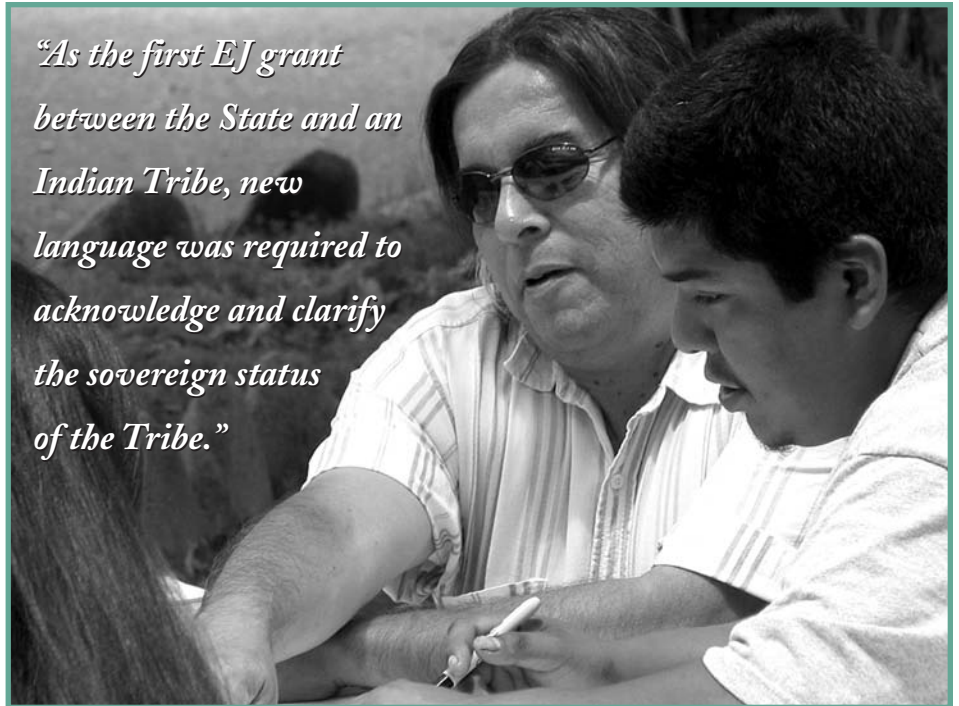




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## *Planning for Downtown Hoopa* **Tribal Planning Results**

*By Michael Sweeney, AICP and Alison Pernell*

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### **Introduction**

The Hupa people (Natinixwe - pronounced Nah-tin-o-whey) have lived along the Trinity River in Northern California for over 10,000 years. Located in the Hoopa Valley (Natinook), the Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation is the largest Indian Reservation in California, encompassing twelve square miles of rugged timberland and the Hoopa Valley. The Valley came to be called “Hoopa,” and the Tribe, the people, and their language have become known as “Hupa.”

Since becoming federally-recognized in 1876, the Hoopa Valley Tribe has successfully set into motion a plan for its future that addresses cultural maintenance, governmental stability, financial security and a prosperous membership. Recent accomplishments include the certification of the Hoopa Valley Aggregate & Concrete Plant and the inauguration of the Hoopa Modular Building Enterprise.

Highway 96 is both the principal road within the Valley and chief access route to areas outside the Reservation.

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# Letter from the PRESIDENT

By *Jeri Ram, AICP, CCAPA President*



The month of February was a busy one for CCAPA. I attended the Student Planning Conference at California State University, San Jose and held a CCAPA Board Meeting in Oakland.

The Student Planning Conference was just wonderful. It was organized by the students at San Jose, and they did a fantastic job. The conference was held on a Friday afternoon and evening.

**William Fulton** and **Paul Shigley** were the keynote speakers. I helped to moderate a session on downtown revitalization with **Kip Harkness** and **Bill Farrel**. The conference was well attended by students from all over California. It was great to participate in the event, and CCAPA is committed to supporting this student effort.

The Board Meeting was our first meeting this year. Welcome newly-elected **Vince Bertoni**, President Elect; **Gary Conte**, Vice President of Public Information; and **Kurt Christensen**, Vice President of Administration. The Board appointed **Pete Parkinson**, Vice President of Policy & Legislation, to finish off Vince's term which expires in December 2006. Welcome **John Bridges**, our newly appointed National Policy and Legislation Representative.

At the business meeting, CCAPA discussed plans for the upcoming conferences in Orange County in 2006 and San Jose in 2007. In addition, we discussed our public information

program and the development of a new logo as well as our legislative program. The Board also kicked off its new diversity program, led by **Jeanette Dinwiddie-Moore**.

CCAPA prepared an op-ed this last month, commenting on the Governor's proposed infrastructure spending plan. We indicated that to put the State further into debt by funding infrastructure without a plan would not help to create great communities. The op-ed was picked up by many newspapers around California.

In the next few months, many of us in the public sector will be working on our fiscal year 2006-2007 budget. After meeting so many students at the Student Planning Conference and hearing their enthusiasm, I would like to encourage all of you to consider funding paid internships for planning students. Students need mentoring and an opportunity to gain experience and practical knowledge.

In April, I will be attending the Chapter President's Council and National meetings in San Antonio and then attending the National Conference. I hope to see many of you there.

*Jeri Ram*



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# Professional Development

By Kimberly Christensen, AICP, Vice President for Professional Development, CPF Board Member

## *Six Californians To Be Inducted Into The AICP College of Fellows in 2006*

Six California Chapter planners who are members of the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) are to be inducted into the AICP College of Fellows at the American Planning Association National Conference in San Antonio, Texas. Forty-five individuals will be inducted this year at a ceremony held on April 22, 2006 at the historic Menger Hotel. The California Chapter inductees are:

- William Anderson, AICP
- Gary Binger, AICP
- Elaine Costello, AICP
- Naphtali H. Knox, AICP
- Alan Kreditor, AICP
- Donald Rothblatt, AICP

Election to the College of Fellows is one of the highest honors that the American Institute of Certified Planners bestows upon a member. This honor recognizes the achievements of the professional as a model planner with significant contributions to planning and society. Fellowship is granted to planners who have been members of AICP for at least 15 years and have achieved excellence in professional practice, teaching and mentoring, research, public or community service, and leadership.

The California Chapter APA Board of Directors congratulates the California Chapter inductees on their achievement and commends them for their contributions to furthering the planning profession!

For more information regarding the induction event, the names of all of this year's inductees or the AICP College of Fellows, see [www.planning.org/faicp](http://www.planning.org/faicp). For short biographies of the California Chapter inductees see [www.calapa.org](http://www.calapa.org).

## *Become A Board Member of the California Planning Foundation*

Have you ever wanted to get involved and contribute to the planning profession other than in your workplace? Well, here is your opportunity. The California Planning Foundation (CPF), a CCAPA affiliated organization, is recruiting energetic planners who are committed to furthering the profession by focusing on the academic excellence of the next generation of planners.

CPF is a non-profit corporation that was established to further the professional practice of planning in California. CPF achieves this goal through its primary activity of scholarships and awards to university students in financial need, who have demonstrated academic excellence at programs approved by the Planning Accreditation Board. A secondary, but vitally important CPF activity is the sponsorship of workshops, publications and other continuing educational and professional development programs focused on topical issues. All revenue from registration fees in excess of nominal workshop expenses goes to the Foundation's scholarship endowment.

Please contact Kimberly Christensen at [kchristensen@elsegundo.org](mailto:kchristensen@elsegundo.org) or Hing Wong at [Hingw@abag.ca.gov](mailto:Hingw@abag.ca.gov) for further information regarding serving on the CPF Board of Directors. The deadline for consideration for positions on the CPF Board for 2007 is **April 30, 2006**. For further information regarding CPF, please see [www.californiapanningfoundation.org](http://www.californiapanningfoundation.org).

## *Kick-off of New California Chapter AICP Continuing Education Program*

The California Chapter APA Board of Directors has established its own California Chapter Voluntary AICP Continuing Education Program that parallels the AICP Continuing Professional Development Program in an effort to emphasize and reinforce the importance and value of professional development and continuing education throughout one's career as a professional planner.

The purpose and goals of the program include:

- a. Commitment to the profession similar to other peer professions.
- b. Commitment to oneself as a professional with a goal of life-long learning.
- c. Maintenance of a standard of excellence for California planners and the ability to be competitive in the workplace.
- d. Opportunity for the California Chapter to be a leader in the development of a high quality Continuing Education Program and the setting of quality standards for educational resources.
- e. Greater support and momentum for the AICP Continuing Professional Development Program by establishing a successful state-level program.

The California Chapter Voluntary AICP Continuing Education Program has the following requirements:

Completion of a minimum of 18 units over a 2-year period. Each unit of credit is equivalent to 1 hour of study. Typical sources of credit are APA National and California Chapter conferences; AICP training programs; seminars and lunch programs by California Chapter Sections; university courses and workshops; and a variety of workshops, seminars, and conferences of affiliated organizations (such as, CPF, AEP, League of California Cities, Planners Institute, ULI, AIA, ASLA, etc.). A complete list of eligible programs will be posted on the CCAPA website. The program does allow some forms of self-study for up to 1/2 the total number of hours (up to 9 units). Self-study sources include: video conferences, audio conferences, tapes, CD ROMs, and books.

All programs pre-approved with pre-determined credits. Credit for self-study of tapes, video conferences, and audio conferences are limited to its duration not to exceed two hours each. Books must be assigned credit and pre-approved by the

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**Planning for Downtown Hoopa**

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The need for improved traffic safety and pedestrian enhancement along portions of State Highway 96, basic transportation infrastructure, and to beautify the area was first noted by the Tribe's Injury & Violence Prevention Program which identified critical injury cluster sites along the Highway. Traffic collision records show that the motor vehicle-related injury rate for residents in this part of the County is three to four times greater than for other County residents, and that Humboldt County is third in counties with the most California Native American traffic-related deaths, after Los Angeles and San Diego Counties.

In 2002, on behalf of the Hoopa Valley Tribe, the non-profit Local Government Commission (LGC) submitted a grant proposal to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) under the Environmental Justice (EJ) Grant Program. The purpose of the proposal was to address traffic safety and community design issues through a highly participatory series of workshops, known as a charrette. A grant was awarded in 2003 – the first awarded to a Native American Tribe in California. Implementation began in November 2004.

***Downtown Hoopa Design Fair***

The design team worked with a local Technical Advisory Committee to involve community members, Tribal, and County and State Government officials in a public outreach campaign. The design team included the LGC, a statewide nonprofit membership organization that provides technical assistance to local governments and communities; Walkable Communities, Inc., a non-profit corporation that helps communities become more walkable and pedestrian friendly; Kittelson & Associates, a company specializing in transportation planning & traffic engineering; Michael Sweeney, AICP, an environmental planning consultant with traffic calming and pedestrian enhancement expertise; and Caltrans District 1 staff.

The design team worked with the Hoopa Valley Roads Department, Tribal leaders, elders, youth, residents, and business owners in the Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation to organize a community design fair – during which a conceptual plan for downtown Hoopa was developed.

The five-day Downtown Hoopa Design Fair was held in June 2005 and drew over 250 participants from this rural community of less than 4,000 people. Local entertainment and free food created a draw, and local businesses donated prizes to the free raffle. The local transit authority, KT Net, provided transportation to and from each public event during the fair. Public input was gathered through focus groups, a walking audit of

downtown Hoopa, and several community design sessions.

Utilizing community input, the design team developed a conceptual plan that:

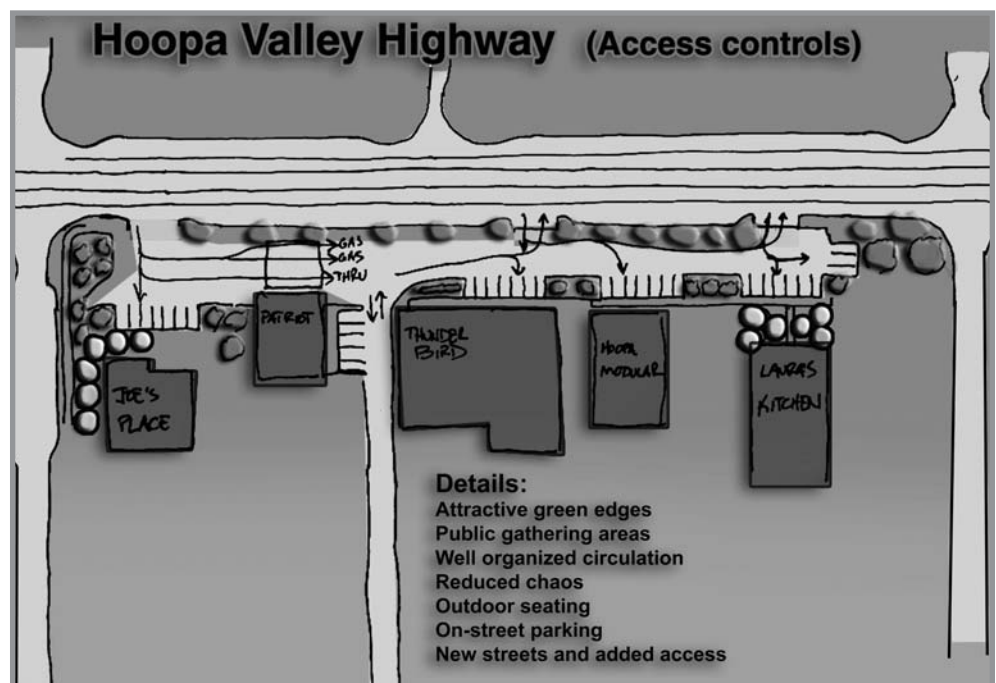
- Creates safer pedestrian access across the Trinity River Bridge and calms traffic through the downtown area;
- Identifies streetscape improvements, such as lighting, street trees, and access controls to and from downtown businesses;
- Addresses roadway realignment and an interconnected street network; and
- Integrates culturally- and context-sensitive design features, such as a gateway entrance, public plaza, and cultural facilities along the Trinity River.

***Tribal Sovereignty***

The following Hoopa Valley Tribe's mission statement emphasizes the significance of sovereignty to the Hupa people: To promote and defend the Hoopa Valley Tribe's rights, culture, lands, resources, and integrity by strengthening government, elevating the quality of life, developing human resources, and creating economic growth and financial security for the future.

Issues related to sovereignty surfaced early during contract negotiations between the Hoopa Valley Tribe and Caltrans. As the first EJ grant between the State and an Indian Tribe, new language was required to acknowledge and clarify the sovereign status of the Tribe. Tribal leaders, including Chairman Clifford Lyle Marshall, an attorney, successfully negotiated language that recognized Hoopa Valley Tribe sovereignty in its contractual relationship with the State. The resulting and precedent-setting

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*Proposed access controls will limit access and egress from the State Highway 96*

# An Opportunity Too Good To Pass Up!

## *CCAPA Board Nominations Now Being Accepted*

**By Vince Bertoni, AICP, President-Elect**

Have you been interested in making an impact on the way Planning is practiced in California? Do you want to create professional relationships with planners from throughout the State? Now is your opportunity! Nominations are being accepted through **April 30, 2006** for several important California Chapter Board positions:

- Vice President for Policy and Legislation
- Vice President for Professional Development
- Planning Commission Representative

All positions are two-year terms commencing on January 1, 2007 and ending on December 31, 2008. CCAPA is seeking qualified candidates that represent the diversity of planners practicing in California. If you would like more information or would like to submit a nomination, please call or write Vince Bertoni, AICP, Nominations Committee Chair. Vince can be reached at 310.285.1123 or [vbortoni@beverlyhills.org](mailto:vbortoni@beverlyhills.org).

The following are descriptions of the duties of the Board positions:

### **Vice President for Policy and Legislation**

- a. Monitor, comment, and develop positions regarding policy and legislation relating to APA's mission;
- b. Establish a process and obtain input from members regarding state policy and legislation;
- c. Determine planning issues of broad concern to members which require State legislation;
- d. Determine actions to be taken to implement CCAPA's position in consultation with the Chapter Board of Directors and members;
- e. Organize actions in support of CCAPA's position together with the Chapter's legislative advocate;
- f. Act as liaison between CCAPA's Legislative Program and National APA's Government Affairs Program, which represents the planning profession in Washington, D.C.;
- g. Conduct an annual legislative workshop or other session;
- h. Assist the Chapter Legislative Advocate in conducting the Legislative Review Team Program, involving a minimum of two meetings each per year, in both Northern and Southern California; and
- i. Perform any other duties assigned by the Chapter Board of Directors.

### **Vice President for Professional Development**

- a. Promote professional development and continuing education, including the provision of Chapter-sponsored workshops each year;
- b. Serve as a Director of the California Planning Foundation;
- c. Coordinate the activities of the Section Professional Development Officers, including the preparation for the AICP exam;
- d. Provide liaison with university and college planning departments and other professional organizations;
- e. Conduct a session at the CCAPA conference relating to the AICP exam;
- f. Conduct annual meetings with Section Professional Development Officers (PDOs) at the State conference;
- g. Coordinate the Continuing Professional Development Program (CPDP) among California AICP members;
- h. Coordinate implementation of the CCAPA Voluntary Continuing Education Program for California AICP members and the establishment of the Continuing Education Coordinator;
- i. Review and approve the addition of Continuing Education Providers and Continuing Education programs eligible for credit in the CCAPA Voluntary Continuing Education Program for California AICP members;
- j. Act as liaison with the American Institute of Certified Planners Commission and the National Planning Accreditation Board; and
- k. Perform any other duties assigned by the Chapter Board of Directors.

### **Planning Commission Representative**

The duties of the Planning Commission Representative shall be to reflect planning official perspectives on planning and planning issues in California as a member of the Chapter Board of Directors, and at the annual CCAPA conference and to increase planning commissioner participation in APA and CCAPA. The Planning Commission Representative shall also implement the Strategic Plan by implementing the goals of the Mission Statement, the fundamental tenants, and the strategies associated with membership development and diversity and to develop a more complete set of tasks centered around Planning Commission involvement. The Planning Commission Representative shall report to the President.

# Legislative UPDATE

By Sande George, Stefan/George Associates, CCAPA Legislative Advocate



## Initial List of 2006 CCAPA Hot Planning Bills

*As of February 8, 2006*

This year is going to be another busy year for planning in the California Legislature. Below is the latest list of Hot Planning Bills that are still alive from last year or have just been introduced. The majority of legislation being introduced for 2006 won't be in print until after March 1. Watch the CCAPA website for a full list of new bills and CCAPA positions. To date, as you can see, the hot action is in these areas:

1. **Infrastructure bonds.** The total amount of the bonds, whether the bonds will be on the June or November ballots, and what the bonds will pay for, are all up in the air.
2. **Smart growth and regional planning criteria to be eligible for bond funding for certain purposes.** There is more discussion than written proposals on this issue right now.
3. **Restrictions on the use of Eminent Domain Law.** Although there are a number of bills in the Legislature addressing this issue, the real game will be the initiatives that are being circulated by Senator McClintock and others that severely limit, if not eliminate, the use of eminent domain.
4. **Flood protection.** The real issues in this debate are who will take on the liability for assessing and certifying that a levee or project meets a specific standard, whether that standard should protect against a 100-year or 200-year flood, and the part that insurance, development and building standards, building moratoriums, planning, housing requirements, and land use will play in that flood protection.
5. **CEQA "streamlining."** Legislation will provide changes to CEQA to encourage infill housing, speed up infrastructure projects, or completely revamp CEQA in general.
6. **20-year planning for housing.** Several comprehensive bills – one sponsored by the Building Industry Association – are expected to be introduced. They will require 20-year planning for housing, up-front planning and environmental assessments at the General Plan level, including new housing opportunity zones that will eliminate or restrict CEQA in those areas.
7. **Density bonus law changes – again.** At least two measures will again attempt to make additional changes to the density bonus law.

### INITIAL 2006 CCAPA HOT BILL LIST

#### **AB 573 (Wolk) Design professionals: Indemnity. (A-01/05/2006)**

**Status:** 01/19/2006 - Re-referred to Com. on JUD.

**Current Location:** 01/19/2006-S JUD.

This bill would authorize a public agency to require, in an agreement or contract entered into on or after January 1, 2007 with a design professional, that the design professional indemnify, defend, or hold harmless the public agency, or its officers and employees, or both, from liabilities, damages, losses, and costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of the design professional and other persons employed by the design professional in the performance of the agreement or contract. Except as permitted by this provision, the bill would prohibit the public agency from requiring the design professional to defend, indemnify, or hold harmless the public agency or its officers and employees from any claim, action, or proceeding against the public agency.

**Position:** REVIEW AM, Priority, HOT

#### **AB 773 (Mullin) Redevelopment: Referendum. (A-01/04/2006)**

**Status:** 02/02/2006 - Referred to Com. on L.GOV.

**Current Location:** 02/02/2006-S L. GOV.

The Community Redevelopment Law authorizes the establishment of redevelopment agencies in communities in order to address the effects of blight, as defined, in those communities and prescribes certain requirements applicable to referendum petitions circulated in cities or counties with over 500,000 in population, relating to a redevelopment plan that is subject to a referendum. This bill would make these requirements applicable to referendum petitions circulated in all cities and counties.

**Position:** REVIEW AM, Priority, HOT



**AB 782 (Mullin) Redevelopment: Project area. (A-01/04/2006)**

**Status:** 01/26/2006 - Referred to Com. on L.GOV.

**Current Location:** 01/26/2006-S L. GOV.

The Community Redevelopment Law authorizes the establishment of redevelopment agencies in communities to address the effects of blight, as defined, in those communities. That law also specifies both the physical and economic conditions that cause blight and defines a project area as a "predominantly urbanized" area of a community that is a blighted area. One criterion of blight is that the land in the project area is characterized by the existence of subdivided lots of irregular form and shape and inadequate size for proper usefulness and development that are in multiple ownership. This bill would delete this criterion from the definition of "blight" for purposes of these provisions for areas that are not "predominantly urbanized."

**Position, REVIEW AM, Priority, HOT**

**AB 802 (Wolk) Land use: Water supply. (A-01/23/2006)**

**Status:** 02/02/2006 - Referred to Com. on L.GOV.

**Current Location:** 02/02/2006-S L. GOV.

The bill would instead require on or after January 1, 2007, the safety element to assess the risk of "reasonably foreseeable flooding," meaning flooding that has a one in 200-year chance of occurring in any given year, and to provide an assessment of the levees and other local flood and water supply infrastructure, among other things.

**Position, REVIEW AM, Priority, HOT**

**AB 1162 (Mullin) Eminent domain. (A-09/02/2005)**

**Status:** 09/06/2005 - Re-referred to Com. on RLS.

**Current Location:** 09/06/2005-S RLS.

Existing law authorizes public entities to seize private property under the power of eminent domain. This bill would prohibit, until January 1, 2008, a community redevelopment agency, or community development commission or joint powers agency, as specified, from exercising the power of eminent domain to acquire owner-occupied residential real property if ownership of the property will be transferred to a private party or private entity.

**Position, REVIEW AM, Priority, HOT**

**AB 1387 (Jones) CEQA: Residential infill projects. (A-01/13/2006)**

**Status:** 02/02/2006 - Referred to Com. on E.Q.

**Current Location:** 02/02/2006-S E.Q.

This bill would provide that, except as specified, if a residential project, not exceeding 100 units, with a minimum residential density of 20 units per acre, and within one-half mile of the transit stop, on an infill site in an urbanized area is in compliance with the traffic, circulation, and transportation policies of the general plan and applicable ordinances of the local government, and the local government requires that the mitigation measures approved in a previously certified project area environmental impact report applicable to the project be incorporated into the project, the local government is not required to comply with specified requirements with respect to the making of any findings regarding the significant environmental effects from impacts of the project on traffic at intersections, or on streets, highways, or freeways.

**Position, REVIEW AM, Priority, HOT**

**AB 1433 (Emmerson) Public finance contracts. (A-08/25/2005)**

**Status:** 08/25/2005-From committee chair, with author's amendments: amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on E.Q.

**Current Location:** 08/25/2005-S E.Q.

This bill would specify that no approval, sale, or issuance of any conduit revenue bonds for the benefit of any 501(c)(3) organization borrowing the proceeds of those bonds, and no limited project approval of a 501(c)(3) bond-financed project by any state or local government bond issuer of conduit revenue bonds, constitutes an approval of a project for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act .

**Position, OPPOSE, Priority, HOT**

**AB 1665 (Laird) Flood control. (A-09/08/2005)**

**Status:** 06/28/2005 - From committee chair, with author's amendments: amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on N.R. & W.

**Current Location:** 09/08/2005-S N.R. & W.

This bill would rename the Reclamation Board the Central Valley Flood Management Board. The bill would require the Department of Water Resources, on or before March 31, 2006, to prepare a schedule for mapping areas at risk of flooding in the Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers drainage, and, thereafter, to update the schedule annually. The bill would require the board to prepare and submit to the Legislature one or more reports describing the history and engineering design of the facilities of the state plan of flood control.

**Position, REVIEW AM, Priority, HOT**

**AB 1783 (Nunez) Infrastructure financing. (I-01/04/2006)**

**Status:** 01/05/2006 - From printer.

**Current Location:** 01/04/2006-A PRINT

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature, in enacting the California Infrastructure, Improvement, Smart Growth, Economic Reinvestment, and Emergency Preparedness Financing Act of 2006, to provide for the financing of state and local government infrastructure through various funding sources, including bonds, fees, assessments, and other sources. The financing would be used to fund purposes such as transportation, flood control, safe water systems, environmental improvement, housing, hospital seismic safety repair, and emergency public safety communications equipment, among others.

**Position, REVIEW, Priority, HOT**

**AB 1838 (Oropeza) Transportation Bond Acts of 2006, 2008, and 2012: Transportation contracting. (I-01/10/2006)**

**Status:** 01/11/2006 - From printer.

**Current Location:** 01/10/2006-A PRINT

This bill would enact the Governor's Congestion Reduction, Clean Air, and Trade Corridor Bond Act of 2006, the Congestion Reduction, Clean Air, and Trade Corridor Bond Act of 2008, and the Transportation Revenue Bond Act of 2012. The bill would require the Secretary of State to submit the proposed bond measures to the voters at an unspecified election in 2006, and at the November 4, 2008 and November 6, 2012 elections, respectively.

**Position, REVIEW, Priority, HOT**

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**AB 1839 (Laird) Water: Flood Protection and Clean, Safe, Reliable Water Supply Bond and Financing Acts of 2006 and 2010. (I-01/10/2006)****Status:** 01/11/2006 - From printer.**Current Location:** 01/10/2006-A PRINT

This bill would enact the Flood Protection and Clean, Safe, Reliable Water Supply Bond and Financing Acts of 2006 and 2010. The Flood Protection and Clean, Safe, Reliable Water Supply Bond and Financing Act of 2006 would, if approved by the voters, authorize the issuance and sale of bonds in the amount of \$3 trillion for the purposes of financing specified flood protection and water management programs, as scheduled. The Flood Protection and Clean, Safe, Reliable Water Supply Bond and Financing Act of 2010 would, if approved by the voters, authorize the issuance and sale of bonds in the amount of \$6 trillion for the purposes of financing specified flood protection and water management programs, as scheduled.

**Position:** REVIEW, Priority: HOT**AB 1898 (Jones) Flood insurance. (I-01/25/2006)****Status:** 01/26/2006 - From printer. May be heard in committee February 25.**Current Location:** 01/25/2006-A PRINT

Existing state law does not contain a requirement that property owners maintain flood insurance. Existing federal law contains the National Flood Insurance Act which prohibits federal lenders from making, increasing, extending, or renewing loans on specified property located in flood hazard areas, as specified, unless the property is covered by flood insurance. This bill would enact the California Flood Insurance Program which would require that owners of property located in levee protection/inundation zones as determined by maps developed, or approved by, the Department of Water Resources maintain flood insurance as specified. This provision would take effect July 1, 2007.

**Position:** REVIEW, Priority: HOT**AB 1899 (Wolk) Land use: Show me the flood protection. (I-01/25/2006)****Status:** 01/26/2006 - From printer. May be heard in committee February 25.**Current Location:** 01/25/2006-A PRINT

This bill would require a city or county that determines that a project is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act to identify all relevant flood management agencies and to require those agencies to submit to the city or county a specified flood protection assessment. The bill would require a city or county to include in a draft or final environmental document prepared for the project the flood protection assessment and a discussion as to whether the flood protection for the lands upon which the project is proposed to be located currently meets a specified 200-year flood protection standard. If the city or county is unable to conclude that the lands currently meet that standard, the bill would require the city or county, flood management agency, and project applicant to work together to ensure that the lands upon which the project is proposed to be located will meet that flood protection standard prior to those lands being developed. This bill will also require a city or county, as a condition in any

tentative map that includes a project, a requirement that a flood management agency verify to the city or county that the lands upon which the project is proposed to be located will meet the 200-year flood protection standard within 5 years. These two new requirements are based on similar requirements for water supply.

**Position:** REVIEW, Priority: HOT**ACA 22 (La Malfa) Eminent domain: Condemnation proceedings. (A-01/26/2006)****Status:** 01/30/2006-Re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D.**Current Location:** 01/30/2006-A H. & C.D.

This measure would provide that private property may be taken or damaged only for a stated public use and may not be taken or damaged without the consent of the owner for purposes of economic development, increasing tax revenue, or any other private use, nor for maintaining the present use by a different owner. The measure would also require that the property be owned and occupied by the condemner, except as specified, and used only for the stated public use.

**Position:** OPPOSE, Priority: HOT**SB 44 (Kehoe) General plans: Air quality element. (A-05/17/2005)****Status:** 01/17/2006-Reconsideration granted. Placed on inactive file on request of Assembly Member Frommer.**Current Location:** 01/17/2006-A INACTIVE FILE

This bill would require the legislative body of each city and county to either adopt an air quality element as part of its general plan, or amend the appropriate elements of its general plan to include data and analysis, comprehensive goals, policies, and feasible implementation strategies intended to contribute to and complement other local, regional, state, and federal strategies to improve air quality no later than one year from the date specified for the next revision of its housing element that occurs after January 1, 2007. The bill would require all other cities and counties to comply with these provisions during their next general plan update but no later than the date specified for the fifth revision of their housing element that occurs after January 1, 2007.

**Position:** SUPP AS AM, Priority: HOT**SB 53 (Kehoe) Redevelopment. (A-08/15/2005)****Status:** 08/15/2005 - From committee with author's amendments. Read second time. Amended.**Re-referred to committee.****Current Location:** 05/16/2005-A

This bill would require redevelopment plans to contain a description of the agency's program to acquire real property by eminent domain, including prohibitions, if any, on the use of eminent domain, and a time limit for the commencement of eminent domain proceedings.

**Position:** REVIEW AM, Priority: HOT

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## Planning for Downtown Hoopa

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Fund Transfer Agreement for Native American Tribes has since been used by at least one other Tribe in contracting with the State.

### Cultural Issues

Native American communities may appear homogenous to many outsiders, but, in fact, they are often quite diverse. In Hoopa, clans and families speak different dialects and pose contrasting interpretations of their own mythology and culture. However, there are more similarities with other communities than differences. Hupa people have pride in their community and a sense of belonging; they care especially for the safety and health of their children and elders, and they all desire a better quality of life.

From the very beginning of the project, the authors focused on trust-building. Initially, a common perception among participants was that the consultants would impose a plan on their community. The authors addressed this perception by repeatedly reminding the people that this grass-roots planning effort allowed the Hupa people to create their own plan through the highly-participatory charrette process.

Another trust issue was raised by a young college student on the Reservation. He questioned who the plan would be for: the Hupa people or the tourists? In a moving statement, he reminded everyone that there are few Hupa left and that “we need to focus our attention on taking care of ourselves – improving the community for the betterment of our people – not the tourists.” An older Tribal member believed “we can do both” – they could make downtown Hoopa a better place to live and work as well as a more inviting and comfortable place for tourists who could bring revenue to local and Tribal businesses.

During the middle of the five-day Design Fair, a Tribal elder died. The facility that had been previously scheduled for focus groups and public meetings was suddenly slated for mourning and funeral ceremonies, becoming off limits to public use for days. We scrambled to relocate the meetings at a different location. Thankfully, a ceremony was held to “clear” the facility in such a way that the deceased could be honored and the public events scheduled for the following day could still occur.

Throughout the process, considerable debate ensued over the appropriate use of cultural icons as motifs and unifying themes. A respected Tribal elder suggested that certain icons could be incorporated into a gateway design

for the downtown area marking Hoopa as a sacred place.

However, many Tribal members felt that specific ceremonial elements associated with sacred rituals were not appropriate as gateway features, unifying elements, or other public displays. They preferred natural features, such as salmon, which remain a revered symbol and significant part of the Hoopa cuisine. Salmon also denotes an individual identity as a natural creature separate from cultural interpretations.

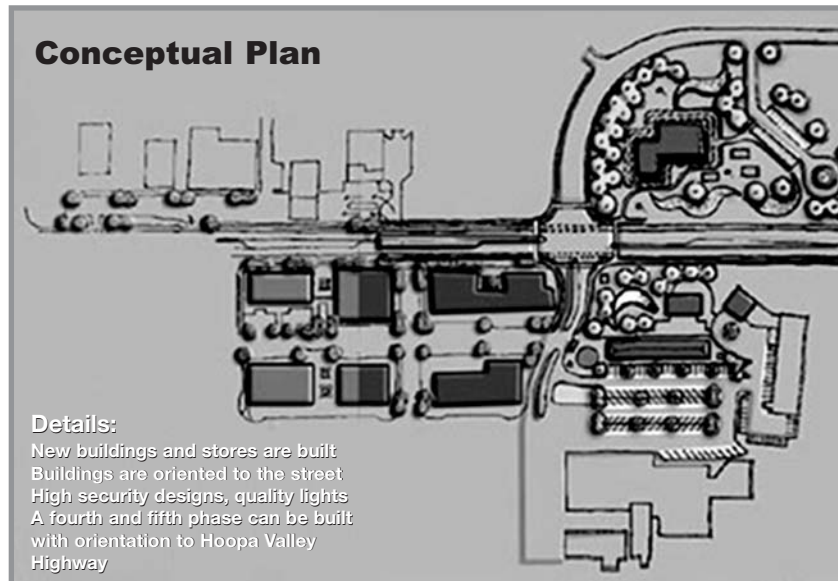
### Maintaining Momentum

The Tribe is moving forward with clean-up, fencing, roadway realignment, and land acquisition while Caltrans is assisting with the cleanup of the highway, graffiti removal, and pursuing additional funding for a Tribal Corridor Management Plan. The Hoopa Tribal Council, Tribal Roads and Planning Departments, Tribal members, the design team and Caltrans are committed to making Hoopa a safe and healthy community that reflects the 10,000+ year history and culture of the beautiful Hoopa Valley.

*The “Traffic Calming and Safety Enhancement” Conceptual Plan for Hoopa can be downloaded from LGC’s website at [www.lgc.org/hoopa](http://www.lgc.org/hoopa).*

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## Professional Development

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California Chapter Vice President of Professional Development or the California Chapter Continuing Education Coordinator. The program is designed to allow a broad range of potential sources for credit to benefit the diverse California planning community that we serve and the diverse educational needs of our membership.

The CCAPA Voluntary Continuing Education Program also includes a recognition component. Participants who complete the requirements of the program will receive Certificates of Completion, acknowledgement of completion on the CCAPA website, acknowledgement of completion in the CCAPA newsletter, acknowledgement of completion at the CCAPA conferences in the program brochure. Each year, a free registration for a CCAPA conference will be given to the program participant

who has completed the program with the highest number of credits in the prior year.

The home page of the CCAPA website will have a link to the page for the California Chapter APA Voluntary AICP Continuing Education Program. The California Chapter Continuing Education Program web page will contain a database to record and maintain your credits similar to the AICP program on the APA National website (see [www.planning.org/cdp/](http://www.planning.org/cdp/)). The database is expected to be online no later than the end of May 2006, and eligible programs will be retroactive to January 1, 2006.

*For more information regarding the California Chapter AICP Continuing Education Program, please visit [www.calapa.org](http://www.calapa.org) or contact Kimberly Christensen at [kchristensen@elsegundo.org](mailto:kchristensen@elsegundo.org).*

## AICP Certification and AICP Exam Preparation

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### May Exam

**Application Submission Deadline:** Wednesday, March 1, 2006

**Test Days:** May 8 - 22, 2006

### November Exam

**Application Submission Deadline:** Not Released Yet

**Test Days:** Not Released Yet

**Exam Cost:** \$425

**Scholarships:** AICP offers scholarships (reduced examination fee of \$120) to assist AICP candidates with financial hardship. Contact APA California Chapter Professional Development Officer, Kimberly Christensen, AICP, at [kchristensen@elsegundo.org](mailto:kchristensen@elsegundo.org) for details.

### AICP Exam Preparation Study Materials and Workshops

*AICP Examination Preparation Course 2005 Study Manual and CD ROM* – Available from AICP (see APA National website); \$195 for Study Manual and CD ROM; \$145 for Book only; \$105 for CD ROM only

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*APA's Chapter Presidents' Council* offers the *CPC Study Manual* for those who are preparing to take the AICP exam. The purpose of the study manual is to help review basic planning concepts and to practice skills that are necessary for taking a multiple-choice test. The manual includes:

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To order a copy: Send a check for \$22 payable to CCAPA, to Kimberly Christensen, AICP, Planning Manager, City of El Segundo, Planning and Building Safety Department, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, CA 90245-3813.

A list of recommended reading materials is also available on the CCAPA and APA National websites.

Please check the California Chapter and your local Section websites, or contact your Chapter or Section Professional Development Officer for information regarding local AICP Exam

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*Making Great Communities Happen*

February 13, 2006

Ms. Jeri Ram, AICP  
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Dear Ms. Ram, AICP:

Thank you for your generous contribution on behalf of the California Chapter of APA to the Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund of the Planning Foundation of APA. Your timely gift will be used to support the efforts of APA and the Louisiana and Mississippi chapters in the devastated Gulf Coast region. We will continue to ensure that the comprehensive outlook that only planning offers is built into long-term recovery and rebuilding.

We have accomplished much thus far:

The Foundation joined the AIA Foundation in creating the first statewide post-hurricane planning conference for Louisiana, just one month after APA sponsored a one-day disaster workshop at our Louisiana chapter conference. The Louisiana Recovery and Rebuilding Conference brought together 500 planners, citizens, officials, and community leaders in New Orleans for an intensive three-day workshop.

The Foundation supported the special six-member team of planners sent to New Orleans in early October at the request of the New Orleans City Planning Commission and our chapter. The team assessed the city's post-Katrina planning capacity as it moves forward in developing and implementing plans to guide redevelopment.

The Foundation, with APA and AICP, provided support to the National Building Museum for its series, "Building in the Aftermath." This series is providing a wide variety of speakers as federal aid and policies are being debated post-Katrina.

More projects are on the horizon:

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## Professional Development

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Preparation workshops offered during the year.

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AICP Planning Assistance Teams will be deployed in the weeks and months to come in the Gulf Coast region, with support from the Foundation.

The Foundation will help affected planners and planning firms rebuild their libraries.

The Foundation will sponsor educational programs on disaster recovery for planners across the country.

Details on these efforts and others we will undertake are posted at [www.planning.org/foundation/katrina](http://www.planning.org/foundation/katrina). I hope you will visit frequently for updates. APA's full response to Katrina is posted at [www.planning.org/katrina](http://www.planning.org/katrina).

Thank you for helping APA make a difference in rebuilding communities of unique and lasting value.

Sincerely,

W. Paul Farmer, AICP  
Executive Director and CEO



## Legislative Update

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**SB 223 (Torlakson) Infill housing. (A-07/01/2005)**

**Status:** 08/25/2005 - Set, second hearing. Held in committee and under submission.

**Current Location:** 07/13/2005-A APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

This bill would establish the Job-Center Housing Planning Program to be administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development for the purpose of providing loans, to the extent funds are made available for this purpose, to cities, counties, and cities and counties to adopt specific plans that provide for additional infill housing opportunities. The bill would require, as a condition of loan eligibility, that a specific plan meet specified criteria, including that it cover an area that is predominantly urbanized and served by public transportation and that it allow for the development of at least 200 new housing units in a nonmetropolitan area or 500 new housing units in a metropolitan area.

**Position:** SUPP AS AM, Priority: HOT

**SB 521 (Torlakson) Local planning: Transit village plans. (A-09/02/2005)**

**Status:** 09/02/2005 - From committee with author's amendments. Read second time. Amended. Re-referred to committee.

**Current Location:** 06/13/2005-A

The Transit Village Development Planning Act of 1994 authorizes a city or county to prepare a transit village plan for a transit village development district that includes all land within not more than 1/4 mile of the exterior boundary of the parcel on which is located a transit station, as defined, and addresses specified characteristics, including a neighborhood centered around a transit station and a mix of housing types, including apartments, that is planned and designed, as specified, and any five of demonstrable public benefits that reduce traffic congestion. This bill would require a transit village plan to include a transit station and a parcel, at least 1/2 of which is within not more than 1/4 mile of the exterior boundary of the parcel on which the transit station is located or parcels located in an area equal to the area encompassed by a 1/4 mile radius from the exterior boundary of the parcel on which the station is located.

**Position:** SUPPORT, Priority: HOT

**SB 655 (Ortiz) Asbestos. (A-09/02/2005)**

**Status:** 01/19/2006 - Reconsideration granted. Placed on inactive file on request of Assembly Member Frommer.

**Current Location:** 01/19/2006-A INACTIVE FILE

Existing law requires a person who intends to offer subdivided lands within California for sale or lease to file with the Department of Real Estate an application for a public report consisting of a notice of intention that includes various statements regarding the condition of the property that may affect the use of the property. This bill would additionally require the notice of intention filed with the application for a public report to include a statement indicating that the property is within an asbestos hazard zone and to provide a specified notice.

**Position:** REVIEW AM, Priority: HOT

**SB 832 (Perata) CEQA: Infill development. (A-05/04/2005)**

**Status:** 01/23/2006 - From inactive file to third reading file.

**Current Location:** 01/23/2006-A THIRD READING

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Existing law exempts from CEQA a residential project located on an infill site within an urbanized area that meets specified criteria, including that the site of the project is not more than 4 acres in total area and the project does not contain more than 100 residential units. This bill would provide an alternative to those criteria if the site is located in a city with a population of more than 200,000 persons, the site is not more than 10 acres, and the project does not have less than 200 or more than 300 residential units, as adopted by a resolution of the city council.

**Position:** REVIEW AM, Priority: HOT

**SB 1024 (Perata) Public works and improvements: Bond measure. (A-01/26/2006)**

**Status:** 01/31/2006-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

**Current Location:** 01/31/2006-A DESK

This bill would enact the Safe Facilities, Improved Mobility, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2006 to authorize an unspecified number of state general obligation bonds for specified purposes, including the state transportation improvement program, passenger rail improvements, levee improvements, flood control, restoration of Proposition 42 transportation funds, port infrastructure and security projects, trade corridors of significance, transit security projects, grade separation projects, local bridge seismic upgrade projects, state-local partnership transportation projects, emissions reduction projects, environmental enhancement projects, transit-oriented development, and housing, regional growth, and infill development purposes, subject to voter approval.

**Position:** SUPPORT, Priority: HOT

**SB 1059 (Escutia) Electric transmission corridors. (A-05/27/2005)**

**Status:** 06/02/2005-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

**Current Location:** 06/02/2005-A 2 YEAR

This bill would authorize the State Energy Commission to designate a transmission corridor zone on its own motion or by application of a person who plans to construct a high-voltage electric transmission line within the state. The bill would provide that the designation of a transmission corridor shall serve to identify a feasible corridor in which a future transmission line can be built that is consistent with the state's needs and objectives as set forth in the strategic plan adopted by the commission. The bill would require local General Plans to be consistent with those identified transmission corridor zones.

**Position:** OPPOSE, Priority: HOT

**SB 1165 (Dutton) Transportation Bond Acts of 2006, 2008, and 2012:**

**Transportation contracting. (I-01/10/2006)**

**Status:** 01/19/2006 - To Coms. on T. & H. and E.Q.

**Current Location:** 01/19/2006-S T. & H.

This bill would enact the Governor's Congestion Reduction, Clean Air, and Trade Corridor Bond Act of 2006, the Congestion Reduction, Clean Air, and Trade Corridor Bond Act of 2008, and the Transportation Revenue Bond Act of 2012. The bill would require the Secretary of State to submit the proposed bond measures to the voters at an unspecified election in 2006, and at the November 4, 2008, and November 6, 2012, elections, respectively. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position:** REVIEW, Priority, HOT

**SB 1171 (Hollingsworth) CEQA and private employment. (I-01/13/2006)**

**Status:** 01/26/2006 - To Com. on RLS.

**Current Location:** 01/26/2006-S RLS.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to CEQA and private employment. It is a spot bill at this time.

**Position:** REVIEW, Priority: HOT

**SB 1172 (Hollingsworth) Environment: CEQA. (I-01/13/2006)**

**Status:** 01/26/2006-To Com. on RLS.

**Current Location:** 01/26/2006-S RLS.

This bill would make technical and nonsubstantive changes to the definition of "environmental impact report." It is a spot bill at this time.

**Position:** REVIEW, Priority: HOT

**SB 1177 (Hollingsworth) Housing: Density bonus. (I-01/13/2006)**

**Status:** 01/26/2006 - To Com. on T. & H.

**Current Location:** 01/26/2006-S T. & H.

The Planning and Zoning Law requires, when a developer of housing proposes a housing development within the jurisdiction of the local government, that the city, county, or city and county provide the developer with a density bonus or other incentives or concessions for the production of lower income housing units or the donation of land within the development if the developer meets certain requirements, including a requirement that the developer agrees to construct a specified percentage of the total units for specified income households or qualifying residents. This bill would delete the requirement that the developer show that the waiver or modification of development standards is necessary to make the housing units economically feasible.

**Position:** OPPOSE, Priority: HOT

**SB 1206 (Kehoe) Redevelopment. (I-01/26/2006)**

**Status:** 02/02/2006 - Re-referred to Coms. on L.GOV. and JUD.

**Current Location:** 02/02/2006-S L. GOV.

This bill would revise the definition of "predominantly urbanized" in redevelopment law and revise the conditions that characterize a blighted area. The bill would prohibit the inclusion of nonblighted parcels in a redevelopment project area for the purpose of obtaining property tax revenue from the area without substantial justification for their inclusion.

**Position:** REVIEW, Priority: HOT

**SB 1210 (Torlakson) Eminent domain. (I-01/26/2006)**

**Status:** 02/02/2006 - Re-referred to Coms. on JUD. and L.GOV.

**Current Location:** 02/02/2006-S JUD.

The California Constitution authorizes the taking or damaging of private property for a public use only when just compensation has first been paid to, or into the court for, the owner. This bill would provide that public use does not include the taking of property in order to transfer it to a nongovernmental entity for purposes of economic development or increasing tax revenues, except as specifically provided under the Community Redevelopment Law.

**Position:** REVIEW, Priority: HOT

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Reinventing Suburbia is the theme of this year's conference, and CCAPA will offer a multitude of opportunities to learn the nuts and bolts of Planning, hear from exclusive keynote speakers and attend over 75 conference sessions. Warm daytime temperatures and crisp ocean breezes will provide the perfect environment for several mobile workshops in Orange County communities. There will be plenty of networking with planners and consultants at this year's Opening Reception, CPF auction and the fabulous CCAPA Awards Dinner.

And if that's not enough to entice you to this year's conference, then don't forget to re-discover Orange County's beautiful coastline, incredible cultural museums, historic sites, the original Disneyland and, perfect Southern California weather!

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## Planner On The MOVE

Architect **Jeff Dillon, AIA**, has joined the Local Sector at RRM Design Group, San Luis Obispo.

### ***CCAPA Website User Manual***

The CCAPA Website User Manual is online at the following address:  
<http://www.insitemanager.com/InSiteManagerManual/>

Please bookmark this link for future reference.

All sections, with the exception of Events are complete. Events Help will be online in the coming weeks.

We appreciate any feedback on ease of use, additional helpful sections, errors or inconsistencies.



## San Diego Association of Governments Launches New Website

San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) has redesigned its website to quickly link visitors to information, data, and services. The new design features graphics and images to drive visitors to the most frequently accessed areas of the site: programs, meetings, and data.

From information about TransNet, the managed lanes project on Interstate 15, and the Mid-Coast Trolley extension to carpooling and vanpooling, binational collaboration, and the regional economy — the SANDAG Website provides the latest news that affects the lives of San Diego County's residents.

Each month, more than 20,000 users visit the SANDAG Website to access the agency's extensive list of free, downloadable publications, including the Regional Comprehensive Plan and Regional Transportation Plan. Demographic and economic data are easily obtained through the user-friendly Profile Warehouse and Data Warehouse Applications; while interactive maps provide a great way to create a customized view of the region.

## San Diego Regional Comprehensive Plan Receives State Funding

Three members of Governor Schwarzenegger's Cabinet — Sunne McPeak, Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing; Alan Berson, Secretary of Education; and Mike Chrisman, Secretary for Resources — recently presented SANDAG with a check for \$409,000 to implement the innovative Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP).

The RCP is the strategic planning blueprint for the San Diego region. It provides a context in which local and regional decisions can be made that foster a healthy environment, a vibrant economy, and a high quality of life for all residents. In doing so, the RCP balances regional population, housing, and employment growth with habitat preservation, agriculture, open space, and infrastructure needs. The intended result is a sustainable future — one with more choices and opportunities for all residents.

## Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. Named to FORTUNE Magazine's List of 100 Best Companies to Work For

For the second year, Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. has been named to *FORTUNE* magazine's list of the 100 Best Companies to Work For, appearing at number 20.

The employee-owned engineering and planning firm has nearly 2,000 staff in 54 offices in 14 states. It expects to hire more than 800 new staff in 2006 to meet its aggressive growth plans.

Details of the most recent listing appear on the *FORTUNE* website and appeared in the January 23 issue of *FORTUNE*.

Kimley-Horn is an entrepreneurially-oriented firm organized around its "practice builders"—essentially in-house entrepreneurs who build a business, or practice, under the umbrella of the larger firm. Practice builders have the freedom to build even multi-million dollar enterprises without the administrative responsibilities of running their own companies.

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## City of Turlock, CA

### Community Planning Manager

Salary range: \$6,685 to \$8,126 with an excellent benefit package.

The City of Turlock, (67,000), is located in Stanislaus County at the north end of the San Joaquin Valley. Turlock is a family-oriented community with a quality of life considered to be one of the best in the Central Valley. Turlock is also home to California State University, Stanislaus and strategically located between the California coast and Sierra Nevada Mountains, each about a two-hour drive from the city. The new University of California at Merced is located less than an hour's drive to the south. Turlock has earned a reputation for its commitment to planning and high quality development.

The City is seeking a Community Planning Manager to lead the Planning Division of the Community Development Services Department. The Planning Manager manages a staff of four and serves as the principal staff to the Planning Commission. The Planning Manager reports directly to the Community Development Director and works closely with the City Council, City Manager, City Attorney, and other members of the city's Executive Team. The city is looking for a leader with good management and communication skills, and broad planning experience in all aspects of planning, including: policy development and implementation; General Plan and zoning administration; design review; and environmental review. The successful candidate must be able to work effectively with other departments and outside agencies and groups. The successful candidate must also have a commitment to high quality customer service.

The position requires a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in planning or a related field, or equivalent experience and education. Five years of progressively responsible experience with at least some management experience preferred. Must have a valid California driver's license. For more information and to obtain an application packet, contact Administrative Services, 156 S. Broadway, Turlock, CA 95380, 209.668.5542, ext. 1150 or [www.cityofturlock.org](http://www.cityofturlock.org). EOE/AA Final filing date is May 10, 2006.

## City of Lincoln, CA

### ASSISTANT and ASSOCIATE PLANNER

(Potential salary: \$3704-\$4727/mo. for Asst. and \$4502-\$5745/mo. for Associate Position has excellent benefits.) City of Lincoln's Community Development Department is recruiting for an Assistant Planner and an Associate Planner. The City of Lincoln is located in the Sacramento Valley, 25 miles north of Sacramento. We are currently a relatively small town but are recognized as one of the fastest growing communities in the State of California. We are looking for the most qualified candidate to fill the positions of Assistant Planner and Associate Planner, requiring one year of professional planning experience (public sector, preferred) for the Assistant Planner and three years of increasingly responsible professional planning experience (public sector, preferred) for the Associate Planner. A bachelor's degree in urban or regional planning or a related field is required for each position. A master's degree in urban or regional planning may be substituted for up to one year of required experience. All applications due by: 5:00 p.m. on May 5, 2006. Applications/full job descriptions available at: 640 5th St., Lincoln, CA or at: [www.ci.lincoln.ca.us](http://www.ci.lincoln.ca.us) EOE/M/F.

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