

**Environmental Justice Policies and Actions, based on the October 2, 2020 Placeworks memo, voted on by the HMC Operations committee at their January 8, 2021 meeting for inclusion in the update to the County's General Plan**

- Proposed new Policy for Goal F - The County should encourage that the safest transportation method be employed for hazardous materials and hazardous wastes transported in Contra Costa County, taking into consideration the potential impacts of Sea Level Rise, and should particularly encourage reducing the transportation of hazardous materials and hazardous wastes in Disadvantaged Communities.
- Proposed new Action Item for Goal F - The County should consider the findings from the Adapting to Rising Tides studies for Contra Costa County prepared by the Bay Conservation and Development Commission and the Hazardous Materials Commodity Flow study prepared for the Hazardous Materials Programs in future planning and transportation improvements, and in Sea Level Rise and flooding mitigation measures, specifically in areas already having risks, or found to have potential future risks, from Sea Level Rise and flooding.
- Proposed Amendment to Goal K, Policy 2 - Advocate for and coordinate with local and regional agencies in efforts to and remediate or treat contaminated surface water, groundwater, or soils in or affecting disadvantaged communities, and in efforts to communicate with, and educate, the public about these sites.
- Proposed new Action Item for Goal K - Improve and expand the ease of access to information about, and the status of, contaminated sites in Contra Costa County.
- Proposed new Policy for Goal K - The County should have established setbacks for new proposed pipelines, rail lines, oil and gas exploration sites from healthcare, schools, residences, senior and childcare facilities and other sensitive receptors, and should have established setbacks for proposed new sensitive receptors from industrial facilities and other facilities using hazardous materials.
- Proposed new Action Item for Goal K - The County should establish criteria for developing setbacks, or mitigation measures in lieu of setbacks, for projects involving hazardous materials being proposed near sensitive receptors, or for sensitive receptors projects being proposed near facilities using hazardous materials.
- Proposed new Policy for Goal K - The County should only allow the development of contaminated sites intended for use by a sensitive receptor if the deed restrictions for the site are compatible with sensitive receptor use.
- Proposed new Policy for Goal K - The County should not allow new development of a site previously certified as cleaned-up unless any deficiencies found in the latest 5-year review of that site have been corrected.

- Proposed new Policy for Goal K - The County should not allow development of any site, previously certified as cleaned-up, in violation of any existing land use covenants (deed restrictions) imposed on that site.

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- Propose Amendment to Goal J, Action 6 – Develop and implement a plan to provide clean air refuges with public transportation access during times when outdoor air quality is unhealthy. (include phrase about transportation access).
- Proposed new Policy for Goal C – Homes potentially impacted by chemical fires or releases that may need to shelter-in-place need to be able to do so safely, with adequate infiltration rates and protection from heat. These concepts can also be incorporated into Policies C-4 and C-5.
- Proposed new Policy for Goal C – Support continued public education to make sure all residents are provided adequate education about less toxic alternatives to household hazardous products, including pesticides, and education about the safe handling, storage and disposal of Household hazardous Waste, including pharmaceuticals. Ensure there are adequate options for HHW disposal for residents that don’t drive.
- Proposed Amendment to Goal F, Action 4 – make sure the criteria established considers the type of hazmat being transported and the air pollution from the trucks.
- Proposed new Policy for Goal J – more specificity for how far away sensitive receptors need to be from sources to be safe, and be clear that they shouldn’t be placed within that zone.
- Proposed Amendment for Goal K – Define “resilient” better – Need policies and actions that address resiliency
- Proposed new policy for Goal K – Ensure residents and businesses that live near hazards are adequately educated about the risks from near-by hazardous materials and have adequate ways to protect themselves.
- Proposed New policy for Goal K - No new facilities using or storing hazardous materials to be sited in areas impacted by projected sea level rise without adequate preplanning for that eventuality.