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To: Gary Helfrich and members of the Planning Commission-

From: Steve Birdlebough

Re: Local Coastal Plan Update

I appreciate the effort that has gone into this matter, and the time that staff has given to work with interested members of the public.

My main concern is with overcrowding along parts of the coast, which negatively affects the environment and visitor experiences, as well as the lives of residents.

Steps can be taken to make SR-1 more safe by reducing speed limits and adopting designs that cause drivers to slow down. All-way stop signs at various intersections can give way for traffic to safely enter the highway from side-roads.

At some popular locations, systems for reserved parking could be developed, and the public could be advised about times when all spaces are reserved. Such information would enable visitors to plan their day to avoid congested areas.

Below are a few specific recommendations. Thank you for your attention. Steve Birdlebough 576-6632

Objective C-LU-2.1: Concentrate new housing within the Bodega Bay Urban Service Area. **Provide** *Allow* additional residential development in rural areas at very low densities *only*, to maintain local resources

Policy C-LU-4f: Consider requiring *all-way stop signs or* intersection improvements at State Highway 1 and Eastside Road, *and/or* Bay Flat Road, *and other locations* as a condition of approval of development along Eastside Road. (Existing LCP)

Program C-LU-3: Consider developing a parking management *or reservation* program for Bodega Bay commercial *and other* areas *of intense use*. (New)

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