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Brad Shirhall
Environmental Projects Director
City of Sacramento
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Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Brownfields cleanup funding for El Monte Triangle

Dear Mr. Shirhall:

I was encouraged to read in the July 2nd edition of the Sacramento Business Journal the article titled "Brownfields cleanup gets \$200,000 boost."

As you are probably aware, the El Monte Triangle special planning district within the North Sacramento Redevelopment Plan area has been stalled for a decade due to past dirty uses and current ground water contamination (TCE specifically). Several of our members have been guilty until proven innocent by the EPA, forced to spend tens of thousands of dollars on testing, with no end in site. This area was subject to flooding from the 1920's through the 50's giving way to a percolating effect that further clouds the source of any contamination.

The El Monte Triangle has good access, some of our area's larger parcels, and has benefited from some Places modeling for development potential. It has been held back by toxics.

In light of the new funding, and evidently other existing funding the City has which is specifically targeted to this problem and this area (commercial corridor and redevelopment area), we request a meeting with you, BERCC, SHRA and appropriate City Staff to focus on characterization and remediation for the El Monte Triangle to encourage reinvestment.

I look forward to hearing from you and to working with the City and appropriate agencies to address this issue.

Yours in Service,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Franklin Burris', written over a white background.

Franklin Burris

C: Vice Mayor Sandy Sheedy
County Supervisor Roger Dickinson
Kelly Korver, SHRA
Celia Lamb, Business Journal
Dennis Micheletti, Property Owner