Nominations for 2023/2024 CALAFCO Board of Directors dated May 5, 2023

SAVE THE DATE!

Join us for the 2023 CALAFCO Annual Conference

On **October 18-20, 2023**, network with other members and participate in sessions exploring policy issues related to growth, sustainability, and preservation.

Our diverse speakers will explore current issues and solutions on topics such as climate change effects and response, housing, water availability, public education about LAFCo and much more. The Annual Conference is an unmatched opportunity to leverage your role in bringing community stakeholders together!

No other event like this brings together such a diverse group of elected officials.

Past topics have included:



Access to water and affordable housing – the ongoing issues and LAFCos' involvement



Preparing for the unexpected and how LAFCo can support escalating disaster preparedness



LAFCo as a partner in creative solutions to governance and service issues



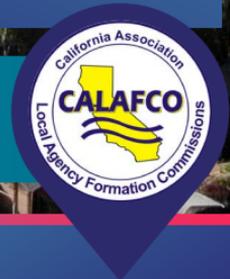
Understanding and dealing with looming pension liabilities



Groundwater management

And more!

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May 5, 2023

To: Local Agency Formation Commission
Members and Alternate Members

From: Wendy Root Askew, Committee Chair
CALAFCO Board Election Committee
CALAFCO Board of Directors



RE: Nomination Period Now Open for 2023/2024 CALAFCO Board of Directors

Nominations are now open for the fall elections of the CALAFCO Board of Directors for the following seats:

CENTRAL REGION	COASTAL REGION	NORTHERN REGION	SOUTHERN REGION
City Member	City Member	County Member	County Member
Public Member	Public Member	District Member	District Member

Please inform your Commission that the CALAFCO Election Committee will be accepting nominations for the above-cited seats until:

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2023 at 5:00 PM

Serving on the CALAFCO Board is a unique opportunity to work with other commissioners throughout the state on legislative, fiscal, and operational issues that affect us all. The Board meets four to five times each year, with half of the meetings currently held virtually and the rest being held at alternate sites around the state.

Board seats span a two-year term, with no term limits, and any LAFCo commissioner or alternate commissioner is eligible to run for a Board seat. Elections are conducted during Regional Caucuses at the CALAFCO Annual Conference prior to the Annual Membership Meeting on Thursday, October 19, 2023 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Monterey, California.

Should your Commission nominate a candidate, please return a completed Nomination Form and Candidate's Résumé Form by the deadline.



Please note that completed nomination forms and all materials must be RECEIVED by the CALAFCO Executive Director no later than **Monday, September 18, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.**

Returning the completed nomination and resume forms prior to the deadline ensures your nominee is placed on the ballot. Names will be listed in the order nominations were received.

Electronic filing of nomination forms is **highly encouraged** to facilitate the recruitment process (please email to info@calafco.org). However, hard copy forms and materials may also be mailed to:

CALAFCO Election Committee c/o Executive Director
California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions
1129 Firehouse Alley
Sacramento, CA 9581

Nominations received by the September 18th deadline will be included in the Election Committee's Report and will be on the ballot. The Report will be distributed to LAFCo members no later than October 5, 2023, with ballots made available to Voting Delegates at the Annual Conference.

Nominations received after the deadline will be returned; however, nominations may be made from the floor during the Regional Caucuses or during at-large elections, if required, at the Annual Membership Meeting.

For those member LAFCos who cannot send a representative to the Annual Meeting, an electronic ballot will be made available *if requested in advance*. **Ballot requests must also be received no later than 5:00 pm on Monday, September 18, 2023, with completed absentee ballots returned by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 12, 2023.**

NOMINATION/ELECTION PROCESS DEADLINES AND TIMELINES

- **May 5** – Nomination Announcement and packet sent to LAFCo membership and posted on the CALAFCO website.
- **September 18** – Completed Nomination packet due
- **September 18** – Request for an absentee/electronic ballot due
- **September 18** – Voting delegate name due to CALAFCO
- **October 5** – Distribution of the Election Committee Report (includes all completed/submitted nomination papers)
- **October 5** – Distribution of requested absentee/electronic ballots.
- **October 12** – Absentee ballots due to CALAFCO
- **October 19** - Elections

If you have any questions about the election process, please contact CALAFCO Executive Director René LaRoche at rlaroche@calafco.org or by calling 916-442-6536.

Members of the 2023/2024 CALAFCO Election Committee are:

Wendy Root Askew, Chair
district4@co.monterey.ca.us

Monterey LAFCo (Coastal Region)
831-883-7570

Rodrigo Espinosa
Rodrigo.Espinosa@countyofmerced.com

Merced LAFCo (Central Region)
209-398-4340

Derek McGregor
dmcgregor@dmceng.com

Orange Co. LAFCo (Southern Region)
530-538-6834

Josh Susman
jsusman@calafco.org

Nevada LAFCo (Northern Region)
530-559-1725

Additionally, you will also find attached for your reference a copy of the CALAFCO Board of Directors Nomination and Election Procedures, as well as the current listing of Board Members and corresponding terms of office.

I sincerely hope that you will consider joining us!

Enclosures

Board of Directors Nomination and Election Procedures and Forms

The procedures for nominations and election of the CALAFCO Board of Directors [Board] are designed to assure full, fair and open consideration of all candidates, provide confidential balloting for contested positions and avoid excessive demands on the time of those participating in the CALAFCO Annual Conference.

The Board nomination and election procedures shall be:

1. APPOINTMENT OF AN ELECTION COMMITTEE:

- a. Following the Annual Membership Meeting the Board shall appoint an Election Committee of four members of the Board. The Election Committee shall consist of one member from each region whose term is not ending.
- b. The Board Chair shall appoint one of the members of the Election Committee to serve as Committee Chair. The CALAFCO Executive Director shall either serve as staff to the Election Committee or appoint a CALAFCO regional officer to serve as staff in cooperation with the Executive Director.
- c. Each regional officer shall serve as staff liaison to the Election Committee specifically to assist in conducting the election as directed by the Executive Director and Committee.
- d. Goals of the Committee are to encourage and solicit candidates by region who represent member LAFCoS across the spectrum of geography, size, and urban-suburban-rural population, and to provide oversight of the elections process.

2. ANNOUNCEMENT TO ALL MEMBER LAFCoS:

- a. No later than four months prior to the Annual Membership Meeting, the Election Committee Chair shall send an announcement to each LAFCo for distribution to each commissioner and alternate. The announcement shall include the following:
 - i. A statement clearly indicating which offices are subject to the election.
 - ii. A regional map including LAFCoS listed by region.
 - iii. The specific date by which all nominations must be received by the Election Committee. The deadline shall be no later than 30 days prior to the opening of the Annual Conference. Nominations received after the closing date shall be returned to the proposing LAFCo marked "Received too late for Election Committee action."
 - iv. The names of the Election Committee members and the name of their LAFCo, regional representation, email address and phone number. The name, email address and phone number of the Executive Director shall also be included.
 - v. The email address and physical address to send the nominations forms.
 - vi. A form for a Commission to use to nominate a candidate and a candidate resume form of no more than one page each to be completed for each nominee.
 - vii. The specific date by which all voting delegate names are due.
 - viii. The specific date by which absentee ballots must be requested, the date CALAFCO will

**Key Timeframes for
Nominations Process**

<u>Days*</u>	
120	Nomination announcement
30	Nomination deadline
14	Committee report released

*Days prior to annual membership meeting

distribute the absentee ballots, and the date by which they must be received by the Executive Director.

- b. A copy of these procedures shall be posted on the web site.

3. THE ELECTION COMMITTEE:

- a. The Election Committee and the Executive Director have the responsibility to monitor nominations and help assure that there are adequate nominations from each region for each seat up for election. No later than two weeks prior to the Annual Conference, the Election Committee Chair shall distribute to the members the Committee Report organized by regions, including copies of all nominations and resumes, which are received prior to the end of the nomination period.
- b. At the close of the nomination period, the Election Committee shall prepare regional ballots. Each region will receive a ballot specific to that region. Each region shall conduct a caucus at the Annual Conference for the purpose of electing their designated representatives. Caucus elections must be held prior to the annual membership meeting at the Conference. The assigned regional officers along with a member of the Election Committee shall tally ballots at each caucus and provide the Election Committee the names of the elected Board members and any open seats. In the event of a tie, the regional officer and Election Committee member shall immediately conduct a run-off ballot of the tied candidates.
- c. Make available sufficient copies of the Committee Report for each Voting Delegate by the beginning of the Annual Conference. Only the designated Voting Delegate, or the designated Alternate Voting Delegate shall be allowed to pick up the ballot packet at the Annual Conference.
- d. Make available blank copies of the nomination forms and resume forms to accommodate nominations from the floor at either the caucuses or the annual meeting (if an at-large election is required).
- e. Advise the Executive Director to provide "CANDIDATE" ribbons to all candidates attending the Annual Conference.
- f. Advise the Executive Director to provide "VOTING DELEGATE" ribbons to all voting delegates attending the Annual Conference.
- g. Post the candidate statements/resumes organized by region on a bulletin board or other easily accessible location near the registration desk.
- h. Regional elections shall be conducted as described in Section 4 below. The representative from the Election Committee shall serve as the Presiding Officer for the purpose of the caucus election and shall be assisted by a regional officer from a region other than their own, as assigned by the Executive Director
- i. Following the regional elections, in the event that there are open seats for any offices subject to the election, the Election Committee Chair shall notify the Chair of the Board of Directors that an at-large election will be required at the annual membership meeting and to provide a list of the number and category of seats requiring an at-large election.

4. ELECTRONIC BALLOT FOR LAFCO IN GOOD STANDING NOT ATTENDING ANNUAL MEETING

Limited to the elections of the Board of Directors

- a. Any LAFCo in good standing shall have the option to request an electronic ballot if there will be no representative attending the annual meeting.
- b. LAFCos requesting an electronic ballot shall do so in writing to the Executive Director no later than 30 days prior to the annual meeting.

- c. The Executive Director shall distribute the electronic ballot no later than two weeks prior to the annual meeting.
- d. LAFCo must return the ballot electronically to the Executive Director no later than three working days prior to the annual meeting.
- e. LAFCos voting by electronic ballot may discard their electronic ballot if a representative is able to attend the annual meeting.
- f. LAFCos voting under this provision may only vote for the candidates nominated by the Election Committee as noted on the ballot and may not vote in any run-off elections.

5. AT THE TIME FOR ELECTIONS DURING THE REGIONAL CAUCUSES OR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

- a. The Presiding Officer shall:
 - i. Review the election procedure with the membership of their region.
 - ii. Present the Election Committee Report (previously distributed).
 - iii. Call for nominations from the floor by category for those seats subject to this election:
 - 1. For city member.
 - 2. For county member.
 - 3. For public member.
 - 4. For special district member.
- b. To make a nomination from the floor, a LAFCo, which is in good standing, shall identify itself and then name the category of vacancy and individual being nominated. The nominator may make a presentation not to exceed two minutes in support of the nomination.
- c. When there are no further nominations for a category, the Presiding Officer shall close the nominations for that category.
- d. The Presiding Officer shall conduct a "Candidates Forum". Each candidate shall be given time to make a brief statement for their candidacy. If a candidate is absent from the regional caucus, they may ask someone in their region to make a brief statement on their behalf.
- e. The Presiding Officer shall then conduct the election:
 - i. For categories where there are the same number of candidates as vacancies, the Presiding Officer shall:
 - 1. Name the nominees and offices for which they are nominated.
 - 2. Call for a voice vote on all nominees and thereafter declare those unopposed candidates duly elected.
 - ii. For categories where there are more candidates than vacancies, the Presiding Officer shall:
 - 1. Poll the LAFCos in good standing by written ballot.
 - 2. Each LAFCo in good standing may cast its vote for as many nominees as there are vacancies to be filled. The vote shall be recorded on a tally sheet.

3. Any ballots submitted electronically for candidates included in the Election Committee Report shall be added to the tally.
 4. With assistance from the regional officer, tally the votes cast and announce the results.
- iii. Election to the Board shall occur as follows:
1. A majority of the total number of LAFCos in a given region are required for a quorum. Returned absentee ballots shall count towards the total required for a quorum.
 2. The nominee receiving the majority of votes cast is elected.
 3. In the case of no majority, the two nominees receiving the two highest number of votes cast shall face each other in a run-off election. Electronic ballots are not included in the tally for any run-off election(s).
 4. In case of tie votes:
 - a. A second run-off election shall be held with the same two nominees.
 - b. If there remains a tie after the second run-off, the winner shall be determined by a draw of lots.

6. ADDITIONAL PROCEDURES

- a. For categories where there are more candidates than vacancies, names shall be listed on the ballot in the order the nomination was received and deemed complete.
- b. The Election Committee Chair shall announce and introduce all Board Members elected during the Regional Caucuses at the annual business meeting.
- c. In the event that Board seats remain unfilled after a Regional Caucus, an election will be held immediately at the annual business meeting to fill the position at-large. Nominations will be taken from the floor and the election process will follow the procedures described in Section 4 above. Any commissioner or alternate from a member LAFCo may be nominated for at-large seats.
- d. Seats elected at-large become subject to regional election at the expiration of the term. Only representatives from the region may be nominated for the seat.
- e. As required by the Bylaws, the members of the Board shall meet as soon as possible after election of new Board members for the purpose of electing officers, determining meeting places and times for the coming year, and conducting any other necessary business.

7. LOSS OF ELECTION IN HOME LAFCO

Board Members and candidates who lose elections in their home office shall notify the Executive Director within 15 days of the certification of the election.

8. FILLING BOARD VACANCIES

Vacancies on the Board of Directors may be filled by appointment by the Board for the balance of the unexpired term. Appointees must be from the same category as the vacancy, and should be from the same region.

The counties in each of the four regions consist of the following:

Northern Region

Butte
Colusa
Del Norte
Glenn
Humboldt
Lake
Lassen
Mendocino
Modoc
Nevada
Plumas
Shasta
Sierra
Siskiyou
Sutter
Tehama
Trinity
Yuba

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Southern Region

Orange
Los Angeles
Imperial
Riverside
San Bernardino
San Diego

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Coastal Region

Alameda
Contra Costa
Marin
Monterey
Napa
San Benito
San Francisco
San Luis Obispo
San Mateo
Santa Barbara
Santa Clara
Santa Cruz
Solano
Sonoma
Ventura

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Central Region

Alpine
Amador
Calaveras
El Dorado
Fresno
Inyo
Kings
Madera
Mariposa
Merced
Mono
Placer
Sacramento
San Joaquin
Stanislaus
Tulare
Tuolumne
Yolo

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CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS AND TERMS

NAME	REGION	TYPE & TERM
Bill Connelly, Chair	Butte <i>Northern</i>	County (2023)
Rodrigo Espinosa	Merced <i>Central</i>	County (2024)
Blake Inscore	Del Norte <i>North</i>	City (2024)
Gay Jones	Sacramento <i>Central</i>	District (2024)
Michael Kelley	Imperial <i>Southern</i>	County (2023)
Debra Lake	Humboldt <i>Northern</i>	District (2023)
Jo MacKenzie	San Diego <i>Southern</i>	District (2023)
Michael McGill	Contra Costa <i>Coastal</i>	District (2024)
Derek McGregor	Orange <i>Southern</i>	Public (2024)
Margie Mohler, Vice Chair	Napa <i>Coastal</i>	City (2023)
Anita Paque	Calaveras <i>Central</i>	Public (2023)
Daniel Parra	Fresno <i>Central</i>	City (2023)
Wendy Root Askew	Monterey <i>Coastal</i>	County (2024)
Shane Stark	Santa Barbara <i>Coastal</i>	Public (2023)
Josh Susman	Nevada <i>Northern</i>	Public (2024)
Acquanetta Warren, Treasurer	San Bernardino <i>Southern</i>	City (2024)

Date Received

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF
LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSIONS



Board of Directors

2023/2024 Nomination Form

(Must accompany the Candidate Résumé Form)

Nomination to the CALAFCO Board of Directors

In accordance with the Nominations and Election Procedures of CALAFCO,

_____ LAFCo of the _____ Region

Nominates _____

for the (check one) City County Special District Public

Position on the CALAFCO Board of Directors to be filled by election at the next Annual Membership Meeting of the Association.

LAFCo Chair

Date

NOTICE OF DEADLINE

Nomination Packets must be received by **September 18, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.** to be considered by the Election Committee.

Send completed nominations to
info@calafco.org

Or, mail to:

CALAFCO Election Committee
CALAFCO
1129 Firehouse Alley
Sacramento, CA 95814

Date Received

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF
LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION
COMMISSIONS



Board of Directors
2023/2024 Candidate Résumé Form
(Complete both pages)

Nominated By: _____ LAFCo Date: _____

Region (please check one): Northern Coastal Central Southern

Category (please check one): City County Special District Public

Candidate Name _____

Address _____

Phone Office _____ Mobile _____

e-mail _____

Personal and Professional Background:

LAFCo Experience:

CALAFCO or State-level Experience:

Availability:

Other Related Activities and Comments:

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Commissioners

Sylvia Arenas
Jim Beall
Rosemary Kamei
Yoriko Kishimoto
Otto Lee
Russ Melton
Terry Trumbull

Alternate Commissioners

Domingo Candelas
Helen Chapman
Cindy Chavez
Teresa O'Neill
Mark Turner

Executive Officer

Neelima Palacherla

ITEM # 11

LAFCO MEETING: June 7, 2023

TO: LAFCO

**FROM: Neelima Palacherla, Executive Officer
Dunia Noel, Asst. Executive Officer**

SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE REPORT

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

1. Accept report and provide direction to staff, as necessary.
2. Take a support position on AB 1753 and authorize staff to send a letter of support.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

AB 1753 (Assembly Local Government Committee) CALAFCO Omnibus Bill

Each year, CALAFCO sponsors the Assembly Local Government Committee’s Omnibus Bill for the purpose of making minor technical and non-substantive changes to LAFCO’s governing statutes, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of the 2000 (CKH Act).

AB 1753, this year’s CALAFCO Omnibus Bill, makes two minor, non-substantive changes to §56668 of the CKH Act:

- §56658(d)(1) – Adds language clarifying that any agreements for the exchange of property tax revenues required in accordance with State law must be received by LAFCO prior to the Executive Officer deeming an application complete.
- §56882(a) – Replaces “...mail...” with “...transmit...”
- §56882(b) – Adds language to allow the Executive Officer to transmit copies of adopted LAFCO resolutions using email or electronic means and requires the Executive Officer to obtain confirmation of receipt by the intended recipient through electronic read receipt or other means.

CALAFCO has requested LAFCOs to take a support position on AB 1753 as the bill is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Governance and Finance Committee on June 7, 2023. A copy of the bill (**Attachment A**) and a draft letter of support (**Attachment B**) are attached for your consideration.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: AB 1753: Assembly Local Government Committee Omnibus Bill

Attachment B: Draft Letter in Support of AB 1753

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1753

Introduced by Committee on Local Government

March 2, 2023

An act to amend Sections 56658 and 56882 of the Government Code, relating to local government.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1753, as introduced, Committee on Local Government. Local government: reorganization.

Existing law, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, provides the sole and exclusive authority and procedure for the initiation, conduct, and completion of changes of organization and reorganization for cities and districts. The act requires a petitioner or legislative body desiring to initiate proceedings for a change of organization or reorganization to submit an application to the executive officer of the principal county. The act specifies when an application is complete and acceptable for filing, and requires the executive officer to immediately issue a certificate of filing when an application is accepted for filing, as specified.

Upon the filing of an application or a resolution pursuant to the act, but prior to the issuance of a certificate of filing, existing law requires the executive officer to give notice of the filing to the assessor and auditor of each county within which the territory subject to the jurisdiction change is located, as specified. Existing law prohibits the executive officer from issuing a certificate pursuant to the provisions described above until resolutions are adopted by specified counties and cities in which they agree to accept the exchange of property tax revenues. Existing law authorizes a county and any local agency within

the county to develop and adopt a master property tax transfer agreement, as specified.

This bill would, if applicable, prohibit the executive officer from accepting for filing an application for change or organization or reorganization and issuing a certificate of filing pursuant to the provisions described above, and would provide that an application is not deemed accepted for filing pursuant to the provisions described above, if an agreement for the exchange of property tax revenues has not been adopted pursuant to the provisions described above.

The act requires a local agency formation commission, after a hearing on a proposed change of organization, to, within 35 days of the hearing, adopt a resolution making determinations approving or disapproving the proposal, with or without conditions, as specified. The act requires the executive officer to mail a copy of the resolution to specified persons or entities.

This bill would recast that provision to require the executive officer to transmit a copy of the resolution to specified persons or entities, and would require the executive officer to confirm receipt by the intended recipient through electronic read receipt or other means if the executive officer transmits a copy of the resolution using email or electronic means.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 56658 of the Government Code is
2 amended to read:
3 56658. (a) Any petitioner or legislative body desiring to initiate
4 proceedings shall submit an application to the executive officer of
5 the principal county.
6 (b) (1) Immediately after receiving an application and before
7 issuing a certificate of filing, the executive officer shall give mailed
8 notice that the application has been received to each affected local
9 agency, the county committee on school district organization, and
10 each school superintendent whose school district overlies the
11 affected territory. The notice shall generally describe the
12 application and the affected territory. The executive officer shall
13 not be required to give notice pursuant to this subdivision if a local

1 agency has already given notice pursuant to subdivision (c) of
2 Section 56654.

3 (2) It is the intent of the Legislature that an application for
4 incorporation or disincorporation shall be processed in a timely
5 manner. With regard to an application that includes an
6 incorporation or disincorporation, the executive officer shall
7 immediately notify all affected local agencies and any applicable
8 state agencies by mail and request the affected agencies to submit
9 the required data to the commission within a reasonable timeframe
10 established by the executive officer. Each affected agency shall
11 respond to the executive officer within 15 days acknowledging
12 receipt of the request. Each affected local agency and the officers
13 and departments thereof shall submit the required data to the
14 executive officer within the timelines established by the executive
15 officer. Each affected state agency and the officers and departments
16 thereof shall submit the required data to the executive officer within
17 the timelines agreed upon by the executive officer and the affected
18 state departments.

19 (3) If a special district is, or as a result of a proposal will be,
20 located in more than one county, the executive officer of the
21 principal county shall immediately give the executive officer of
22 each other affected county mailed notice that the application has
23 been received. The notice shall generally describe the proposal
24 and the affected territory.

25 (c) Except when a commission is the lead agency pursuant to
26 Section 21067 of the Public Resources Code, the executive officer
27 shall determine within 30 days of receiving an application whether
28 the application is complete and acceptable for filing or whether
29 the application is incomplete.

30 (d) *(1) If applicable, the executive officer shall not accept for*
31 *filing an application for a change of organization or reorganization*
32 *and issue a certificate of filing pursuant to subdivision (f) and an*
33 *application shall not be deemed accepted for filing pursuant to*
34 *subdivision (e) if an agreement for the exchange of property tax*
35 *revenues has not been adopted pursuant to paragraph (6) of*
36 *subdivision (b) or subdivision (d) of Section 99 of the Revenue and*
37 *Taxation Code.*

38 (2) The executive officer shall not accept an application for
39 filing and issue a certificate of filing for at least 20 days after giving
40 the mailed notice required by subdivision (b). The executive officer

1 shall not be required to comply with this subdivision in the case
2 of an application which meets the requirements of Section 56662
3 or in the case of an application for which a local agency has already
4 given notice pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 56654.

5 (e) If the appropriate fees have been paid, an application shall
6 be deemed accepted for filing if no determination has been made
7 by the executive officer within the 30-day period. An executive
8 officer shall accept for filing, and file, any application submitted
9 in the form prescribed by the commission and containing all of
10 the information and data required pursuant to Section 56652.

11 (f) When an application is accepted for filing, the executive
12 officer shall immediately issue a certificate of filing to the
13 applicant. A certificate of filing shall be in the form prescribed by
14 the executive officer and shall specify the date upon which the
15 proposal shall be heard by the commission. From the date of
16 issuance of a certificate of filing, or the date upon which an
17 application is deemed to have been accepted, whichever is earlier,
18 an application shall be deemed filed pursuant to this division.

19 (g) If an application is determined not to be complete, the
20 executive officer shall immediately transmit that determination to
21 the applicant specifying those parts of the application which are
22 incomplete and the manner in which they can be made complete.

23 (h) Following the issuance of the certificate of filing, the
24 executive officer shall proceed to set the proposal for hearing and
25 give published notice thereof as provided in this part. The date of
26 the hearing shall be not more than 90 days after issuance of the
27 certificate of filing or after the application is deemed to have been
28 accepted, whichever is earlier. Notwithstanding Section 56106,
29 the date for conducting the hearing, as determined pursuant to this
30 subdivision, is mandatory.

31 SEC. 2. Section 56882 of the Government Code is amended
32 to read:

33 56882. (a) The executive officer shall ~~mail~~ *transmit* a copy of
34 the resolution adopted by the commission making determinations
35 addressed to each of the following persons or entities:

36 (a)

37 (1) The proponents, if any, where the proceedings for change
38 of organization were initiated by petition.

39 (b)

- 1 (2) Each affected local agency whose boundaries would be
2 changed by the proposal.
3 (b) *If the executive officer transmits a copy of the resolution*
4 *using email or electronic means, the executive officer shall confirm*
5 *receipt by the intended recipient through electronic read receipt*
6 *or other means.*

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Attachment B

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June 7, 2023

Honorable Anna Caballero, Chair
Senate Governance and Finance Committee
1021 O Street, Suite 7620
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: **AB 1753 Support Letter**

Dear Senator Caballero:

The Local Agency Formation Commission of Santa Clara County (LAFCO) is pleased to **Support Assembly Bill 1753**, sponsored by the California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions (CALAFCO), which makes technical, non-substantive changes to the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (the Act).

This annual bill includes technical non-substantive changes to the Act which governs the work of LAFCOs. These changes are necessary as Commissions implement the Act and small inconsistencies are found or clarifications are needed to make the law as unambiguous as possible. By making these minor technical corrections, AB 1753 will increase the clarity of the Act for all stakeholders.

AB 1753 helps ensure the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act remains a vital and practical law that is consistently applied around the state and Santa Clara LAFCO respectfully requests your support.

Please do not hesitate to reach out with questions or concerns about our position.

Sincerely,

Russ Melton
Chairperson

Cc: Members and Consultants, Senate Governance and Finance Committee
The Honorable Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, California State Assembly
René LaRoche, Executive Director, CALAFCO



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LAFCO MEETING: June 7, 2023

TO: LAFCO

**FROM: Neelima Palacherla, Executive Officer
Dunia Noel, Asst. Executive Officer**

SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Accept reports and provide direction, as necessary.

12.1 UPDATE ON LAFCO CLERK RECRUITMENT

On April 3, 2023, County Employee Services (ESA) posted the LAFCO Clerk job announcement electronically at www.sccjobs.org, with applications due by April 18, 2023. A total of 69 applications were received. ESA staff reviewed the applications and determined that only 9 met the minimum qualifications for the position, which is below the number that would require qualified candidates to also take a written exam.

This is a smaller qualified applicant pool than LAFCO staff anticipated, given the administrative/secretarial nature of the LAFCO Clerk position. Upon further review, it appears that some otherwise qualified applicants who demonstrated qualifications and competencies in other critical areas did not have experience or training in extensive use of graphic software (as required in the job specifications), and therefore were deemed unqualified.

This is a major concern because such skills, though beneficial, are not essential for this role and are not typically prevalent in our field. LAFCO staff is working with ESA to revise the job specifications and make graphics software expertise a desirable attribute rather than a mandatory requirement.

In the meantime, LAFCO staff accepted ESA staff's recommendation to move forward and interview the 9 qualified candidates. We remain optimistic about discovering the right fit for the LAFCO Clerk position among the current batch of candidates. However, if no candidates are selected during the interview process, a new recruitment could begin once ESA approves the requested revision and updates the language in the job specifications.

LAFCO staff will continue to update the Commission, as the recruitment process moves forward.

12.2 INTER-JURISDICTIONAL GIS WORKING GROUP MEETING

Asst. EO Noel attended the April 19, 2023 Inter-Jurisdictional GIS Working Group Meetings which was hosted virtually. This group includes various County departments that use and maintain GIS data, particularly LAFCO-related data. At the meeting, the group received a brief update on County Technology Services and Solutions' (TSS') parcel fabric migration project, an effort to improve the parcel base map of the County and move existing data to the new GIS coordinate system; and discussed potential workplan items for the group, such as a conducting a comprehensive review of GIS data (i.e. parcel boundaries, city boundaries, special district boundaries, tax rate area boundaries, etc.) to identify and address any critical discrepancies, as necessary. Attendees also provided individual updates to the group on other relevant GIS matters.