



**WEEKLY UPDATE
OCTOBER 11 - 17, 2020**

THIS WEEK

NO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

**LAFCO ANTICIPATES NEW APPLICATIONS
ADDITIONS TO CITIES AND DETACHMENTS FROM WATER DISTRICTS**

LAST WEEK

**COASTAL COMMISSION, CAL RESOURCES SCTRY,
CAL FISH AND WILDLIFE DIRECTOR, & NEW CAL
PARKS DIRECTOR TO ADOPT JOINT PLAN WHICH
WILL BAN OCEANO DUNES OFF-ROAD RIDING AND
CAMPING AT FEBRUARY 2021 MEETING
COASTAL COMMISSIONERS CONDEMN OFF-ROADERS' CONFEDERATE
FLAGS AS REVOLTING, HATE SPEECH, & INTIMIDATING
SPECIES PROTECTION WILL BE THE LEVERAGE**

**LITE BOS MEETING
CANNABIS REGS CLEANED UP**

**SLOCOG
REVIEW OF MAJOR LONG TERM FUNDING GAPS TURNS INTO PLEA FOR
NEW SALES TAX EFFORT**

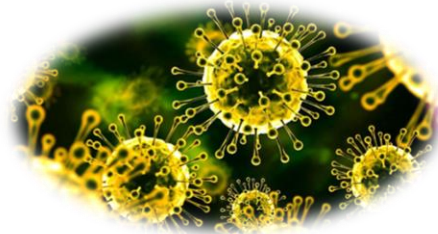
**CONSULTANT TO DIAGNOSE EMPLOYEES' "UNCONSCIOUS RACIAL BIAS"
ARE EMPLOYERS ALLOWED TO PROBE ITS EMPLOYEES' UNCONSCIOUSNESS?
COMMISSIONERS PLEDGED TO SUBJECT THEMSELVES
WILL THEY CONFESS?**

**PLAN COMMISSION PUTS GREEN BELT ON LOS OSOS
LOS OSOS PLAN RECOMMENDED AND SENT TO BOS
SOME ENVIRO RESTRICTIONS CLARIFIED**

**COLAB IN DEPTH
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**SAVING CALIFORNIA WILL SAVE AMERICA
BY EDWARD RING**

**COVID 19 ENGINEERED BIO-WEAPON?
THE LONG-AWAITED SECOND REPORT FROM DR. LI-MENG YAN – THE
CHINESE WHISTLEBLOWER WHO CAME TO THE UNITED STATES TO
EXPOSE THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY'S VIRUS – HAS BEEN RELEASED.
AND IT'S EXPLOSIVE**



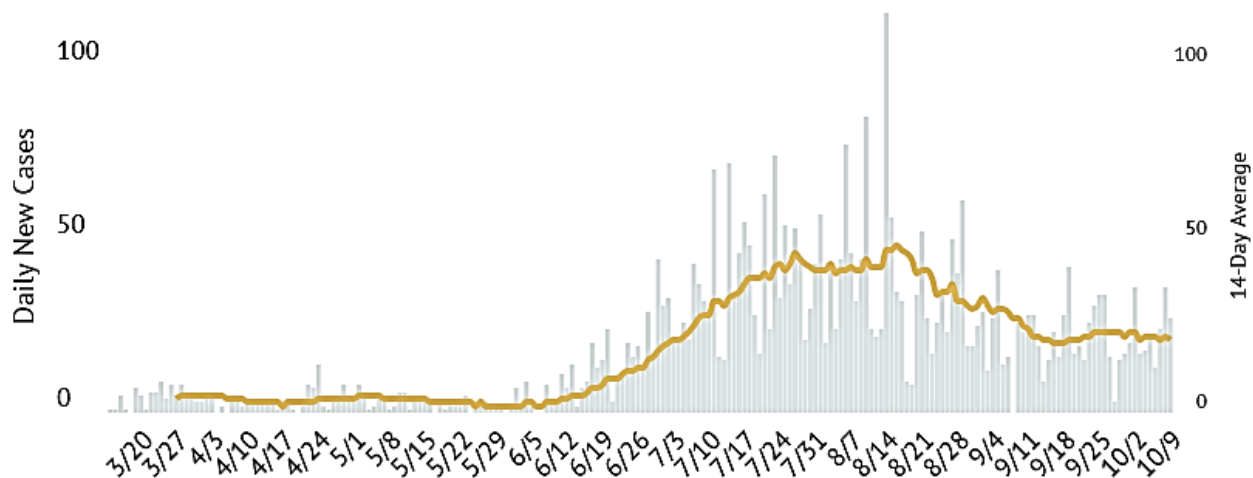
THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

No Board of Supervisors Meeting on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 (Not Scheduled)

The next meeting is set for Tuesday, October 20, 2020.

COVID Update

Daily New Cases (and 14-Day Average)



Currently Hospitalized

3 (of whom 0 are in ICU)

See the related COVID article of page 20 in the COLAB In Depth section.

San Luis Obispo County Local Agency Formation Commission Meeting of Thursday, October 15, 2020 (Scheduled)

Item B-2: Status Report of Submitted Proposals and Upcoming Proposal Activities. The staff provided an informative list of upcoming applications. Some of the more significant include:

Shandon San Juan Water District Detachment. Additional property owners have Inquired about detaching from the water district. One landowner has 1,200 acres, another Owns 3,357 acres, and others are smaller acreages. LAFCO would typically consolidate Applicants under one action for detachment for a broader perspective ease and reduced processing costs. There is no anticipated application date at this time.

Dana Reserve Annexation. This proposal would annex 288 acres located within the Sphere of Influence and immediately north of the Urban Reserve Line of Nipomo Community Services District (NCSD). The property is bounded by Willow Road and Cherokee Place to the north, existing residential ranchettes to the south and west, and U.S. Highway 101 to the east. The landowners have filed a subdivision application with the County for a 42-lot multi-use subdivision and corresponding Specific Plan for approximately 1,270 single and multi-family homes including residential, commercial, and recreation/open space, among others. This future application would likely take a year or two before coming to LAFCO.

Froom Ranch Annexation. This proposal would annex 110 acres located immediately west of Los Osos Valley Road between U.S. Highway 101 and the Irish Hills Plaza outside the City limits of San Luis Obispo. The City Council adopted a Specific Plan and Environmental Impact Report on September 15, 2020. The Commission held a Study Session regarding this Life Plan Community on March 19, 2020, and gave an update on May 21, 2020.

Gateway SOI Amendment/Annexation. This proposal is expected to be submitted on October 7, 2020, by the City of Paso Robles to annex 170 acres located in the vicinity of the northwest corner of Highway 101 and Highway 46 West and outside the City limits of Paso Robles.

**Early Notice Agricultural Water Discharge Order Meeting of October 22-23, 2020, (Scheduled)
See page 25 in the COLAB Notice Section below for details.**

The 2-day session will present the ever more strict and costly rules impacting irrigators.



Central Coast Community Energy Update (Recent Developments – Let the Patronage Roll)

1. The powerful new government entity reports actions as follows in the San Luis Obispo/Santa Barbara Counties region:

The former Monterey Bay Community Power officially became Central Coast Community Energy (CCCE) on September 4, 2020.

To support the transition, staff launched a media campaign and is running radio spots, print advertisements, social media infographics, and a video to help inform our community about the name change. Internally, staff is working on updating all collateral, event and outreach supplies, and office signage. Finally, staff is working to update State regulators, registries, and contractual counterparties to ensure a smooth transition to Central Coast Community Energy.

CCCE will expand from 5,132 to 7,935 square miles in 2021. In Pacific Gas & Electric service territory, we will enroll approximately 120,847 customers comprising of 15,574 commercial, 2,133 agriculture, and 103,140 residential customers. This will be an increase of approximately 1,400 GWh of eligible load.

Within the Southern California Edison service territory, including the cities of Carpinteria, Goleta, and the southern portion of unincorporated Santa Barbara County, we will enroll 40,000 customers, of which 5,400 are commercial, 660 are agriculture, and 33,940 are residential customers. Adding an additional 794 GWh of eligible load.

Oswaldo Martinez joined MBCP as the Energy Public Engagement Associate serving customers within San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara counties on July 20, 2020. A 2017 graduate of University of California, Irvine, Oswaldo served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Nicaragua, a CivicSpark Fellow at Eastern Municipal Water District, and worked at the Upper Salinas-Las Tablas Resource Conservation District in San Luis Obispo County.

2. To solidify its power and generate public support CCCE intends to use a portion of its revenues to fund community organizations, civic groups, economic development groups, and trade associations within its now extensive service area (Monterey, San Benito, San Luis Obispo, and Santa Barbara counties. The italicized excerpts from the Authority’s plan describe a portion of the activities which are planned to solidify its position.

Some of the areas in which they will make direct financial contributions are highlighted in yellow below:

□ *Goal: to raise agency awareness/visibility around a specific CCCE service, program or campaign. To directly connect through effective use of all technologies, with customers, leverage partnership opportunities and provide education related to key agency goals.*

□ *Strategy:*

o Sponsor key community events that support JPA goals

o Leverage strategic events to increase agency awareness

o Engage customers regarding CCCE Service Offerings and Energy Programs

o Leverage promotional opportunities across a variety of media channels

o Connect CAC members with relevant community events

□ *Tactics:*

o Support 5 (1 per county) annual Earth Day Events (sponsor/no staff attendance)

o Support 5 annual Chamber of Commerce Events (sponsor/no staff attendance)

o Support 5 (1 per county) community events (sponsor/attend)

o Host 6 Energy Program Workshops focused on electrification and resiliency – virtual and/or live (sponsor/attend)

o Sponsor 1 annual Climate Summit (sponsor/attend)

o Support 3 regional economic summits (sponsor/attend)

Memberships

CCCE will pay dues to organizations that support it and its programs:

Definition

Memberships are defined as a type of donation by CCCE through which CCCE joins a local business, economic or regional organization to support CCCE’s continued engagement in the Central Coast Region.

What is the role of Memberships for CCCE?

CCCE will evaluate and join local and regional business, economic and environmental groups which allow CCCE the opportunity to further engage and connect with key industries and community stakeholders. Building relationships with membership organizations becomes an extension of CCCE’s outreach efforts and provides CCCE with valuable access to its expansive

service area across five counties.

□ **Strategy:**

- o Join relevant chambers of commerce, business councils, farm bureaus, vintners associations, convention and visitors bureaus, grower/shipper associations, and economic development partnership*
- o Join regional climate action planning organizations.*
- o Seek presentation and panel speaking opportunities through memberships*
- o Leverage partnership opportunities to expand CCCE education and reach*
- o Support key strategic annual chamber events*

□ **Tactics:**

- o Participate in strategic monthly, quarterly and annual meetings as time and staffing allow to provide CCCE updates*
- o Distribute periodic updates to membership organizations to increase CCCE visibility via membership newsletters and social media platforms*
- o Distribute press releases relevant to membership organizations network*
- o Support Regional Economic Development Summits (sponsor/attend)*
- o Support Chamber of Commerce Business Expos (sponsor/attend)*

Underserved/Disadvantaged Communities

Underserved & Disadvantaged communities are defined as communities of minority populations or individuals who experience or have experienced economic, race, educational, health or environmental burdens.

□ **Goal:** *to effectively engage with customers in underrepresented and disadvantaged communities to provide clear and concise information to provide further value*

□ **Strategy:**

- o Provide information that relates to customers in working-class communities of color concerned about immigration issues and the impacts of climate change on their jobs.*
- o Identify methods and opportunities to share information with those who don't have access to internet or technology to engage*
- o Connect customers to local and state resources that allow access to energy efficiency and energy discount programs.*

□ **Tactics:**

- o Host quarterly webinar for Spanish-speaking customers*
- o Support Social Services Roundtables*
- o Network with local NGOs to create partnership opportunities for combined customer education*
- o Support Farmworker Resource Fairs*
- o Target education to "hot spot" opt-out locations of Support annual bi-monthly CCCE Farmworker Field Promotion*
- o Attend monthly CINSE, Impact Monterey and SCORE roundtables*
- o Attend 8 STEM Cafes*
- o Partner with the Consulate General of Mexico (S.J., CA) on 1 Resource Fair that*

supports the immigrant farmworker population

o Support 2 annual Salinas Valley events for farmworkers (sponsor/no staff attendance)

The FY 2020-21 Budget contains an allotment of \$1.3 million in funds for promotional and communications activities.

Gift of Public Funds: Unlike the private sector utilities, the CCCE is a government agency and may not contribute public dollars to other entities without receiving some service of equal value in return. For example, when SLO County grants \$300,000 to the economic development not-for-profit REACH, it is actually contracting for a specific set of economic development services in exchange. The County grants \$2 million per year to a number of health serving, social services, youth serving, and similar not-for-profit agencies. The agreements specify the services to be provided. CCCE's plans as stated here appear to be something quite different. How does CCCE joining the SLO Chamber of Commerce, the SLO Earth Day Committee, or Black Lives Matter benefit its ratepayers and avoid the gift of public funds prohibition on government agencies?

If CCCE is sponsoring chamber events, paying membership dues, sponsoring earth day celebrations, and so forth, just what services are being provided to the public? Wouldn't many of these contributions constitute illegal gifts of public funds? It's not as if they are putting in electric vehicle charging stations or a peaker plant (small temporary generating facility).

As to the latter type contributions, once they get rolling the patronage impact will be vast. Imagine how all sorts of engineering firms, consultants, contactors, and others will benefit as they spread the largesse around.

This may take a little more time than they thought, as the COVID lockdown has negatively impacted revenues, accelerated the amount to unpaid electric bills (they have also granted deferrals), and forced them to use some reserves. Meanwhile the imputed cost of using the embedded PG&E infrastructure (which was built by the private sector) is eating them alive. The amortization of the huge capital costs for which CCCE did not pay, which is very expensive and is captured in the power charge indifference adjustment (PCIA),¹ are escalating their costs.

LAST WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Board of Supervisors Meeting of Tuesday, October 8, 2020 (Completed)

In General: The meeting agenda was light and did not contain major policy items. Most of the Board business involved receiving State grants, issuing grants to County not-for-profit contractors, approving Public Works contracts, and recognitions to various civic groups.

¹Correction that ensures that customers who purchase electricity generation from non-PG&E suppliers pay their share of the generation costs required to serve them. The **adjustment** includes costs prior to the customers' departures, unless they are otherwise exempt.

Item 29 - Hearing to consider a request by the County of San Luis Obispo for an amendment to the Land Use Ordinance and Coastal Zone Land Use Ordinance, Title 22, and Title 23 of the County Code (LRP2019-00005. LRP2019-00006) as applicable to Cannabis Activities. This item is a technical cleanup of the cannabis regulatory land use ordinances. The effort is to eliminate redundancies and internal conflicts, reduce unnecessary provisions, and attempt to improve the processing.

San Luis Obispo County Council of Governments (SLOCOG) Meeting of Thursday, October 8, 2020 (Completed)

Item A-1 -- 2023 Regional Transportation Plan: Background, Requirements and Schedule. (ROLL CALL - REVIEW AND COMMENT; SUPPORT DIRECTION). The real purpose of the item was displayed as Board members, particularly Councilmember Paulding and Supervisor Gibson, used it to raise the idea of requesting the voters to approve a new sales tax measure to fill the gaps. The staff asserted that the County was not competitive for State funds because it is not a “self-help county.” A long litany of projects which would have to be delayed or abandoned was presented.

COLAB pointed out that there are already endless tax increases that have been imposed or are about to be imposed:

1. The permanentization of the “ temporary income tax hikes” which were to get us through the 2009-10 recession.
2. The SB-1 fuel tax increases of 3 years ago.
3. Proposed city sales/TOT tax increases in 6 of the 7 county cities
4. The November Prop 15 ballot measure attack on Proposition 13 would increase property taxes by \$12 billion and growing.
5. Fee and exactions that keep growing relentlessly.
6. Democratic Presidential candidate Biden’s proposed income tax increases. (Note when he says it only affects people making over \$400,000, it will actually bite down into the tax tables mathematically and will also expand the alternative minimum tax and thus affect those making \$100,000 or more.)

Background: The planning goes on endlessly. They just completed the overall plan and are now ready to set up the next cycle. This is a Full Employment Act for planners, engineers, and consultants.

SUMMARY

The regional transportation plan (RAP) is a mandated 20-plus year transportation plan that must be updated every four years in compliance with state and federal law. The RAP is a long-term blueprint for achieving a coordinated and balanced regional transportation system. The plan must be action-oriented, fiscally constrained, and pragmatic—considering short-, mid-, and long-term periods. Each element must also be balanced with the other elements in mind, so that the entire plan works harmoniously.

Staff will develop key foundational components for the RAP in FY 2020/21, including the 2021 Public Participation Plan, the 2050 Regional Growth Forecast Update, 2023 RAP survey tools, and financial projections. Staff intends to maintain and build upon progress made in prior SLOCOG Trips. This staff report defines purposes and benefits of the RAP and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SC'S), offers a glimpse of new and continuing efforts and challenges, and sets a general schedule for major efforts and milestones. Adoption of the 2023 RAP is expected in spring 2023.

Historical Look: The 2019 RAP Funding Gap

Provided as a historical perspective on the transportation-funding gap.

The 2019 RAP was adopted in June 2019 (25-year plan) and identified a funding level of \$3B (escalated) leaving a \$2B funding gap for needed, desirable, and requested projects and improvements. This includes:

- Highway Improvements. (38% fundable): Over \$2.1B in needs identified; \$820M identified as available funding (i.e., 46E improvements, US 101 Expressway conversions, operations and interchange improvements)*
- Major local route improvements (14% fundable) Requested projects totaled \$500M; \$70M expected to be available.*
- Local Road maintenance (52%): Over \$1B expected to be available to maintain existing pavement at the 2018 levels; to improve pavement conditions to targets an additional \$30M/yr. required.*
- Transit (\$775M available), and Maximizing System Efficiency (\$77M available): No estimations were included to identify the additional funding required for optimal systems.*
- Active Transportation (38% fundable): Requested projects totaled nearly \$500M; \$188M expected to be available.*

The areas highlighted in yellow will become the basis for a sales tax increase push at some point in the future. Meanwhile and as noted in the announcements section at the back of this Update, most of the cities are already going for a sales tax in November, as they are broke.

Only you, the voter, can stop the dance.

Items A-4, C-1, and D- 4 Immediately Below: These items were each presented with a PowerPoint (note SLOCOG's PowerPoints are very nice). The staff talks, the Board members glaze over, and some may secretly read e-mails, text, shop on line, or otherwise escape. The members did take time to show their Sacramento lobbyist gushing approval and thanks. He is apparently pretty effective with the powerful State Transportation Commission.

Item A-4 - State Legislative Update Memo and Governor's Transportation Action Plan (ROLL CALL – a) RECEIVE STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE MEMO; b) FORMALIZE AND SUBMIT CONCERNS ON ACTION PLAN). This was a report on various plans by the State to change the way Californians travel by limiting vehicle travel, promoting rail, adding a vehicle miles travel tax at some point in the future, and all the other aspects of stack-and-pack living.

Item C-1 - Year-to-date Financial Report and Overall Work Program (OWL) and Budget Amendment No. 1. The COVID lockdown does not seem to have negatively impacted the revenues for this budget so far.

Item D-4 - Year-End Legislative Report (APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION). The report concerns the status of bills approved and signed by the Governor and those awaiting his action. Most of them appear to be arcana related to grant requirements and future planning. More funds were appropriated for electric charging stations and transit.

Item E-3 - Equity Review & Assessment (APPROVE THE EQUITY ASSESSMENT SCOPE OF WORK AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO APPROVE A CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$15K). The Board unanimously approved this organizational self-abasement to political correctness on the consent calendar. But not before Supervisor John Peaching asked if as leaders, the SLOCOG Board should not impose the program on their staff unless they are willing to submit to it themselves. You could have heard a pin drop. They had no way out and had to agree.

Some consequences:

1. The training and group confessionals will now have to be public because the SLOCOG Board is a Brown Act body. We can't wait for Mayor Harmon and some of the other left progressives to spill their guilt.
2. We should get to hear which forms of unconscious racism afflict the various elected members. Obviously everyone must be guilty – no one is really free of sin. Right?
3. Or the whole thing will now get sent to the proverbial woods and die a quiet death.

Background: This would appear to be a proposed project in response to Black Lives Matter. The work program states:

1.0 Task: RFP and Hire Consultant

- a. Distribute Request for Proposals for Consultant Services*
- b. Review proposals and select consultant*
- c. Finalize Contract and Scope of Work with consultant*

2.0 Task: Equity Analysis (Scope of Work)

- a. The consultant will work with SLOCOG staff and elected officials to standardize the meaning of equity at SLOCOG. [Deliverables: meeting with SLOCOG staff, meeting with a subcommittee of elected officials, definition of equity]*
- b. The consultant will provide unconscious bias training to SLOCOG staff. [Deliverables: unconscious bias training]*
- c. The consultant will review the following documents and processes, indicate any equity barriers, and*

This seems to smack of re-education camps in Communist China, Cambodia, etc. What right does an employer have to probe my unconscious? Will everyone sit in a circle and confess?

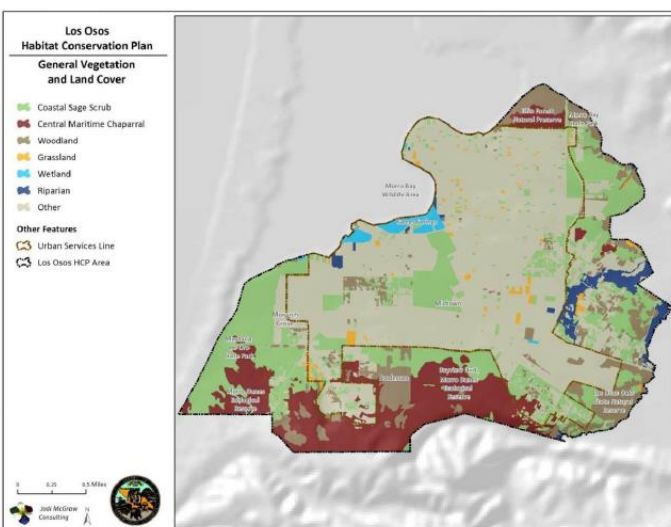
Item 4 - Continued hearing to consider a request by the County of San Luis Obispo to: 1) amend and update the Estero Area Plan, Part II of the Land Use and Circulation Element of the County General Plan and Local Coastal Plan, by updating the Los Osos Urban Area, including goals, policies, programs, and planning areas standards, for the area within and outside of the existing Los Osos Urban Reserve Line, known as the ‘Los Osos Community Plan’, and making other related changes to the Area Plan. The Commission, on a unanimous vote, made adjustments to the Plan and is sending it forward with a recommendation that it be adopted by the Board of Supervisors.

As noted below in the background section, the Commission was concerned about the environmentally restrictive aspects of the Plan and asked good questions and directed some adjustments. In the end they adopted an environmental approach which was less severe than the one that had originally been proposed by staff.

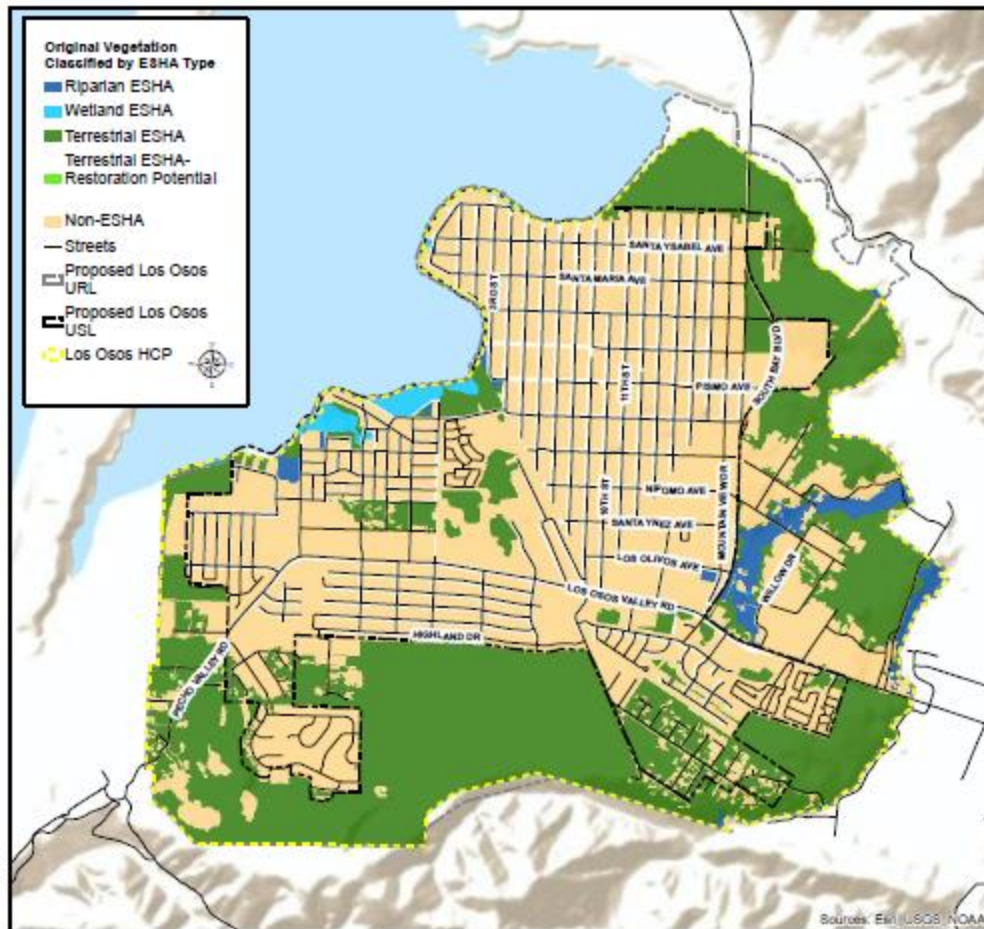
This was the third hearing by the Commission on the proposed Plan as it worked through its examination and questions.

Background: During the August 13, 2020 hearing the Commission requested additional maps and had specific questions primarily related to areas displayed as Environmentally Sensitive Habitat (ESH) and areas that could be restricted by the separate Habitat Conservation Plan. The Commission recognized that once a particular property is included in these designations on the Plan, the owners are screwed if they ever want to develop it. The staff is reporting back on the following:

- *Provide a series of maps leading to the current Environmentally Sensitive Habitat (EISHA) Map*
- *Describe how the HCP would help landowners develop their parcels*
- *Clarify relationship between overlapping plans (e.g. the LOP and LOCO).*
- *Describe the difference between mapped versus unmapped EISHA.*
- *Provide written responses to the comments raised by Mr. Krebs.*
- *Correct identified issued with the Circulation Element chapter of the LOP.*



All the areas in dark red, light green, blue, orange, and dark grey could be off limits. There is a series of detailed maps, which we don't have room for here. They amplify this general map and can be seen at the link: <https://agenda.slocounty.ca.gov/iip/sanluisobispo/agendaitem/details/12442> When it opens, click on the icon map series. There are other attachments that are of interest as well. For example:



LOS OSOS ISLAND?

There is a heck of a lot of ESH.

Separately, the Habitat Conservation Plan locks out more areas:

The Los Osos Habitat Conservation Plan (LOCO) is a comprehensive plan for avoiding, minimizing, and mitigating the impacts of community buildout on protected federal and State plants and animal species.

The community of Los Osos is situated on an ancient dune complex. The sandy soil, known as the Bay wood fine sand, combine with the region's maritime climate to create a mosaic of natural communities including coastal sage scrub, central maritime chaparral, and coast live oak woodland, that support unique and diverse assemblages of plants and animals, including four narrowly endemic species:

- *Morro Bay kangaroo rat (Dipody's Hermann morroensis)*;
- *Morro shoulder band snail (Helminthoglypta walkeriana)*;
- *Morro Manzanita (Arctostaphylos morroensis)*; and
- *Indian Knob mountainbalm (Eriodictyon altissimum)*.

The staff lists “benefits” to landowners as follows:

Benefits to Landowners?

Currently project proponents in Los Osos are processing individual habitat conservation plans and incidental take permits (outside of the sewer service area). Implementation of the LOHCP, will maximize the benefits of conservation measures for covered species and eliminate potentially expensive and time consuming efforts associated with processing individual incidental take permits for each project within the proposed Habitat Conservation Plan area. Adoption of the Habitat Conservation Plan and issuance of the incidental take permit(s) will facilitate a streamlined permitting process and also provide a cohesive conservation strategy managed by one entity with a single funding source.

It appears that when all the plans are combined, Los Osos becomes an island. Commissioner Multari called it a green belt. If your property is outside the urban boundary line, the greenbelt might hang you.

California Coastal Commission Meeting of Thursday, October 8, 2020 (Completed)

Item 6 - State Parks' Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area (ODSVRA) Public Works Plan (PWP) Update. The Commission heard a staff report (see the Background below for the key points). Next they were briefed by a Deputy Secretary of Natural Resources who outlined a process by which the State Parks Department, State Fish and Wildlife Department, and the Natural Recourse's office will (with Commission staff looking over their collective shoulders) craft a plan to cure the Coastal Commission's problems with the ODSVRA. There was considerable rhetoric about how times have changed, natural reduces are paramount, etc. The new Plan will be developed by December 2020, and the Commission will take it up at its February meeting.

They were then introduced to the new State Parks Director who was appointed in September. He is a former Federal Parks Official with a long history of civic and environmental participation in California. He has been involved in civic and political affairs in Marin. He has also led a UC Modesto Sierra Preservation Institute. The prior Director was appointed in 2014. She was a budget type. No one will explain her sudden departure. Apparently, a number of the Coastal Commissioners know Director Armando Quintero from past interactions and were very happy with the appointment. The new Commissioner pledged to work hard on the new Plan. Quintero said he would work to balance recreation vs. preservation.

The Director of Fish and Wildlife then took the floor and stated that the Plan would be a Bio-Diversity Plan developed working with Parks. “It will not be a regulatory permit but something much bigger,” he stated.

It would appear that they are heading for a plan which bans off-road vehicles from the Park, ends riding, and would limit camping to a new campground for street legal vehicles only. Species protection will be the driving force. The monarch butterfly was mentioned as a possible inclusion into the endangered species list.

Commissioners expressed “Disgust” with a portion of the off-road riding advocates:

Several of the Commissioners took time out to say they were “revolted” by the display of Confederate Flags by some riders. They stated that such displays “constitute hate speech and intimidation.”



Background: There is a fairly convoluted history here. The Cliff’s Notes version goes like this:

1. The Commission was scheduled to review on October 8th a revised State Parks Plan (called the Public Works Plan –“PWP” because it includes physical and biological structures designed to reduce the dust) for reducing the dust alleged to be caused by off-road vehicle riding and camping in the Dunes Park. This in and of itself was the result of a long protracted development of a plan under the auspices of the San Luis Obispo County APCD. After a series of hearings the Coastal Commission determined to get involved. It holds the ultimate power because it issued the original permit governing the State Parks riding area.
2. Back in 2017 the Commission directly intervened and commanded State Parks to “consider” including 15 staff-recommended provisions in the PWP Plan. State Parks agreed to consider them.
3. Coastal Commission staff has determined that the Plan is not ready or suitable for review by the Commission at this point. Additionally, the State Parks Director, who was key figure in the issue, has been replaced. The new Director has requested time to get up to speed. Simultaneously, the State Secretary for Natural Resources (Wade Crowfoot),² who is the Governor’s Viceroy over parks,

²Crowfoot once served as West Coast Director of the Environmental Defense Fund.

forests, environmental agencies, etc., has become directly involved in the issue. This signals that the Governor is directly involved.

4. Commission staff now asserts that State Parks did not consider and is in fact refusing to consider the provisions:

Following the July 2019 Commission action, staff from both agencies continued to meet and discuss PWP progress. Importantly, in those conversations State Parks staff was clear that it did not intend to submit a PWP that would alter OHV use intensities, and certainly not one that would look to transition the Park away from OHV uses. On the contrary, it was clear from these conversations that State Parks intended to continue uses and intensities as it had in the past. Ultimately, and as reflected in State Parks' draft Habitat Conservation Plan (DHCP) and supporting draft environmental impact report (DEIR, both released on February 24, 2020), State Parks was instead planning on expanding OHV activities and intensities of use. In doing so, State Parks was pursuing changes that were actually the opposite of what the Commission had directed Parks to pursue (e.g., the DHCP proposed to increase OHV riding area, to reduce the size of the southern enclosure, to leave the enclosure seasonal as opposed to permanent, to continue to allow Arroyo Grande Creek crossings and night riding, etc.). In short, it appeared that the measures identified as part of the DHCP/DEIR provided a preview of what could be expected to be included in the PWP.

Commission staff sent comments to State Parks on the DHCP/DEIR identifying these and other problematic issues on May 29, 2020, importantly as they related to PWP development, and continued to meet and discuss same with State Parks staff. Unfortunately, State Parks had not yet been able to provide any draft of its PWP sections for staff-to-staff consultation, and thus these discussions were at a fairly general level. Even so, it remained – and remains – clear to Commission staff that the two staffs did not share the same ideas about what would be a Coastal Act- and LCP-consistent future at ODSVRA, and equally clear that the draft PWP was unlikely to reflect the short or long term measures recommended and required by the Commission in July of 2019. Nonetheless, and critically, the two staffs continued to work towards meeting what the Commission had required and State Parks had committed to, namely a hearing on the PWP in summer 2020 that would allow the Commission to deliberate and decide whether the PWP was consistent or not with the LCP, as required by the Coastal Act.

At the last PWP update in July 2020, staff reported to the Commission that Commission and State Parks staffs had agreed on a tentative schedule for the release of the proposed PWP, as well as a tentative hearing date for Commission consideration.² Specifically, State Parks staff indicated that drafts of proposed PWP sections would be shared with Commission staff starting in July, and that a draft PWP would be released for public review the week of August 31st.³ Commission staff would then prepare a staff report and recommendation to be distributed on September 18th for Commission consideration at the Commission's October 2020 meeting, and specifically for a separate special meeting on October 15, 2020. In preparing to meet that schedule, staff thought it prudent to share

with DPR staff the type of recommendation that staff would make to the Commission for the October hearing.

Thus, in early August, staff met with DPR staff and informed them that Commission staff intended to recommend that the Commission act on October 15th to phase out OHV use over the next 5 years, and act to modify uses and intensities of uses at ODSVRA in a way that could be found consistent with the LCP.

5. Clearly, the Coastal Commission staff intended to recommend that the Commission require State Parks to phase out off-road vehicle riding and camping over the next 5 years. The Resources Secretary requested that that recommendation be postponed until he and the new Parks Director could become involved. Accordingly, the agenda item here has been downgraded to a status report, and will not be a vote for action.

6. Troublingly, it is clear that the tide is running heavily against retaining the off-road riding. Will the Resources Secretary overrule the Coastal Commission at some point? Does he even have that power? Is the Governor the ultimate arbiter?

COLAB IN DEPTH

IN FIGHTING THE TROUBLESOME, LOCAL DAY-TO-DAY ASSAULTS ON OUR FREEDOM AND PROPERTY, IT IS ALSO IMPORTANT TO KEEP IN MIND THE LARGER UNDERLYING IDEOLOGICAL, POLITICAL, AND ECONOMIC CAUSES

SAVING CALIFORNIA WILL SAVE AMERICA BY EDWARD RING

As proven by the torrent of executive orders issued by King Newsom during this COVID-19 pandemic, during a public emergency, constitutional rights and due process go out the window. In the coming years, with California's one-party state leading the way, expect climate emergencies, systemic racism emergencies, and new health related emergencies to shred what is left of democracy in America. These "emergencies" are enabling the onset of political tyranny in California, with Governor Gavin Newsom as the figurehead. His most significant overseers are the teachers' unions and Big Tech billionaires. These two blocs spend hundreds of millions of dollars every year on political campaigns and lobbyists, along with funding powerful nonprofit groups that agitate for politically useful agendas with respect to the environment, homelessness, social justice, and race and gender equity.

All this well-funded advocacy is framed as "for the people" and "for the planet," but in reality, everything Newsom, his predecessors, and his puppeteers have done has failed ordinary Californians, while delivering more power and more profits to California's ruling elite.

Instead of rounding up the homeless, sorting them according to their various problems or pathologies, and putting them in supervised tent encampments in low cost areas in the state, California's homeless advocates and profiteering "nonprofit" developers build taxpayer funded "supportive housing" palaces that cost over a half-million per unit in the middle of expensive residential neighborhoods, solving nothing. Meanwhile, cities descend into filth and anarchy.

Instead of implementing school choice, the teachers union demands more funding for failed models of public education. And instead of going out and finally allowing property owners and timber companies to clear the dead trees out of the overgrown forests – thanks to years of suppressing natural fires and driving away the logging industry – Gavin Newsom issues an executive order to ban gasoline cars within the next 14 years. Meanwhile, the forests keep on burning.

There is only one way to save California, and by extension, save America. The democratic will of the people must reassert itself in a massive realignment of public sentiment. To win these landslides, too seismic to be challenged by executive fiat, political candidates must step forward by the thousands, adhering to a new agenda that openly rejects core premises of the Democratic party, and offers a new political agenda that promises to do the exact opposite.

In three fundamental areas, public education, land use, and energy infrastructure, California's current policies are destroying lives, livelihoods, and land. And in all three of these areas, California's Democrats claim the moral high ground. But Democrats do not hold the moral high ground. They are ruining everything, from California's cities to its forests. How can that be moral?

Union Public School Monopolies Are NOT Moral

The most obvious example, where a realignment tipping point has already almost been reached, is the moral imperative to nurture the next generation. Everyone agrees: Teach the children well, that they might all have a chance at a bright future. But California's public schools are failing their students, and the problem is the worst in low income neighborhoods where the importance of a good public education is the greatest.

The solution is equally obvious: Public schools need to experience competition. Parents need to be able to choose from an assortment of accredited K-12 schools; public, public charter, virtual, parochial, private, homeschool, and micro-schools.

To implement school choice, education advocates need to stop trying to push whatever baby step their consultants and donors claim is politically possible, and do what is right. They need to demand school vouchers that parents can redeem at whatever school they wish. Voters have had enough. They're ready to vote for vouchers.

The biggest barrier to vouchers are California's teachers' unions, whose state and local chapters combined collect nearly a half-billion in dues each year. These unions use hefty portions of that money to buy politicians and lobbyists, impacting legislation that protects their monopolies.

But they are not doing this "for the children." They do not hold the moral high ground. They oppose school choice because as a monopoly they can perpetually acquire more members, more dues, and more power. And the parallel moral dimension, at least for the leadership of these teachers' unions, is they can use their control over the public schools to indoctrinate California's children.

Packing Population Growth Into Existing Cities is NOT Moral

If there is any area where years of indoctrination have turned ideologically driven opinions into supposed facts beyond dispute, it is in the area of environmentalism. And one of the most fundamental premises of environmentalism, often overlooked, is the delusion that higher density urban areas is necessary to protect the planet. The moral imperative is to save the earth, with “climate change” as the most urgent threat. But no matter what your opinion is about climate change, cramming California’s population into the footprint of existing cities will not have any impact whatsoever on the climate. All it will do is guarantee that housing is unaffordable forever.

If school vouchers is the revolutionary concept that will rescue K-12 education in California, more suburbs on open land is the revolutionary concept that will restore home affordability in California.

Almost every premise of the “anti-sprawl” lobby is ridiculous and must be challenged. Single family homes of one or two stories are far less expensive per square foot than multi-story buildings. Building utility infrastructure for new suburbs is less expensive than tearing up streets and easements to retrofit utility conduits to accommodate higher density in cities.

The claim that expanding suburbs contributes to climate change is also ridiculous. Jobs will follow workers to new suburbs. People telecommute. Cars are becoming greener every year.

The idea that land is scarce is [equally ridiculous](#). Using data drawn from [2017 USDA data](#), only 5.1 percent of California’s whopping [164,000 square mile area](#) is given over to residential, commercial, and industrial use. California’s total urbanized land, 8,280 square miles, is insignificant compared to its 42,498 square miles of grassland, with about half of that used for cattle ranching and dryland farming.

To develop a mere 20 percent of this grassland would allow California’s urban footprint to double. The array of legislation and executive orders designed to prevent new suburban development in California is overwhelming. These laws and executive orders must be overturned, possibly through a constitutional amendment put before voters in the form of a ballot initiative. There is no environmentally compelling reason to block development of new towns and suburbs along California’s major freeways, 101, I-5, and 99, especially if these developments are on rangeland which is of marginal agricultural value and of which only a fraction would be developed anyway.

Expressed as a percentage of California’s vast area, the amount of land necessary to unlock suburban development again on open space is trivial. If ten million Californians moved into homes on spacious quarter-acre lots, four per household, with an equal amount of space developed for new roads and commercial development, it would only consume 1,953 square miles – this would be a 24 percent expansion of California’s urban footprint, i.e., from 5.1 percent to 6.2 percent of all land in the state. To deny this opportunity to make home ownership affordable to California’s hard working low and middle income residents is based on misanthropic, cruel lies. Allowing suburban development on open land is a moral choice. Until it is again permitted, housing in California will never be affordable.

“Renewable Energy” is NOT Sustainable, Affordable, or Moral

California’s ruling elite has decided that its citizens will bear the brunt of being the bleeding edge of a global transition to “renewable” energy. But by forcing this advance via government decree, they risk impoverishing a generation merely to leave a legacy of obsolete technologies.

A perfect example is Governor Newsom's recent decree that new gasoline powered cars cannot be sold in the state after 2035, a mere 14 years from today. What if technologies are found to make gasoline powered cars even cleaner? Or what about natural gas powered cars? What about cars like the Chevy Volt, an extraordinary engineering achievement that allows all-electric driving for short commutes, but also delivers 50 MPG in city or freeway driving when in gasoline mode? The Volt died an unwarranted death because California's green despots did not consider it sufficiently green.

And if California's energy future is to be exclusively electric, why isn't nuclear power an option? Why is Diablo Canyon, which could run for several more decades, being decommissioned? Why is California suing the federal government to stop them from increasing the height of Shasta Dam, which would increase hydroelectric capacity?

The selective use of facts to promote "renewables" in California is epic. What sort of analysis has been done as to how much of California's solar panels, wind turbines and batteries have to be imported? What about the negative environmental impact of solar farms, or wind farms? What about lithium and cobalt, imported from nations where the environmental abuse and labor conditions are hideously worse than anything in the U.S.? Why aren't mining concerns allowed to exploit the abundant lithium deposits in California's Mojave Desert?

Then there is the question of what happens to all these "renewable" installations when they degrade and have to be replaced. How long will these solar panels and batteries last, and how will they be reprocessed? Even if California achieves a 100 percent renewable electric energy infrastructure, how can it ever be scaled to be applied worldwide, given the raw materials required and the fact that today solar and wind only supply 3.8 percent of global energy? What about new technologies that may come along and render this massive sacrifice obsolete?

Californians deserve reliable and cheap energy. This means nuclear power, hydroelectric power, and clean natural gas. Doing this makes life affordable for working families, and also makes it easier for manufacturers to come back to California, bringing with them well-paying jobs.

Starting a Revolution Against Misery that Masquerades as Morality

Much more can be said about policies in California that harm people and the environment, but these three are foundational. If you fix the schools you reduce crime and enable upward mobility. If you deregulate so you can build new suburbs on open land you make housing affordable, reduce the overall cost-of-living, and reduce homelessness. If you back off these extreme renewable energy mandates you reduce the cost-of-living and stimulate economic growth.

The premises that must be challenged and destroyed, because they are utterly false, are the following:

- (1) More money to feed the teachers union monopoly does not help children learn.
- (2) Packing people within the footprint of existing cities does not help people or the environment.
- (3) "Renewable" energy is not cheap or reliable, and it is not helping the environment.

The policies that must be promoted without reservations or apology, because they are moral choices that will make California livable again, are the following:

- (1) School vouchers must be implemented, so parents can choose whatever school they want for their children.

(2) The regulatory barriers to suburban land development must be all but scrapped, so housing that people want will be affordable.

(3) Hydroelectric, natural gas, and nuclear power must be expanded in California, and renewables mandates must be reduced, so energy will be affordable and reliable.

California's voters are ready to understand that these failed policies are pushed by special interests that benefit from misery. They're ready to consider new politicians and new policies. But candidates have to be willing to stand up and tell voters the unvarnished truth about current policies, and promise do the opposite:

The teachers union has a monopoly on education, and the worse things get, the more money they demand.

The major corporations, the investment banks, and the pension funds are all in a position to benefit from artificial scarcity of land, because it pumps up the value of their real estate portfolios.

The tech giants and the public utilities love renewable energy, because it drives a much larger percentage of consumer spending into paying for overpriced electricity, along with creating a mandatory market for the "internet of things" to manage energy consumption.

Politicians that advocate for school vouchers, suburban expansion, and conventional energy will be viciously attacked by self-righteous zealots, backed up by self-serving billionaires. But the politicians with the courage to stick to this revolutionary agenda will win, because it serves the people instead of the bureaucracy and the billionaires.

California's one-party state can be overcome. The people are ready. Where are the political leaders?

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The long-awaited second report from Dr. Li-Meng Yan – the Chinese whistleblower who came to the United States to expose the Chinese Communist Party's virus – has been released. And it's explosive.

The summary is quoted below. It should be noted that various American medical experts disagree with Yan's methodology and studies. Take a look and see what you think.

<https://zenodo.org/record/4073131#.X4D-tPVYbIU>

Two possibilities should be considered for the origin of SARS-CoV-2: natural evolution or laboratory creation. In our earlier report titled "Unusual Features of the SARS-CoV-2 Genome Suggesting Sophisticated Laboratory Modification Rather Than Natural Evolution and Delineation of Its Probable

Synthetic Route”, we disproved the possibility of SARS-CoV-2 arising naturally through evolution and instead proved that SARS-CoV-2 must have been a product of laboratory modification. Despite this and similar efforts, the laboratory creation theory continues to be downplayed or even diminished. This is fundamentally because the natural origin theory remains supported by several novel coronaviruses published after the start of the outbreak.

The conclusion is perhaps the most explosive we’ve seen on the pandemic in a while, wherein Dr. Yan, Shu Kang (PhD), Jie Guan (PhD), and Shanchang Hu explain:

If SARS-CoV-2 is of a natural origin, no fabrications would be needed to suggest so. The current report, therefore, corroborates our earlier report and further proves that SARS-CoV-2 is a laboratory product.

And further adds:

Although it is not easy for the public to accept SARS-CoV-2 as a bioweapon due to its relatively low lethality, this virus indeed meets the criteria of a bioweapon as described by Dr. Ruifu Yang. Aside from his appointment in the AMMS, Dr. Yang is also a key member of China’s National and Military Bioterrorism Response Consultant Group and had participated in the investigation of the Iraqi bioweapon program as a member of the United Nations Special Commission (UNSCOM) in 1998. In 2005, Dr. Yang specified the criteria for a pathogen to qualify as a bioweapon:

- 1. It is significantly virulent and can cause large scale casualty.*
- 2. It is highly contagious and transmits easily, often through respiratory routes in the form of aerosols. The most dangerous scenario would be that it allows human-to-human transmission.*
- 3. It is relatively resistant to environmental changes, can sustain transportation, and is capable of supporting targeted release.*

Clearly, SARS-CoV-2 not only meets but also surpasses the standards of a traditional bioweapon. Therefore, it should be defined as an Unrestricted Bioweapon.

Finally, in addition to the thirty pages of scientific detail on the report, Dr. Yan et al insist:

The scientific evidence and records indicate that the current pandemic is not a result of accidental release of a gain-of-function product but a planned attack using an Unrestricted Bioweapon. The current pandemic therefore should be correspondingly considered as a result of Unrestricted Biowarfare.

Under such circumstances, the infected population are being used, unconsciously, as the vectors of the disease to facilitate the spread of the infection. The first victims of the attack were the Chinese people, especially those in the city of Wuhan. At the initial stage, the hidden spread in Wuhan could have also served another purpose: the final verification of the bioweapon’s functionality, an important aspect of which is the human-to-human transmission efficiency. Upon the success of this last step, targeted release of the pathogen might have been enabled.

Some the details from the actual text of the report are displayed below:

4.2 Important implications of this large-scale, organized scientific fraud

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As revealed, the creation of SARS-CoV-2 is confirmed by following established concepts and techniques, some of which (for example, restriction enzyme digestion) are considered classic and yet still preferred widely including by experts of the field^{35,73}. A key component of the creation, the template virus ZC45/ZXC21, is owned by military research laboratories³.

Importantly, as revealed here, multiple research laboratories and institutions have engaged in the fabrication and cover-up^{4-9,59}. It is clear that this was an operation orchestrated by the CCP government. In addition, raw sequencing reads for RaTG13, which were integral parts of the fabrication, were obtained in 2017 and 2018^{24,33}. Furthermore, manuscript reporting the falsified coronavirus infections of Malayan pangolins was submitted for publication in September 2019⁵⁹. Evidently, the cover-up had been planned and initiated before the COVID-19 outbreak. Therefore, the unleashing of the virus must be a planned execution rather than an accident.

4.3 SARS-CoV-2 is an Unrestricted Bioweapon

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The most dangerous scenario would be that it allows human-to-human transmission.

3. It is relatively resistant to environmental changes, can sustain transportation, and is capable of supporting targeted release.

All of the above have been met by SARS-CoV-2: it has taken hundreds of thousands lives, led to numerous hospitalizations, and left many with sequela and various complications; it spreads easily by contact, droplets, and aerosols via respiratory routes and is capable of transmitting from human to human⁷⁵⁻⁷⁷, the latter of which was initially covered up by the CCP government and the WHO and was first revealed by Dr. Li-Meng Yan on January 19th, 2020 on Lude Press⁷⁸; it is temperature-insensitive (unlike seasonal flu) and remains viable for a long period of time on many surfaces and at 4°C (e.g. the ice/water mixture)^{79,80}.

Adding to the above properties is its high rate of asymptomatic transmission, which renders the control of SARS-CoV-2 extremely challenging. In addition, the transmissibility, morbidity, and mortality of SARS-CoV-2 also resulted in panic in the global community, disruption of social orders, and

decimation of the world's economy. The range and destructive power of SARS-CoV-2 are both unprecedented.

Clearly, SARS-CoV-2 not only meets but also surpasses the standards of a traditional bioweapon. Therefore, it should be defined as an Unrestricted Bioweapon.

4.4 The current pandemic is an attack on humanity

The scientific evidence and records indicate that the current pandemic is not a result of accidental release of a gain-of-function product but a planned attack using an Unrestricted Bioweapon. The current pandemic therefore should be correspondingly considered as a result of Unrestricted Biowarfare. Under such circumstances, the infected population are being used, unconsciously, as the vectors of the disease to facilitate the spread of the infection. The first victims of the attack were the Chinese people, especially those in the city of Wuhan. At the initial stage, the hidden spread in Wuhan could have also served another purpose: the final verification of the bioweapon's functionality, an important aspect of which is the human-to-human transmission efficiency. Upon the success of this last step, targeted release of the pathogen might have been enabled.

Given the global presence of SARS-CoV-2 and the likelihood of its long-term persistence, it is appropriate to say that this attack was on the humanity as a whole and has put its fate at risk.

4.5 Actions need to be taken to combat the current pandemic and save the future of humanity Given the CCP's role here, it is of paramount importance that the CCP is held accountable for its actions. In addition, the world needs to find out what other variants of SARS-CoV-2 exist in the CCP-controlled laboratories, whether or not SARS-CoV-2 or its variant(s) are still being actively released, whether or not re-infection of SARS-CoV-2 leads to worsened outcomes due to inefficient immunity and/or antibody-dependent enhancement (ADE)⁸¹⁻⁸³, and whether other weaponized pathogens are owned by the CCP as a result of their excessive, state-stimulated efforts in collecting novel animal pathogens and studying their potentials in zoonosis^{3,25,26,28,32,36,37,84-114}.

It is also of paramount importance that all the hidden knowledge of SARS-CoV-2 be brought out as soon as possible. As illustrated in our earlier report, although a template virus was used, the creation of SARS-CoV-2 must have involved introducing changes to the template sequence through DNA synthesis (steps 1 and 4 in part 2 of our earlier report)¹. Such a practice can be safely guided by multi-sequence alignment of available SARS and SARS-like coronavirus sequences. The process of this practice has been illustrated¹¹⁵, and both syn mutations and amino acid (non-syn) mutations at variable positions/regions would be introduced. From the perspective of the responsible scientists, these changes are necessary because, otherwise, the engineered nature of the virus and its connection to its template would be evident.

However, importantly, the introduced changes might have also altered the functions of the various viral components, which could be either by design or unintended. Nonetheless, it remains to be answered whether or how the introduced changes might be responsible for the various lasting complications that many COVID-19 patients experience and what barriers these changes might pose to the development of effective vaccines and other antiviral therapeutics. It is reasonable to believe that the responsible laboratories under the control of the CCP have been engaged in this research for a long period of time and therefore keep in possession a considerable amount of concealed knowledge of SARS-CoV-2. Some of the knowledge may provide answers to questions that need to be addressed urgently in the

global combat against COVID-19. Such hidden knowledge ought to be made available to the world immediately.

What also need to be held accountable are the individuals and groups within certain organizations and institutions in the fields of public health and academic research, who knowingly and collaboratively facilitated the CCP's misinformation campaign and misled the world. On January 18th and 19th, 2020, Dr.Li-Meng Yan, then anonymously, first revealed that SARS-CoV-2 is of a laboratory origin^{78,116}.

Immediately afterwards, on January 20th, Dr. Zhengli Shi submitted her manuscript to Nature and reported the first fabricated virus, RaTG134. Since then, many virus fabrications have taken place and all of them were published as peer-reviewed articles on top scientific journals⁴⁻⁹. Subsequently, based on such reports, influential opinion articles promoting the natural origin theory have then been published by prominent scientists and international organizations on such and other high-profile platforms^{10,117-120}.

In contrast to the rigorous promotion of the natural origin theory, strict censorship has been placed by these and other journals on manuscripts discussing a possible laboratory origin of SARS-CoV-2^{18,121}. Our earlier report¹, which was one of such manuscripts and published as a preprint article, also faced unfounded criticisms dressed as unbiased peer reviews from two groups of scientists led by Drs. Robert Gallo and Nancy Connell, respectively^{122,123} (our point-to-point responses are being prepared and will be published soon). As a result of this collaborative efforts, the public has been largely removed from the truth about COVID-19 and SARS-CoV-2, which has led to misjudgments, delayed actions, and greater sufferings of the global community. It is imperative to investigate the scientists, laboratories, institutions, and relevant collaborators responsible for the creation of SARS-CoV-2 and for the fabrications/cover-up.

It is also imperative to investigate the relevant individuals in the WHO, at the relevant scientific journals, in the relevant funding agencies, and in other relevant bodies, which have facilitated the creation of SARSCoV-2 and the scientific cover-up of its true origin while under full awareness of the nature of these operations. Finally, it also needs to be investigated which ones of the scientists engaged in the promotion of the natural origin theory were purely misled by the scientific fraud and which ones were colluding with the CCP government.

The time has come that the world faces the truth of COVID-19 and takes actions to save the future of humanity.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



This is a message from the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region (3).

To Interested Parties,

The Central Coast Water Board will hold a public meeting on October 22-23, 2020, by video conference. Below is the link to the agenda notice and staff reports.

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/board_info/agendas/2020/oct_22/index.html

This meeting is dedicated to staff and Water Board discussion on draft Agricultural Order 4.0 and the next steps for the development of a proposed order. The Board received public comment on this item in the form of stakeholder panel presentations on September 10 and 11 and a public comment forum on September 23, 2020. **No additional opportunities to provide oral public comment on this item are anticipated at this time for this meeting.** However, opportunities to provide written and oral comment will likely be available during the next phases of the public process to develop a proposed order.

Although the Board will not be taking any specific action during this meeting, it may provide direction to staff on the next steps associated with the development of Ag Order 4.0.

The Zoom meeting is the only option that offers translation services.

Zoom Link: The Zoom link is posted immediately below:

You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

When: Oct 22, 2020 09:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Every day, until Oct 23, 2020, 2 occurrence(s)

Oct 22, 2020 09:00 AM

Oct 23, 2020 09:00 AM

Topic: Regional Water Quality Control Board Central Coast Region meeting

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

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The webcast can be viewed through most web browsers from this page: <https://cal-span.org/>

The webcast does not include Spanish translation services. For Spanish translation services use the Zoom link above.

November 3, 2020 Ballot Measures:

Prop. 14: In 2004, voters approved \$3 billion for a publicly funded stem-cell agency, the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine, to support research into new treatments and possible cures. The money has been spent, and the backers of Proposition 14 want voters to approve \$5.5 billion more. But CORM has been widely criticized for inefficiency and insider dealing. **Vote no.**

Prop 15: This is the treacherous “split roll” property tax, a direct attack on Proposition 13. Proposition 15 would repeal part of Prop. 13 and require reassessment to market value of business properties. It would raise taxes on supermarkets, shopping malls, office buildings, factories, movie theaters, hotels, restaurants, sports stadiums, warehouses, self-storage facilities, major retailers and other businesses where Californians work or shop. Even the smallest businesses that lease space will face higher rents, or will have to pay the higher property taxes as part of their “triple net” lease agreement. Those higher costs are passed on to consumers. **Vote No.**

Prop 18: Proposition 18 would change the voting age in California to allow 17-year-olds to vote in primaries and special elections if they will turn 18 by the date of the next general election. While some states allow this, California is different than other states because under Prop. 13 and Prop. 218, tax increases must go on the ballot for voter approval. These proposed tax increases are frequently on primary and special election ballots. Proposition 18 would allow high school students to vote on tax increases. Proposition 18 would change the voting age in California to allow 17-year-olds to vote in primaries and special elections if they will turn 18 by the date of the next general election. While some states allow this, California is different than other states because under Prop. 13 and Prop. 218, tax increases must go on the ballot for voter approval. These proposed tax increases are frequently on primary and special election ballots. Proposition 18 would allow high school students to vote on tax increases. **Vote No.**

Prop: 19: Proposition 19 takes away important taxpayer protections that have been enshrined in the State Constitution since 1986. That's when 76% of voters approved Proposition 58 to allow parents to transfer a home and limited other property to their children without an increase in property taxes. Proposition 19 eliminates Proposition 58 and a similar measure, Proposition 193, which gives the same protection to transfers between grandparents and grandchildren if the children's parents are deceased.

Proposition 19 would require property transferred within families to be reassessed to market value as of the date of transfer, resulting in a huge property tax increase for long-held family homes. **Vote No.**

Prop 21: Proposition 21 would change state law to allow radical rent control laws to be passed in cities that are already suffering from an inadequate supply of housing. In 2016, California’s nonpartisan Legislative Analyst’s Office issued a report that found that expanding rent control “likely would discourage new construction” by limiting the profitability of new rental housing. Under current law—the 1995 Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act—housing providers have the right to raise the rent on a vacant unit to market value after a tenant moves out. The same law also bans rent control on units constructed after February 1995 and on single-family homes and condos. Proposition 21 would repeal this law and allow unelected rent boards (or elected rent boards) to impose radical rent control and regulations, even on single-family homes. **Vote No.**

Prop 22: In 2019, the Legislature passed, and the governor signed Assembly Bill 5, a law aimed at destroying the “gig economy” and forcing companies to stop using independent contractors as part of their business. Supporters said companies must put all workers on the regular payroll as employees, with control over their hours and wages. The Legislature carved out exceptions for many industries, but the ride-share and restaurant delivery industry wasn’t granted an exception. Proposition 22 was put on the ballot by Uber, Lyft and DoorDash. It would create an exemption from AB 5 for the companies’ drivers, while providing them with basic benefits and protections. Without this exemption, the companies would likely stop offering their services in California, depriving state residents of convenient and affordable transportation and delivery services. **VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION 22.**

Prop 25: Proposition 25 is a referendum on a state law, Senate Bill 10, that eliminated cash bail and replaced it with a system based on judging risk, specifically the risk that an arrested person poses to public safety and the risk that the person will fail to show up for a court appearance. Because opponents of the law qualified a referendum, SB 10 did not take effect. A “yes” vote is in favor of the law going into effect; a “no” vote means you do not want the law to take effect. Proposition 25 would result in immense new costs to counties. The new system of risk-based release instead of cash bail would cost taxpayers somewhere in the mid-hundreds of millions of dollars, according to the Legislative Analyst. **Vote No.**

CENTRAL COAST TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION

CCTA OPPOSES NOVEMBER BALLOT SALES TAX INCREASES OF SIX CITIES IN SLO COUNTY

When cities need money, the default reaction is always to raise taxes: sales taxes, transient occupancy taxes, surcharges on utility bills, increases in every fee and additional fees, ad

nauseam. Senior staff has a vested interest in staving off bad news, wrapping their tax proposals as reasonable, logical, and painless. “It will be paid by tourists,” “it’s only one percent,” and of course, “Everyone is doing it so we won’t be uncompetitive.” It’s so easy.

But we know from recent past experience that this approach doesn’t work. Taxes with sunset clauses, pushed to provide “extras,” are now funding routine maintenance and permanent positions. And now the demand is for even more taxes, permanently.

No tax increase should even be considered without a thorough review of the structure of the city and its long and short term goals. Consolidation of services and outsourcing are only a start. No amount of sales taxes, TOT and other fees can make up for the structural compounding growth in salaries, staffing and pension debts of small cities. These pension debts have been growing exponentially for at least two decades. Administrators and department heads, often paid more than the Governor, will block any and every attempt to make reforms, preferring a permanent sales tax hike to create another source for leveraging debt, via bonds. Thus they can postpone the inevitable pain a little longer or at least until retirement looms.

The current pandemic provides an excellent opportunity to break this cycle of tax and overspend and finally institute overdue, sound, long term financial planning in city government. Anyone breathing knows the lockdowns have created unprecedented drops in revenue for everyone. We literally are all in this together. It is time that local governments, like families and businesses, take a good long hard look at their expenses and priorities, or risk losing everything.

Six Cities have sales tax increases on the November ballot. Only the City of Arroyo Grande does not! See below!

City of Arroyo Grande - No Sales Tax Increase on November Ballot

Arroyo Grande's proposed sales tax increase fails - Cal Coast ...

City of Atascadero - 1%

Council Votes to Add Sales Tax Measure to Ballot

City of Grover Beach - 1%

Grover Beach City Council supports raising sales tax

City of Morro Bay - 1%

UPDATE: Morro Bay City sales tax increase placed on ...

City of Paso Robles - 1%

Paso Robles City Council votes to put 1-cent sales tax ...

City of San Luis Obispo - 1%

UPDATE: SLO City Council approves added 1% sales tax for ...

City of Pismo Beach - 1%

The City Council has adopted Resolution R-2020-053, adding the following measure to the November 3, 2020 ballot.

CITY OF PISMO BEACH

MEASURE B-20

PISMO BEACH PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES PROTECTION MEASURE. To maintain police and firefighter service levels; reduce 911 emergency response times; protect local groundwater and beaches; and enhance senior programming and other essential services, shall the hotel/visitor tax be increased by 1%, paid by visitors, generating approximately \$1 million annually, until ended by voters, requiring annual audits and local control of funds?

ALERT

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