

3,600 acres of their
habitat will be
destroyed under
the Coyote Valley
Specific Plan



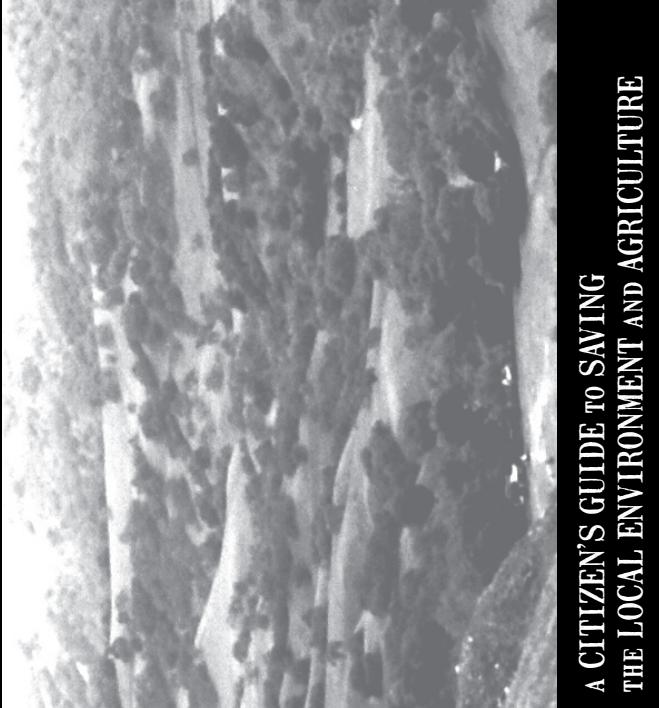
Burrowing Owl

For the needs of our existing community.
We should preserve what open space we have left,
with infill growth and provide
continued to develop with infill growth and provide
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WE ARE concerned citizens who
know that Coyote Valley is not suitable for
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MISSION STATEMENT

SAVE COYOTE VALLEY!



THE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE
A CITIZEN'S GUIDE TO SAVING



Contact your district representative and council
members Forest Williams & Nancy Pyle,
co-chairs of the CV Task Force

Tule Elk: CVSP will eliminate
a potential migration route

ATTEND AN EVENT There are many upcoming
City Council and Task Force Meetings related to Coyote Valley.
Attend a meeting or rally to voice your opinion.

www.savetoyotevalley.com

GET INVOLVED Support the growing community
concerned about this development project. There
is a lot of work to be done, contact Save Coyote Valley! to
get involved: coyotevalley@outlook.com or visit our website:
www.savetoyotevalley.com

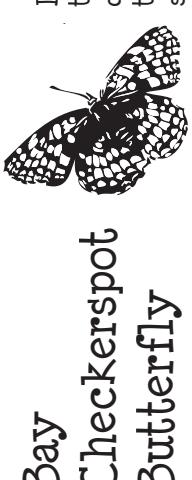
CALL TO ACTION!

WHAT IS COYOTE VALLEY?

Coyote Valley is a beautiful stretch of land between Morgan Hill and San Jose. It is a wildlife corridor between the Diablo Range in the East and Santa Cruz Mountains in the west, an important resource for wildlife populations in these areas.

The Coyote Valley Specific Plan includes 25,000 new residential units, which will bring 80,000 people to the area. This is the equivalent of a city the size of Mountain View! This plan also includes an artificial, 55-acre lake, a glaring example of environmental negligence.

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**Bay Checkerspot
Butterfly**

OUR CONCERNS...

ENVIRONMENT: Coyote Valley is a potential wildlife corridor between the Diablo Range and the Santa Cruz mountains. This is important to species such as the Tule Elk, which can use the corridor in the future. Riparian and Wetland habitats will be built over if the Coyote Valley Specific Plan proceeds. These areas are important for water filtration, flood control and bird migration. Some Foothill Woodland habitat will also be threatened. Due to increased car traffic, nitrogen deposition will pose a threat to native plant communities that inhabit serpentine soil. Some of these plants support listed species such as the Bay Checkerspot Butterfly.

AGRICULTURE: In the U.S., roughly one third of the nation's prime farmland exists within metropolitan counties or in adjacent counties that are also threatened by urbanization. Each decade, we lose more prime land at a faster rate, "We lost farm and ranch land 51 percent faster in the 1990s than in the 1980s" (AMERICAN FARM LAND TRUST 2007). In Coyote Valley, 2,400 acres of prime farmland are threatened. Protecting this land is not only an issue of historic and aesthetic amenity; it's also an issue of food security for future residents of this area. Some would argue that there is no money to be made on agriculture in the Silicon Valley, but using small scale models of agriculture (added value, organic farming), Coyote Valley can serve the growing market for sustainable food production in the Bay Area.

CITY FINANCE: The infrastructure cost for the Coyote Valley Specific Plan is expected to exceed \$2 billion. With empty promises made by developers in the past, do we really expect them to foot this bill? As in other instances, we can expect much of the cost of sewer extensions, a new water treatment facility, schools, police and fire services, hospitals, libraries, and roads will be payed by San Jose taxpayers. Furthermore, this added cost to taxpayers would represent a drain on resources that should be going to services for those who already live here. San Jose is currently in a budget deficit. The San Jose 2020 General plan specifically states that CV development will not occur until the city has demonstrated a balanced budget for five years.

GLOBAL WARMING: The CVSP has drawn criticism from Attorney General Jerry Brown for the potential global warming impacts it will generate. The Valley Transportation Authority has said that there is no money for many public transportation extensions, which would increase the congestion problems and increase our dependence on foreign oil. An increase in over 100,000 car trips daily can be expected.

SMART GROWTH: How can building on the last remaining open space in Santa Clara Valley be considered smart growth when many potential sites for infill development exist within the urban boundaries of San Jose? Development in Coyote Valley will only exacerbate urban sprawl.