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18 04/04/2022 - 9:46am	Diane Ang	Question	Did I miss the inclusion of factors of impacts to residents? Where are the impact reports to surrounding communities? Much of the proposed land is in areas that is agriculturally significant and will be affected by massive wind and solar farms. Were costs considered to the loss of farmland to local residents? What about the devaluation of their properties?	#001	16 RDF - Technical Report led by UC San Diego -March 2022.pdf
17 04/04/2022 - 9:20am	Diane Ang	Suggestion	Too many projects are proposed for the Boulevard/Campo/Jacumba area! Residents do not want solar farm clusters> we moved to rural areas for a reason.	#002	25 RDF - Technical Report led by UC San Diego -March 2022.pdf
16 03/24/2022 - 7:21pm	Karl Aldinger	Suggestion	Regarding the report's mention of transit adoption, the report says, "where transit will be most viable and well-utilized". This assumes a past paradigm of transit for n "transit dependent". The report must accept a new paradigm where it is everyone's responsibility to share in the systemic adoption of pubic transit. We should begin the new age of transit-for-all now, and a report that we expect others to emulate should not miss this point.	#003	75 RDF - Technical Report led by UC San Diego -March 2022.pdf
13 03/14/2022 - 2:38pm			I think there is a major opportunity that is not included here. Permaculture, urban soils memagement, Climnate Victory gardenall go beyond tree planting and can be a helpful on many levels. I would urge the planners to look more deeply into the many actions that individual landowners can take on a home by home, parcel by parcel, level in the already urbanized and developed areas. I have more information if it is desired.	#004	160 RDF - Technical Report led by UC San Diego -March 2022.pdf
11 03/12/2022 - 9:12pm	Steven Gelb	Suggestion	There also needs to be a broad-based education/public relations outreach program to help citizens understand the enormity of the climate emergency, and the necessity of the "large investments and rapid change" that the RDF calls for.	#005	251 RDF - Technical Report led by UC San Diego -March 2022.pdf
10 03/08/2022 - 5:08pm			n Environmental groups, especially those working on climate justice issues such as the Environmental Health Coalition, should be invited to the table.	#006	267 RDF - Technical Report led by UC San Diego -March 2022.pdf
27 04/28/2022 - 8:14pm 26 04/15/2022 - 3:44pm			n On page 281 in the paragraph "Current CAP Commitments", the text "12 MT" should be "12 MMT". In Approved on March 15, 2022.	#007 #008	281 RDF - Technical Report led by UC San Diego -March 2022.pdf 290 RDF - Technical Report led by UC San Diego -March 2022.pdf
			Beyond the use of passive voice that makes this opening passage poorly written and weak is the incorrect implication that government alone can make this happen.  Something more engaging, highlighting all stakeholders waging a coordinated effort (perhaps noting the leadership role of government) would be far more inclusive with far less, 'here's the new mandate'. Isn't the idea to set a positive tone for he ideas to come?	#009	3 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
6 03/05/2022 - 11:16am	Lauren Brimmer	Suggestion	Isn't solar hot water heating one of the fastest payback projects that would also eliminate gas? Why go from a carbon awful to carbon less awful technology when (or if) green is an option with distributed solar. That's probably why, since there's no reason for solar water heating to be grid tied in San Diego.	#010	6 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
7 03/05/2022 - 11:20am	Lauren Brimmer	Suggestion	Maybe it's in later pages?  Add details to organize these efforts geographically, so that gas service infrastructure can be retired along entire streets, etc. For example, if 10 homes on a street no convert and two still need gas, infrastructure has to change and costs don't go down really for the conversions that did occur. On a per home basis, infrastructure cost increases in the scenario mentioned.	#011	6 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
14 03/14/2022 - 11:15pm	aljcampo	Suggestion	n The rights of an "Owner/Builder" should be preserved for residential and the requirement of C10 license not apply. The formal Inspection steps will catch any problems.	#012	8 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
37 05/10/2022 - 1:01pm	Evan Tucker	Suggestion	I hope local leaders will be opposing the Public Utilities Commission's effort to financially disincentivize rooftop solar. We are so behind on our climate change goals,	#013	8 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
38 05/10/2022 - 1:03pm	Evan Tucker		especially producing clean power, that making rooftop solar way more expensive goes in absolutely the wrong direction.  Love this idea!	#014	8 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
8 03/05/2022 - 11:30am	ı Lauren Brimmer	Suggestion	I don't know what an EVITP certified electrician is, and the link provided requires permission. I almost didn't click the link (most people would be content to skip) so better to explain with first use of acronym.  In general, a licensed electrician puts his of her license on the line in accepting each jo. This certification requirement seems like an unnecessary and government overreach-type requirement. Our EV charger (Level 2) only required a plug, since we had already planned for extra panel space. I would have cursed any organization forcing me to hire someone I don't want. It's difficult enough to get decent contractors in rural North County.	#015	8 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
39 05/10/2022 - 1:07pm	Evan Tucker		This is so important! Especially express buses with dedicated bus lanes. I love the trolley but it takes decades to build a new line and it only helps if your home and your work are near the line. I work at UCSD and nobody I know commutes using the trolley, because hardly anyone lives, or can afford to live, near most of the blue line stations. We need expresses buses (almost like shuttles) that go from from major population centers to major employers. We could be doing that immediately. Right not enough people can take the bus to work unless they live close to their work, because the system is so inefficient (and more expensive than driving).	#016	9 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
40 05/10/2022 - 1:09pm	Evan Tucker		The protected bike lanes we have are great and get used, but we need so many more. Many people do not bike because they are concerned about safety. There should be protected bikes lanes on El Cajon and University that go at least to San Diego. These are the major routes that thousands of students and workers could be using, if they felt safe.	#017	10 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
9 03/05/2022 - 11:40am	Lauren Brimmer	Suggestion	Suggest planning around water usage and invasive species when creating your expanded tree canopy. Maybe you can get SDG&E to underground more power lines to a facilitate more trees with less required maintenance? I'll bet gas workers would know something already about under-grounding power.	#018	11 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
12 03/14/2022 - 10:35am	Mark	Suggestion	n I'm not sure that "firm" power was defined earlier in the document, but perhaps it would help to redefine it here.	#019	30 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
			Please elevate our local food system as a higher priority in the San Diego De-Carbonization Plan. Carbon farming offers the most cost effective and natural strategy for reducing CO2 in our atmosphere as well as the critical co-benefits of improving our local food security and greening our economy. Please consider the following recommendations:  - Development of a "Carbon Drawdown Plan" that includes		
24 04/14/2022 - 5:33pm	Bea Alvarez	Suggestion	incentives to farmers for the ongoing sequestration and ecological services provided by San Diego farms. The inclusion of ongoing sequestration is critical to protecting agricultural lands and livelihoods and essential to maximizing the co-benefits of climate-smart farming for San Diego.  - Identify opportunities to strengthen and incubate new, climate-smart farmers and local food distribution businesses and encourage public/private partnerships that can help these new businesses to thrive.	#020	46 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
23 04/14/2022 - 5:32pm	Bea Alvarez	Suggestion	Food system components are mentioned throughout the document but are minimal in the "agricultural sector". We recommend a unique "Food System Sector" in the De-carbonization Strategy. This will ensure a plan that maximizes local production and consumption of climate-smart, San Diego-grown products within our region.	#021	46 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
22 04/14/2022 - 5:31pm	Bea Alvarez	Suggestion	San Diego needs to invest in our local food system as a key sector in the fight against climate change. Our farmers can help mitigate our significant carbon footprint and a get us to net zero fasterwhile simultaneously producing the healthiest, fresh food imaginable. This Decarbonization Strategy dabbles in carbon farmingand makes an excellent startbut it is essential that it become a more central strategy and that the right investments are made now!		46 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf

33 05/09/2022 - 3:20pm Bea Alv	irez Suggesti	Recognize healthy soil as vital public infrastructure.  The world grows 95% of its food in the uppermost layer of soil, making topsoil one of the most important components of our food system. But due to conventional farming practices, nearly half of the most productive soil has disappeared and soil on US cropland is eroding 10 times faster than it can be replenished. Soils contain approximately 75% of the carbon pool on land  — three times more than the amount stored in living plants and animals. Therefore, we must link the loss of topsoil to the climate crisis and accelerate the regeneration of healthy soil as a vital climate solution.	#023	46 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
34 05/09/2022 - 3:21pm Bea Alv	ırez Suggesti	Support carbon sink voluntary incentives to compensate the private sector for its investments in soil infrastructure.  The vast majority of soil cultivation is undertaken by the private sector. Farmers resist mandates because our individual circumstances are extremely variable. Voluntary incentives are a more appropriate mechanism to influence farmer behavior. We know that carbon sink farming methods create healthier topsoil and that there are significant co-benefits to healthy soil. Yet, County staff seem reluctant to elevate carbon farming as an important climate solution. We understand the significant barriers presented by existing (or no pre-existing) policy, but encourage the Board of Supervisors to act decisively to invest in a carbon sink incentive pilot that can demonstrate how the private agricultural sector can contribute to climate solutions.	#024	46 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
25 04/14/2022 - 5:36pm Bea Alv	irez Suggesti	<ul> <li>include the existing and ongoing contribution of San Diego farms to GHG sequestration;</li> <li>identify and compensate farmers for the existing and ongoing co-benefits and ecological services provided by our farms;</li> <li>include voluntary and incentivized opportunity for farmers to contribute new and additional carbon farming sequestration to mitigation targets</li> <li>identify projects that defend agricultural livelihoods and improve the resilience of our operations; and</li> <li>develop a pathway for new farmers to accelerate carbon farming in our County.</li> </ul>	#025	47 Draft—Putting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
35 05/09/2022 - 3:23pm Bea Alv	ırez Suggesti	Prioritize purchasing from carbon sink farms to stimulate green job growth.  The County can demonstrate the value of carbon sink farming and stimulate green job growth on sustainable farms by prioritizing County produce purchases from farms on with an active Carbon Farm Plan. The County could utilize existing staff at Agricultural Weights and Measures to verify active practices in a similar way that Farmers Market certification is maintained. Farms with a reliable buyer are more likely to add additional workers and new farmers are more likely to launch farm businesses if they can see a path towards economic viability.	#026	47 Draft—Putting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
36 05/09/2022 - 3:24pm Bea Alv	ırez Suggesti	Plan for farmer/farmworker protections during climate events.  We can assume that climate change will bring higher temperatures and more frequent extreme weather events to San Diego County. Adequate preparation for these on events will improve our resilience to them. Therefore, we recommended including opportunities (such as outreach and education about weather warning systems or state and federal disaster mitigation programs) into our local green job plan.	#027	47 Draft—Putting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
21 04/14/2022 - 5:26pm Bea Alv	arez Suggesti	Sustainable agriculture is among the most urgently needed work in the United States, for at least three reasons: we face a climate crisis, a health crisis, and a rural economic crisis.  Addressing these pressing crises through sustainability transition will require growing our agricultural workforce: both because the current farm population is aging, and because sustainable agriculture is knowledge-intensive work that substitutes experiential knowledge of farm ecosystems for harmful industrial inputs. Given its social value, sustainable agriculture ought to be a welcoming profession. But at present, agriculture is decidedly unwelcoming for nearly all who work in it — making new entry unviable unless significant investments are made to change the trajectory.  As early adopters of climate-smart, sustainable farming practices, local farmers are equipped to provide vital recommendations for how San Diego County can elevate the agricultural sector in its efforts to accelerate green employment across our region.	#028	48 Draft—Putting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
04/14/2022 - 5:23pm Bea Alv	ırez Suggesti	<ul> <li>include the existing and ongoing contribution of San Diego farms to GHG sequestration;</li> <li>include a voluntary and incentivized opportunity for farmers to contribute new and additional carbon farming sequestration to mitigation targets.</li> <li>identify and compensate farmers for the existing and ongoing co-benefits and ecological services provided by our farms;</li> <li>identify projects that defend agricultural livelihoods and improve the resilience of our operations; and</li> <li>develop a pathway for new farmers to accelerate carbon farming in our County.</li> <li>Recognize healthy soil as vital public infrastructure.</li> <li>The world grows 95% of its food in the uppermost layer of soil, making topsoil one of the most important components of our food system. But due to conventional farming practices, nearly half of the most productive soil has disappeared and soil on US cropland is eroding 10 times faster than it can be replenished. Soils contain approximately 75% of the carbon pool on land — three times more than the amount stored in living plants and animals. Therefore, we must link the loss of topsoil to the climate crisis and accelerate the regeneration of healthy soil as a vital climate solution.</li> </ul>		8 Draft—Putting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf

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		extremely context specific and we are only beginning to have local knowledge to demonstrate. Alongside efforts to incentivize new practices, we need a significant investment in farmer-to-farmer mentorship and San Diego-specific, multilingual, training programs for existing farmers. Resources must also be found to support beginning farmers during their first three to five years of operation to ensure they can successfully launch new green businesses.		
	19 04/14/2022 - 5:16pm Bea Alvarez	Invigorate investments in sustainable agriculture education at community colleges.  Suggestion As in any green job sector, adequate training is a key component to success. We recommend the County identifies opportunities at our fantastic community colleges to offer training, certification and associate degrees in sustainable, climate smart agriculture. We encourage these training programs to be bilingual so that the Spanish-speakers that fuel our food system have equal opportunity to participate.	#030	49 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
		Integrate more science into Farm to School education programs to interest future farmers in pursuing a green career in agriculture.  Interest in sustainable agriculture as a green career begins early. We firmly believe that farming as a green profession should be more actively integrated into school-based  programs such as Farm to School. The County could partner to secure grant funding in this area and utilize programs such as Master Gardeners to teach about the		
	4 03/03/2022 - 10:50am Karl Aldinger	This should read LiUNA or LIUNA not LUINA Suggestion Labor International Union of North America	#031	54 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
	28 05/09/2022 - 3:13pm Bea Alvarez	Green Jobs and Carbon Sink Farming Sustainable agriculture is among the most urgently needed work in the United States, for at least three reasons: we face a climate crisis, a health crisis, and a rural economic crisis. Addressing these pressing crises through sustainability transition will require growing our agricultural workforce: both because the current farm Suggestion population is aging, and because sustainable agriculture is knowledge-intensive work that substitutes experiential knowledge of farm ecosystems for harmful industrial inputs. Given its social value, sustainable agriculture ought to be a welcoming profession.  But at present, agriculture is decidedly unwelcoming for nearly all who work in it – making new entry unviable unless significant investments are made to change the trajectory.	#032	81 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
	30 05/09/2022 - 3:16pm Bea Alvarez	Invest in affordable (and green) rural housing to ensure farming is a viable occupation.  Without affordable housing (particularly in rural and peri-urban parts of San Diego) there is zero chance that green job growth will occur in the agricultural sector. We	#033	83 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
	29 05/09/2022 - 3:15pm Bea Alvarez	Invest in mentorship, training and new farmer incubation programs.  Farmers/farmworkers are extremely busy individuals and carbon sink, sustainable, or regenerative practices take time to study, integrate and act upon. Further, the  Suggestion Alongside efforts to incentivize new practices, we need a significant investment in farmer-to-farmer mentorship and San Diego-specific, multilingual, training programs  for existing farmers. Resources must also be found to support beginning farmers during their first three to five years of operation to ensure they can successfully launch  new green businesses.	#034	83 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf
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	32 05/09/2022 - 3:18pm Bea Alvarez	Integrate more science into Farm to School education programs to interest future farmers in pursuing a green career in agriculture.	#036	85 DraftPutting San Diego County on the High Road_02.28.22.pdf

15 03/16/2022 - 8:19pm U	I suggest the time frame of 2045 is too far off. It makes it easy not to really make much of a change NOW.  There is no guarantee that any of the people involved in creating this "framework" will be in a position to see it through.  With far-off dates, things just continue pretty much as they are now.  YES, steps need to be taken and I support the end result 100%. Yet, the scientific reports I read, suggest to me, that the sooner the changes are made, the less damage will need to be dealt with.	#037	4 DRAFT RDF Summary for Policy Makers.pdf
41 05/17/2022 - 7:27pm Brian Shuck	Suggestion This is good and was needed over 5 years ago, but now it will need to be large areas as small areas will be constantly taken. In other words, it mainly becomes having ICE vehicles park farther way from entrances, etc.	#038	17 DRAFT RDF Summary for Policy Makers.pdf
42 05/17/2022 - 7:40pm Brian Shuck	Maybe old gas pipelines can be used to run the new electrical lines. This would also reduce easement obstacles. That likewise reduces the potentially additional costs of moving wires underground. In the impending and likely permanent emergency situation, we will need to ease restrictions on such activities; meaning, if there are rules Suggestion preventing this, those rules need to be changed.  It may be worthwhile to analyze the cost to benefit of requiring that any pipe replacements longer than x should instead have power cables run through them, along with potential subsidies.		20 DRAFT RDF Summary for Policy Makers.pdf
43 05/17/2022 - 8:31pm Brian Shuck	Suggestion Painting roofs white reduces adsorbed heat, not carbon. This may help to reduce the climate warming while also reducing cooling costs. This seems to be low-hanging fruit, especially in view of the lower likelihood that such dwellings have functioning air conditioning.	#040	24 DRAFT RDF Summary for Policy Makers.pdf
44 05/17/2022 - 8:38pm Brian Shuck	This timeline may be too long and hopefully the shift will be quicker than the model, once word gets out that EVs are already cheaper, etc. than FFs.  Question The timeline is certainly too long for a decent future as food supplies are already going down due to the climate disasters.  Who is suggesting that we wait 20 more years?	#041	26 DRAFT RDF Summary for Policy Makers.pdf
45 05/17/2022 - 8:49pm Brian Shuck	If 2050 refers to the global goal, then San Diego must do more, sooner, as it is already the 7th most air-polluted area in this country. If the air quality is an indication of Suggestion carbon emissions, which I suspect is true, then we must move faster than the minimum required average of the world. Especially since you speak of becoming an example for others. Not everyone will move at the same speed, so we must far exceed such a target.	#042	26 DRAFT RDF Summary for Policy Makers.pdf