



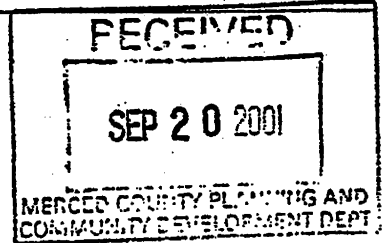
BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION
OF CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

LETTER BK



EDWARD P. TACZANOWSKY, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

SEP 21 2001



September 19, 2001

Merced Planning Commission
2222 M Street
Merced, CA 95340

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

As I testified before you today, September 19, 2001, I am enclosing the letter I referenced as the official position of the BIA Merced Chapter on UC Merced Mitigation Measure for Farmland Preservation.

BK-1

Please don't hesitate if you have any questions on our position or would like to discuss our unqualified support for the project.

Sincerely,

Edward P. Taczanowsky
Executive Vice President

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**BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION
OF CENTRAL CALIFORNIA**



EDWARD P. TACZANOWSKY, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

June 29, 2001

Merced County Board of Supervisor, and
Community Plan Advisory Committee
2222 M Street
Merced, CA 95340

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors and CPAC Advisory Committee

I have just reviewed your June 21st meeting minutes and would like to make several corrections. My name is Taczanowsky with a "T" and not Maczanowsky with an "M". I am referred to as a member of the public, I am not, I am the lobbyist for the Single Family Housing Industry in Merced and Stanislaus Counties, otherwise known as the Building Industry Association of Central California. In Item 3 - Overview of Community Planning Efforts, it states a representative of the Business Industry Association said that ... Again, we are the Building Industry Association and not the Business Industry Association. Further down it states "One person said that he did not see the nexus association..." That one person is stating the position of the Building Industry Association, a community trade association that is over 300 members strong and not one person. I would like that to be corrected please.

BK-2

I am enclosing for your consideration a legal brief prepared by Nick Cammarota, Esq., Legal Counsel for California Building Industry Association, on what he believes to be the legality of the proposal you are considering.

BK-3

Additionally, I am attaching an article by Dr. Alvin D. Sokolow, who is regarded as an expert on agricultural land use in the state and I would ask you to closely read his opinion on the loss of 2/10 of 1 percent of viable farmland during the decade ending in 1998.

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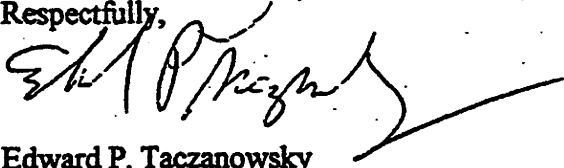
I would hope in the future that the CPAC Committee would take into consideration both attachments that I have provided. This item is not of local interest, but of statewide interest to our association and the building industry in general.

BK-5

I look forward to working with you in the future and would ask you to keep in mind the 5th Amendment of the U. S. Constitution when making land use decision on private property.

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Respectfully,



Edward P. Taczanowsky
Executive Vice President

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**COMMENT LETTER BK: EDWARD P. TACZANOWSKY
BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION OF
CENTRAL CALIFORNIA**

Response to Comment BK-1:

The comment is noted. Please see Responses to Comments BK-2 through BK-5 regarding the commentor's previous letter.

Response to Comment BK-2:

The comment was forwarded to County staff for correction of the meeting notes. The June 21, 2001, meeting notes were revised accordingly. The comment does not address the Draft EIR, so no further response is necessary.

Response to Comment BK-3:

The legal brief referenced in the comment was not attached to the UCP EIR comment letter received by the County, so no response is possible.

Response to Comment BK-4:

The article referenced in the comment was not attached to the UCP EIR comment letter received by the County, so no response is possible.

Response to Comment BK-5:

The comment does not address the accuracy of the EIR; however, the comment's support is noted and will be made available to the decision makers for their consideration prior to certification of the EIR.