

## Comment Plan Bay Area 2050

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Plan Bay Area,

I would like to submit this comment regarding Plan Bay Area 2050.

The plan has not properly addressed environmental and practical concerns. By planning for additional excessive jobs, concentrated in the the northern part of Santa Clara County and southern part of San Mateo County, a number of problems ensue.

First, there is not adequate water to support this kind of growth in the state. Ignoring water shortages and droughts is irresponsible. This level of growth will cause irreparable harm to the environment.

Second, the plans to add an excessive amount of additional housing to support this job growth is not funded. Currently, private and public entities refuse to pay for the housing development directly and, more importantly, have not or will not pay for the additional infrastructure that would be needed to support such in increase in population.

Third, the calculations of housing needs are incorrect.

The job and housing growth plan is essentially an unfunded mandate. Since there has been a previously established pattern of going out to the public for additional sales tax, school tax, water district tax and other additional taxes, and since Plan Bay Area 2050 calls for excessive growth without naming funding sources, it carries with it expected tax increases without a public vote. I object to tax increases without a public vote.

Third, the possible encroachment of multi- family housing into current single family home areas has two negative affects. It would infringe upon the expectations and property rights of current single family homeowners. And, without a funded plan for transportation it would fly in the face of environmental recommendations for denser housing, thus raising pollution levels.

In conclusion, Plan Bay Area 2050 increases pollution and is essentially a tax increase. Therefore, I strongly object.

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