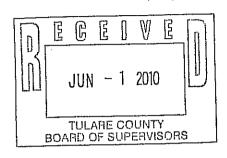




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May 18, 2010

Steve Worthley, Chair Board of Supervisors County of Tulare 2800 West Burrel Avenue Visalia, California 93291



Dear Mr. Worthley:

The City of Porterville has reviewed the Tulare County General Plan 2030 Update dated February 2010 ("Plan") and related documents, including the Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

The City of Porterville has long expressed its strong interest in establishing a system of planning in Tulare County that promotes city-centered growth. For many reasons, we are convinced that the Plan as proposed fails to do so. We therefore are opposed to the adoption of the Plan by the County of Tulare.

We further assert that the EIR does not adequately or accurately describe or mitigate for the environmental impacts of the proposed Plan. We therefore oppose the certification of the EIR by the County of Tulare.

The City of Porterville is a member of the Tulare County Council of Cities, and concurs in and incorporates herein the comments on the Plan and the EIR that are stated in a letter filed on behalf of the Tulare County Council of Cities dated May 26, 2010.

Sincerely,

Pete V. McCracken

Mayor