Regional Housing

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To: Regional Housing

Subject: Proposed new housing requirements for SCAG region

Please record my opposition to the proposed requirement for the SCAG area to build 1.3 million new housing units by 2029.

While I do believe there is a housing crisis in California, including southern California, the proposed new levels are way beyond anything our infrastructure could absorb. Our housing costs may be too high, but to bring them down via overcrowding, shortfalls in infrastructure, huge increases in congestion and traffic (since southern Californians are notoriously averse to using transit, even if housing is built near it), all make the 1.3 million requirement incredibly beyond anything that is feasible.

I support the existing SCAG requirement for 430,000 new units. I believe that is a responsible, achievable level of growth, aimed at taking pressure off housing costs while not overburdening our streets, schools, and other vital parts of our infrastructure.

Best regards,

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