## **RHNA** units in Palo Alto

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Hello, and thank you for this comment period. I have lived in Palo Alto since 1980. In that time period, a once sleepy middle class town has morphed into an expensive urban environment with bad traffic problems. Like about half of people who live in Palo Alto, I can't afford a house in the Bay Area and am a long-term renter. There is no way that Palo Alto can fit 10,000 additional housing units without turning the city into a crowded urban jungle. This is totally unacceptable. If I had wanted to live in San Francisco or New York City, I would have moved there. I love that our neighborhood is quiet and safe, not overdeveloped. Just because previous Palo Alto City Council members voted to allow big office developments for techies does not give these people the right to live here. If I get a job in Malibu or Woodside, do those towns also have an obligation to build a housing unit for me? That's absurd. Since we do not vote for members of ABAG, I don't believe you have the right to destroy the character of our city. Thank you.

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