

From: Elizabeth Pollock, President, Del Rey Residents Association

Subject: SB 226 CEQA Guidelines

Dear Mr. Alex,

I am president of the Del Rey Residents Association, which represents the 30,000+ residents of the Del Rey neighborhood of Los Angeles. However, I cannot submit a comment letter on behalf of the organization because our board will not meet to vote on any proposed comments until Monday, March 5, 2012. Therefore, my first request would be that the comment period be extended until at least mid-March.

Speaking as an individual, I can tell you that purported "infill" projects are a HUGE problem for our community, particularly when the developers seek density bonuses under SB 1818 or other statutes. There is no realistic review of the "cumulative impacts" of the projects, nor is there adequate consideration of whether the infrastructure really exists to support the project. (Claims of access to public transit are particularly prone to be fanciful.)

Although Del Rey traditionally has been a low density community, many of the parcels are zoned R-3, and they are now being developed as multi-family structures. The truth is, the roads, sewers, and other public amenities are not ready to handle the added population.

I would urge you not to rush into adopting new implementation guidelines for infill projects.

Best regards,

Elizabeth A. Pollock