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SUBJECT: GVPAC Meeting #4: Air Quality, Noise, Hazardous Materials, and Electromagnetic

The items listed below have been included as part of the meeting materials for GVPAC meeting on Wednesday, November 19, 2008

1. **Meeting Agenda:** Please see the attached agenda for the Wednesday, November 19, 2008 GVPAC meeting. For details, please see discussion of agenda items below. **(Attachment 1, Page 1)**
2. **Draft Meeting Minutes:** Staff has provided draft meeting minutes from the November 6, 2008 GVPAC Meeting for review and approval. **(Attachment 2, Page 5)**
3. **Tentative Long Term GVPAC Meeting Schedule:** Based on discussion of long term scheduling during the November 6, 2008 GVPAC Meeting, an updated long term schedule has been provided for review. **(Attachment 3, Page 11)**
4. **Tentative Route Van Tour Areas of Interest and Route Map:** Based on discussion of suggestions for the upcoming van tour of the Goleta Valley during the November 6, 2008 GVPAC Meeting, an updated list of areas of interest and a route map has been provided for review. **(Attachment 4, Page 17)**

November 19, 2008 Agenda

The following provides additional detail for selected agenda items, as labeled.

Goleta Valley Van Tour (Item #4)

During the November 6th GVPAC meeting, the GVPAC agreed to reschedule the Goleta Valley Van Tour originally scheduled for Saturday, November 22, 2008 to a date in mid-January 2009. For reference, January 24th or February 7th or 21st are available. During the November 19th GVPAC meeting, the GVPAC

is encouraged to set a new date for the van tour. This packet also contains a revised list of areas of interest in the Goleta Valley along with a new tentative route map. The GVPAC is encouraged to review the new route and provide staff with suggestions, additions, or subtractions for the van tour plan.

Goleta Community Plan Land Use Goal and Objective Overview (Item #5)

During the November 6th GVPAC meeting, the last portion of the presentation of Goleta Community Plan: Land Use Goals and Objectives was continued to the November 19th GVPAC meeting in order to adjourn the meeting on time. This portion of the presentation will complete agenda item #4 from the November 6th GVPAC meeting. The presentation and discussion concluding the overview of Land Use goals and objectives will be general and brief so as to allow ample time to cover a detailed discussion of current trends and issues related to the air quality, noise, hazardous materials, and electromagnetic issue areas, as follows:

Community Plan Discussion: Air Quality, Noise, Hazardous Materials, & Electromagnetic (Item #5)

The upcoming meeting will be the first of many that addresses specific issue areas from the Goleta Community Plan with an increased degree of detail to allow for thorough comprehension of current trends and issues of importance related to the issue areas. During these issue-specific meetings, the GVPAC will receive technical details about the issues, including existing standards, permitting processes, and linkages to general plan land use planning to inform discussion of relevance to the Goleta Community Plan update. As a preview of the presentation, we will cover the following current trends and issues for the following topics:

1. **Air Quality:** Discussion topics will include state standards for air quality and their local applicability and linkages to land use planning, as well as the impact varying land use patterns have on air quality and emissions.
2. **Noise:** Discussion will pertain to existing local regulation and standards for noise sources, including the Santa Barbara Municipal Airport, Hwy 101, and residential, commercial, industrial, and agricultural land uses to understand the influence land use planning has on noise generation. Discussion will also cover County permitting processes with consideration of sensitive receptors, such as school, residential neighborhoods, day cares, etc.
3. **Hazardous Materials:** Discussion will pertain to Hazardous Materials sources in the Goleta Valley, local remediation and disposal opportunities, and state standards for handling of hazardous materials during construction and operation phases of projects.
4. **Electromagnetic:** Discussion topics will include the examples of local sources of electromagnetic fields and permitting standards for these types of projects.

In preparation for this presentation and discussion, please read the following selected chapters of the Goleta Community Plan:

1. IV.B Air Quality,
2. IV.D Electromagnetic,
3. IV.H Noise, and
4. IV.I Risk of Upset/Hazardous Materials

Following the presentation, a discussion will be encouraged to address these specific issue areas and linkages with land use planning. The following focus questions are provided to aid in discussion. Please consider these questions prior to the meeting and feel free to generate additional questions for staff and the GVPAC to augment the discussion.

1. How can land use planning in the Goleta Community Plan best address air quality and pollution/emissions?
2. What land use patterns and transportation modes and components in the Eastern Goleta Valley tend to increase or decrease pollution/emissions?
3. How best can land use planning in the Goleta Community Plan address noise pollution?
4. What land use patterns and transportation modes and components in the Eastern Goleta Valley tend to increase or decrease noise pollution?