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Good Day Mr. Yakubu,

Would you be so kind as to forward the following message to the entire membership of the Coyote Valley Specific Plan Task Force?

I am concerned about the recent decision to ignore the General Plan triggers. If we must destroy the Valley and its environmental benefits to the community, I request that you give us all the benefit of a full city-wide planning. Please honor the following:

- * Evaluate development needs citywide (particularly downtown and in the North First Street area) before committing to the development of Coyote Valley,
- * Adhere to and strengthen the "development triggers" that are required by the General Plan, ensuring that development occur first in central San Jose, that the City is fiscally ready for this development, and that the City actually needs this development, a
- * Reject "phasing of the willing" and demand that development planned for Coyote Valley be phased in such a way that guarantees maximum densities in all phases of development.

Development of Coyote Valley will destroy thousands of acres of farmland and lead to further sprawl in Santa Clara County and beyond. As it is currently proceeding, this development - planned to be the size of the city of Mountain View - would also significantly worsen traffic and exacerbate the jobs-housing imbalance. Given the high level of vacancies in industrial areas throughout the County, there is no jobs reason to enlarge the urban boundary.

Most sincerely,
Terry Andre
Santa Clara County resident