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**From:** leslie Austere  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 14, 2015 1:50 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** precious envro/sprawl/Los Angeles

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Dear Supervisor,

Please stand to protect the remaining farm and open spaces in Goleta and county wide. Urban sprawl is the slow death of our precious environment. I urge you to support Alternative E. As the jewel of our county all chaparral should be designated "Environmentally Sensitive Habitat". Please reject staff's recent change undermining chaparral protections.

I urge you to stand for our environment and close the loophole in the Sensitive Habitat Ordinance to prevent uncontrolled clearcutting of chaparral and oak woodlands. I further urge you to support a setback increase from 50 to 100 feet for all new creek area development. Urban runoff not only pollutes our creeks and but our sensitive coastal zones as well.

It is understood the county needs growth. This growth should not come at the expense of the environment we all cherish.

Please lead by supporting Alternative E.

Thank you,

Leslie Austere

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**From:** Dan Silver ·  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 14, 2015 1:52 PM  
**To:** sbcob; Wolf, Janet  
**Cc:** Russell, Glenn  
**Subject:** Update to Eastern Goleta Community Plan, Hearing Date October 20, 2015

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*VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL*

Board of Supervisors  
Santa Barbara County  
Santa Barbara, CA

**RE: Update to Eastern Goleta Community Plan, Hearing Date October 20, 2015**

Dear Chair and Members of the Board:

Endangered Habitats League (EHL) wishes to endorse farmland and habitat protections in this important update. For your reference, EHL is a Southern California regional conservation group dedicated to ecosystem protection and sustainable land use.

Specifically:

1. We endorse Alternative E to achieve farmland protection goals
2. Chaparral should be designated as “Environmentally Sensitive Habitat.” Due to its biological richness and susceptibility to fragmentation by development, we oppose late changes that would weaken its protections.
3. Loopholes in the Sensitive Habitat Ordinance should be closed so as to control clearing of chaparral and oak woodlands.
4. Development setbacks from creeks should increase to 100 feet in order to buffer riparian resources and wildlife corridors and to prevent pollution

Thank you for considering our views.

Yours truly,  
Dan Silver

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## Lenzi, Chelsea

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**From:** Audrey Ann Hamilton  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 15, 2015 4:23 AM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Wildlife

Please protect our wildlife !

- Support Alternative E which protects critical farmland in Goleta.
- Designate and protect all chaparral as "Environmentally Sensitive Habitat" for rare plant and wildlife species in Goleta, and reject staff's late change which would undermine chaparral protection.
- Close the loophole in the Sensitive Habitat Ordinance to prevent uncontrolled clearcutting of chaparral and oak woodlands.
- Increase the creek setback for new urban development from 50 to 100 feet to protect local creeks from pollution.

thanks,

Audrey Hamilton

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**From:** Arthur Kennedy <  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 15, 2015 8:54 AM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** alternative E

Greetings Supervisors:

I am in favor of this alternative:

- Increase the creek setback for new urban development from 50 to 100 feet to protect local creeks from pollution.

thank you,  
Arthur Kennedy

Dear members of the Board of Supervisors,

I am currently looking to expand my business and have found a building that would allow me to do so and am currently in negotiations on a property located in upper State Street. I recently learned that there is a proposal on the table, which would rezone this area to qualify for mixed-use purposes as part of the Eastern Goleta Community Plan update. I am very concerned of the effect the rezone will have on my business dealings along with others in the area. I just recently learned that the proposed amended mixed-use zone will prohibit many of the commercial uses allowed under the existing commercial zone and therefore render my business "legal non-conforming" and therefore preclude any future expansion or structural improvements to my premises (and/or severely limit the types of tenants I may lease to in the future). My business has been operating in the area for over 15 years, and the proposed rezone would eventually force me to abandon my business venture here. As you well know, the South Coast has very limited commercial properties for lease that could accommodate my business and therefore relocation in Santa Barbara is simply not an option here. If this rezoning goes through, I would be forced to take my business to another area, leaving many local citizens unemployed resulting in lost revenue to the City in many various ways.

I urge the Board to carefully consider the impact on local business the proposed rezone to mixed-use would have and not adopt the proposed ordinance amendment. A better alternative would be to leave the existing zone as is. Another alternative is to simply use the existing mixed-use zone designation which permits most, if not all, of the commercial uses that currently exist today. Doing so would still provide for residential housing but not at the detriment of existing business owners.

I believe the existing types of the commercial business located in the upper State St. corridor provide important services to the community and should be allowed to remain indefinitely.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely,

Mike Hansen

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**From:** Frank Spada  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 15, 2015 9:27 PM  
**To:** sbcob; Wolf, Janet  
**Subject:** Please protect our urban farms and wildlife habitats. Support Alternative E

Dear Board of Supervisors,

We desperately need protection of our farmland and open space in the Goleta Area. It is quickly disappearing and once it's gone, there is no going back. Please consider the following recommendations.

- Support Alternative E which protects critical farmland in Goleta.
- Designate and protect all chaparral as "Environmentally Sensitive Habitat" for rare plant and wildlife species in Goleta, and reject staff's late change which would undermine chaparral protection.
- Close the loophole in the Sensitive Habitat Ordinance to prevent uncontrolled clearcutting of chaparral and oak woodlands.
- Increase the creek setback for new urban development from 50 to 100 feet to protect local creeks from pollution.

Thank you,

Frank Spada

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**From:** Caroline MacDougall  
**Sent:** Friday, October 16, 2015 3:13 PM  
**To:** sbcob; Wolf, Janet  
**Subject:** Protecting farmland in Goleta

Please vote in favor of Alternative E to protect both our local farms and our wild life. Nature deserves half!

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- Increase the creek setback for new urban development from 50 to 100 feet to protect local creeks from pollution.

Caroline MacDougall  
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