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Re: Makeup of Area Community Councils

- (1) CCNA Endorsement of Council Member Representation by Area and
- (2) Maintain Current Carmichael Council Membership of 9 Members

Dear Sacramento County Board of Supervisors:

It is the understanding of the Carmichael Creek Neighborhood Association (CCNA) that the makeup of the Community Councils is being reevaluated, specifically for appointment qualifications of Council members, selection at large vs. representation by area, as well as the number of Council members serving on the Councils.

We hope that each Council member continues to represent their residential area as is the current practice rather than having representatives at large.

Also, we urge you to maintain the current number of nine (9) members on the Carmichael/Old Foothill Farms Community Council for a number of reasons. Our main concern is that the Carmichael area is experiencing a high number of land use applications that demand careful study, time and involvement. Our Carmichael community will be better represented, heard, understood and guided by a 9-member Council that can meet this workload commitment.

We realize the County is currently experiencing fiscal shortfalls, but eliminating members at this time to save \$70.00 paid to each Council member per meeting would not go far in resolving the County's monetary problems, if that would be a rationale for reducing Council membership.

Also, money spent at the beginning of land use issues to thoroughly research, discuss and decide issues can ultimately save money and work later in the process.

We appreciate the time and effort that goes into finding volunteers to fill these positions, but believe it is well worth it and pays dividends in the future.

Please continue supporting the nine member council with members representing their local area.

Richard Humphrey,
President, CCNA