

# Item #39 & 40

Board of Supervisors  
January 13, 2009

Submitted by Supervisor Jack Sweeney

Re: General Plan Policy 8.1.3.1

Having read the 128 pages of information submitted to amend policy 8.1.3.1, I still urge the Board to adopt the clarification to the policy I submitted which is today's item 40.

It seems that it has taken the staff and the Ag Commission over a year and 128 pages to clarify this policy. I believe they have lost sight of reality! 128 pages cannot clarify anything! The confusion as regards this policy stems from the insistence that the historic zoning, that has not been brought into compliance with the General Plan, should be part of the basis for examining the affects of development adjacent to ag uses per policy 8.1.3.1. Preposterous, the General Plan Land Use Designation governs!

This policy is not about whether we want to protect ag or allow development; it is about how we process pursuant to the General Plan. My proposal does not amend the General Plan and does not change any zoning or General Plan designation; it does, in two simple sentences, clarify the process of the General Plan. Setting policy and clarifying it is the sole jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors!

This clarification is as per policy 10.1.2.2 found in the Economic Development Element (page 350) which states "Improve, streamline, and monitor permit processing procedures."

On December 8, 2008 item 37 we directed that item 17 of that list become item 1; that item said " the Board should issue a statement of intent that describes their commitment to having projects reviewed in a timely manner and that it is highly important to them".

This proposal to clarify the process under 8.1.3.1 and 8.1.3.2 will follow our direction in 10.1.2.2 and our action on item 37 of December 8, 2008.

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