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From: Mary Ellen Brooks <mebrooks@sbceo.org>
Sent: Monday, September 23, 2019 6:17 AM
To: Kim Dominguez <kdominguez@cityofgoleta.org>
Subject: CPA comment letter on Creeks Setback

Dear Staff: Please find attached the CPA comment letter for the Monday evening Goleta Planning Commission meeting. Please distribute this letter to the commissioners. Thank you. Marell Brooks, CPA President



September 22, 2019

To: Goleta Planning Commission

Re: Creek Set Backs Policy

The Citizens Planning Association would like to go on record in support of the EDC proposal, on behalf of Urban Creeks Council, which urges the City of Goleta to develop language in its New Zoning Ordinance to ensure proper implementation of a General Plan policy that requires a minimum 100-foot creek setback. The setback is intended to preserve creeks and riparian habitat in a natural state. These goals are directly in line with the City's focus on creek cleanups and its Creek and Watershed Management Plan.

CPA urges your commission to make sure that the New Zoning Ordinance includes a section that mirrors language recommended by the California Coastal Commission and that was adopted by the County of Santa Barbara in the Eastern Goleta Valley Community Plan. Several CPA members participated in the EGVCP update process, and we remember that an adequate creek setback policy was an important issue.

On Thursday October 3rd, CPA is sponsoring a panel discussion about Community Land Use Planning in the Goleta area in the era of Climate Change. We expect the issues about creek setbacks will be part of the discussion. You are invited to join us at the Goleta Library at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marell Brooks

President

Citizens Planning Association