

Coordination of Social Policy and Natural Resources

The League of Women Voters of Santa Barbara supports efforts to manage growth within limits of South Coast natural resources.

Position History:

Established 1981.

Support of the following criteria for evaluating proposals for growth and change in the South Coast area:

- Staying within the South Coast's carrying capacity based on the environmental constraints of water supply and air quality. (In our view, this requires a conservative approach which allows for added growth when present and projected demands are within established resources capability).
- Preservation, to the maximum possible extent, of the special character of the South Coast area and its existing quality of life, including prime agricultural lands, which should be protected.
- Policies which seek a balance between employment opportunities and any required additional housing.

Issues:

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