

ESPARTO DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
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Board of Supervisors
Yolo County
625 Court Street Room 204
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Dear Board Members,

The Esparto District Chamber of Commerce would like to commend your work on the updated Yolo County General Plan. We hope that this work will result in a plan that fulfills the countywide vision for the future.

In addition to the General Plan, the Esparto District Chamber of Commerce would like the Yolo County Board of Supervisors to adopt a package of economic incentives for rural development in the unincorporated areas. We are currently poised to recruit new business to our community and an incentive package would be a key component in the recruitment process.

Additionally, we would like to partner with the County and Public Works to assist in streamlining the design, planning and building process. Many people believe this process is cumbersome and conflicting, and in many cases has resulted in delayed or abandoned plans. We strongly believe that clear and concise guidelines are critical for future economic growth in the unincorporated areas. A planning process that is clearly understood and user friendly will be an asset to the future of all county development

Key members in our Chamber of Commerce are eager to meet with board members and county staff to begin this incentive and streamlining process. If we can tell prospective local business owners that we have a strong incentive package, a development zone, and a Public Works Department that is friendly, efficient, and easy to work with, our community will prosper. The end result is a healthy, vibrant business environment and more tax dollars for our County.

Thank you for your continued interest and support for Western Yolo County. We look forward to meeting with county staff in the near future to review our recommendations. Our Executive Director, Elizabeth Campbell, will contact your office within the next week to set up a meeting.

Sincerely,

Tom Frederick

Tom Frederick
Chairman, Board of Directors
Esparto District Chamber of Commerce