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Sent:

Friday, July 31, 2020 10:26 AM

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FW: New comment submitted on MTC website

On 7/27/20, 11:47 PM, "no-reply@mtc.ca.gov on behalf of Metropolitan Transportation Commission" <no-reply@mtc.ca.gov on behalf of no-reply@bayareametro.gov> wrote:

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Text of comment: Increasing housing options in metro areas near transportation, services and jobs makes sense. But, ABAG's "one size fits all" approach has made legislation that across the board reduces CEQA's impact on properly evaluating areas for non-mitigatable issues. The Bay Area is very diverse in population areas, and small towns in rural areas such as Sonoma, Napa, Mendocino, etc. should not be held to the same laws and restrictions as Palo Alto and Emeryville. Zero lot line units, small set-backs, increased height and multi-family buildings in small rural locations cause significant issues where roads, services and the natural environment of rural towns is deeply affected. Lack of open space in hills and along rivers means loss of habitat for wildlife that is a critical part of the ecosystem, which is already over-taxed from unchecked development.

PLEASE come up with appropriate exceptions for small, rural, and agricultural locations with no transit, and minimal services, medical help and an increasing risk of deadly wildfires. How are we supposed to get out of the these valleys when wildfires break loos if we are packed in? There are only 2 roads out. ABAG, one size does NOT fit all.

The comment was posted at the following url:

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