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**ECOS Land Use Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday May 11, 2015, 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Mogavero Notestine Associates, 2012 K Street, Sacramento CA 95811**

Welcome, Introductions, Check-Ins, and Changes to Agenda

Attendees included: Ron Maertz, Alex Kelter, Genna Yarkin, Alex Reagan, Molly Basinger, Ken Wilcox, Andy Sawyer, Spenser Marshall, Lynn Wheat, John Deeter, Robert Meagher,

Update on North Natomas
Arwen Wacht, City of Sacramento

Arwen Wacht updated us on the status of North Natomas, With the moratorium being lifted, ECOS was curious to find out if it would be business as usual in North Natomas. There have been few application since the moratorium was recently lifted. Much of the area is already entitled. There are some requests to change Employment Center to Commercial. There are no plans as yet for the arena site. Arwen will get back to us with some of the questions she could not answer. It appears that little can be done at this point to get North Natomas more aligned with the smart growth community that had originally been envisioned.

Discussion Regarding DEIR for Mather Field -

Issues expressed: This is part of the Jackson Corridor and should be treated as such. Provision of a Transportation Services District. Phasing of all projects in the Jackson Corridor is crucial. All jurisdictions must start requiring drought tolerant landscaping.

Dr. Kelter will be compiling comments. Ron Maertz, Molly Basinger, Genna Yarkin and Spenser Marshall agreed to review the document and provide comments to Alex. Alex will contact all the ECOS committees with a deadline for submitting comments.

Project Updates -

Russell Ranch - hearing before Folsom City Council on 5/12.

Sacramento Commons - hearings not yet scheduled

Update on CEQA revisions -

Andy Sawyer gave a brief update. It appears the major push currently is for CEQA exemptions for drought related projects. No information on California Supreme Court hearing of Bellona Wetlands case.

Project Monitoring –

Dr. Meagher distributed updated project lists. Several minor updates were made at the meeting.

Announcements - June 8th Agenda Items-

Representatives of Northborough and Northborough II will be our guests to present their projects.