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RE: Brisbane Baylands Phase I Specific Plan (Case SP-1-06) – Notice of Preparation

Dear Mr. Swiecki:

Thank you for providing the City of Daly City an opportunity to comment on the proposed Brisbane Baylands Specific Plan environmental review early on in the process. We have reviewed the NOP and associated documentation and are confident the Programmatic EIR will address the areas of most concern to our jurisdiction: land use, traffic, the provision of water and other utilities, air quality, noise and housing.

While further analysis will be conducted through the EIR preparation there is one issue we would like to highlight. With the passage of SB375 and the Sustainable Communities Strategy, the goal is to balance housing and jobs in an area where there is a surplus of jobs. The Community-Preferred Alternative proposes no housing. When considering this alternative as well as the Developer-Preferred Alternative, an analysis of how the creation of tens of thousands of jobs will affect regional housing needs is crucial. Specifically, what neighboring jurisdictions such as Daly City could expect to be required to provide beyond what was previously projected.

As this project progresses through the environmental review process, the City looks forward to obtaining more information and being included in the review of the Draft Environmental Impact Report.

Regards,

Richard Berger, Director of Economic and Community Development
City of Daly City