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To: "Liu, Lori" <>

Subject: Baylands: A balanced plan of jobs and housing

Mayor Liu,

I write to urge you and your fellow council members to require a minimum of 4,400 homes in the Baylands plan which is coming to you for consideration and adoption. I am an urban designer and architect and well aware of the decade-plus of study and planning that have gone into Brisbane's investigations of the site. I am also well aware that the Baylands are an exceptionally rare opportunity to maximize the use of regional transportation infrastructure already in place: a dedicated Caltrain station, Sam Trans, MUNI streetcars and buses, and highway 101.

Such massive transportation infrastructure and options are essentially unique in the Bay Area (unfortunately) and their use must be maximized: in all directions, at all hours, and including weekends. That requires a balance of jobs and housing. Any other approach is an insult to the citizens of Brisbane, of San Mateo County, and of the entire Bay Area who pay for the abundance of transportation options that converge at the Baylands.

ABAG projections, smart growth practices, and common sense tell us that this large parcel of undeveloped land, served by unparalleled transportation infrastructure, cannot just be another office park.

Please do the right thing and require a minimum of 4,400 homes when adopting the Baylands plan.

Respectfully,
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