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Dear San Diego County Officials:

The San Dieguito Planning Group is greatly concerned that with the recent repeal of Policy I-59 and revision of Policy I-63 that this and all other Planning and Sponsor Groups in the County will have a significantly reduced role in **PLANNING** major developments in our communities. Through previously mandated pre-application meetings for Specific Plans and review of preliminary applications for General Plan Amendments, our groups have historically been able to shape how our communities have ultimately been laid out to retain community character while achieving development goals.

It is not clear to us that General Plan 2020 will afford Planning and Sponsor Groups any **PLANNING** responsibilities similar to those previously afforded by I-59/63. Only through implementing actions by the Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission and DPLU can our revised duties be clearly defined. It is clear that our duties as defined in Policy I-1 have been reduced to the review of discretionary regulatory projects. This is not the scope of the office for which we volunteered or were elected to perform.

In order to clarify our revised role it is requested that the Director of DPLU meet with us at our earliest mutually convenient time and

describe the findings upon which staff recommendations were based, and to define what specific duties and responsibilities we still have in **PLANNING** our communities. The SDPG unanimously supported this letter at its June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Sincerely,

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Cc: San Diego County Planning and Sponsor Groups

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