

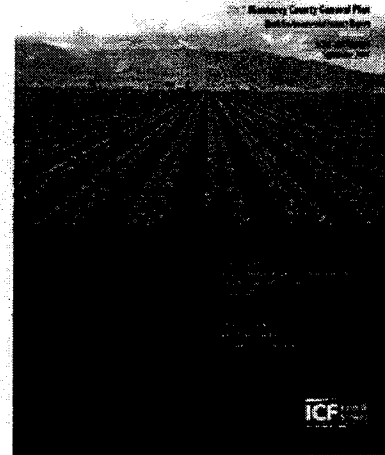
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October 21, 2008

ATTENTION: Ms. Linda Rotharmel  
for Mr. Mike Novo, Planning Director  
Monterey County Planning Dept.  
County of Monterey  
168 W. Alisal Street  
Salinas, CA 93901

Dear Ms. Rotharmel:

I am writing to request that the Draft Environmental Impact Report for GPU-5 be removed from circulation until the inaccuracies described in this letter have been corrected. I address this letter to you rather than to the Planning Director because I received an automatic reply to the e-mail I sent to Mr. Novo this morning. The reply stated that Mr. Novo will be out of his office until October 28 and therefore persons with concerns should communicate with you until that date.



First, a serious prejudicial error exists in both Figure #CA3 of the 2007 General Plan and Exhibit 3.16 of the DEIR. Both state: "The boundary for the Chualar Community Area will be established at a later date pursuant to LU-2.23f." However, GPU-5 policy in the 2007 General Plan does not contain the referenced subdivision (f) of Policy LU-2.23. My 9/2/06 comments on the 2006 Monterey County General Plan, incorporated herein by reference, explain in detail why that omission is seriously prejudicial. Until it is corrected, the many people concerned about the boundaries of the Chualar Community Area will be misled.

Second, Section 11 of the DEIR, reference #35, mis-cites the applicable web address of the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program Important Farmland Categories as <http://redirect.conservation.ca.gov/DLRP/fmmp/pubs/1984-Present.xls>. It took me several hours of searching today to discover that the correct citation is [http://redirect.conservation.ca.gov/DLRP/fmmp/pubs/1984-Present/mnt\\_1984-Present.xls](http://redirect.conservation.ca.gov/DLRP/fmmp/pubs/1984-Present/mnt_1984-Present.xls). Since agricultural policy AG-1.10 of the 2007 General Plan states that the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program Important Farmland Categories developed by the California Department of Conservation shall be used as a primary means to identify important agricultural lands in the County, the inaccurate citation to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program is a far more prejudicial error than a mere typo pertaining to a less important General Plan policy.

Since the County intends that farmland preservation be an important policy for the next 20 years, as suggested by the above-shown cover of the DEIR and as stated in AG-1.10, I request that the Draft Environmental Report for the 2007 General Plan be temporarily withdrawn from circulation until the above-described serious inaccuracies are corrected.

Yours truly,

*Jane Haines*

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