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Subject: **Plan Bay Area 2040—Draft Preferred Scenario**

Executive Summary

In January 2016, ABAG and MTC released three scenarios for Plan Bay Area 2017 entitled Big Cities, Connected Corridors and Main Streets. These scenarios were presented to local jurisdictions and stakeholders, and at 9 countywide open houses/workshops earlier this year. A summary of what we heard at these local workshops is attached. This input has been informing the development of the Preferred Scenario for Plan Bay Area 2017.

ABAG had previously communicated that we would release a Draft Preferred Scenario in early July 2016. However, ABAG and MTC staff have determined that additional time is necessary to complete the draft.

As a result, the schedule for the next steps in the Plan Bay Area process has been changed to the following:

- Mid-Aug: Release of the Draft Preferred Scenario
- Sept-Oct: Solicit Input on Draft, Adopt Final Preferred Scenario

ABAG and MTC have been working to combine local feedback with the UrbanSim model output to produce the Preferred Scenario for Plan Bay Area 2040. UrbanSim is a complex land use model that allocates households and jobs by parcel based on development potential and multiple investment factors and regulations. Using this process to allocate household and job growth at the jurisdictional and PDA level has proven more challenging than anticipated. We are working with MTC to produce a growth pattern that addresses local visions and regional sustainability and equity goals by mid-August.

Next Steps

Local jurisdiction stakeholders are invited to submit feedback on the Draft Preferred Scenario by mid- September. The Final Preferred Scenario will be considered for adoption in late October.

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If jurisdictions require Council review and/or approval of the draft numbers, local planners have been urged to calendar these meetings with their city clerk as soon as possible.

We believe this revised schedule provides an adequate opportunity to review the numbers with local stakeholders and jurisdictions

Recommended Action

Information

Attachment

PBA 2040 Scenarios: What We've Heard