

No on "'Plan Bay Area 2050" proposal

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Dear committee members,

I oppose the proposal by ABAG to negate local zoning choices and force greatly increased density of housing and jobs on the already overstressed midpeninsula and south bay under the current "Plan Bay Area 2050" plan. Top-down solutions that force building quotas ignore legitimate local concerns such as maintenance of public safety, quality of life, traffic and parking loads, and other infrastructure needs.

ABAG's process to arrive at their jobs and housing concentrations in the South Bay was done by in-house technical committees using their own models with no effective public discussion as required by code, despite repeated requests for such open discussions. The likely result if implemented will be overpriced construction and housing that (if seen as desirable) is still unaffordable or (if constructed cheaply) will quickly become unsightly and unsafe.

Sincerely,
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