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Attn: Mr. Richard Bruckner

RE: Pending Hillside Management and Significant Ecological Area Ordinance Hearings

Los Angeles County has a number of Area Plans that are pending adoption or currently being reviewed. It makes little sense to move forward and adopt revised SEA and HMA ordinances while these Area Plans are not approved. The Significant Ecological Area (SEA) and Hillside Management Area (HMA) ordinances should be put on hold until all Area Plans that are pending are adopted. Once these Area Plans are adopted the same standards from these Area Plans can be inserted into the SEA and HMA ordinances so as to ensure consistency among governing documents. This will make the documents consistent with one another as well as help guide the residents living within these Area Plans.

The full environmental impacts of the Significant Ecological Area and Hillside Management Area Ordinances cannot be measured while there are a number of Los Angeles County Area Plans pending review and adoption. The county and its residents would be better served if the SEA and HMA ordinances were reviewed separately from the General Plan, with their own individual environmental and economic impact analyses and their own separate forum of open public debate.

We ask that the Planning Commission enact a continuance on any further discussion and delay the SEA and HMA hearings until such time as all Area Plans in process have been reviewed and adopted by both the Regional Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors. In this way, when the SEA and HMA Ordinances are considered they can be brought into conformance with the adopted Area Plans.

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Sincerely,

Vicki Medina

Cc: Supervisor Antonovich