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"Land Use 2020: The Housing Crisis, COVID-19, CEQA, and Endangered Species Take Center Stage"

Dear Land Use Practitioner,

We're pleased to invite you to the sixth annual California Land Use Law & Policy Conference, this year rescheduled to *live online*. This comprehensive, practice-oriented conference is an intensive, streamlined, one-day excursion through some of the most important issues facing land use practitioners today.

California's housing supply and affordability crisis arguably represents the biggest land use challenge for California, relevant for nearly all land use practitioners, planners and other land use professionals. This year we have devoted a good portion of our program on the most relevant aspects of diverse housing issues to get your practice ready for the challenges ahead.

We've also added a **timely Keynote Session: "Coping with California's Housing Supply Crisis During the COVID-19 Pandemic,"** with speakers addressing how non-profits, private development, and public agencies are coping with the challenges brought about by COVID-19.

In 2020 the California Environmental Quality Act turns 50. Much has occurred over those years and much more change is expected. Our experts will address these changes and put it all within the context of where we have been, and where we are heading.

We also address many other pressing land use issues: Endangered species law and regulation at both the federal and state levels; California's new Wetlands Permitting Program; planning in the wildland-urban interface in light of worsening fire danger; and the impacts of climate change-caused sea level rise on coastal land use and development, where the question is: Will the state's policy of Coastal Managed Retreat be a workable and legal solution?

To guide you through these issues, we've assembled some of the best and most knowledgeable faculty in the state. This conference will allow you to learn from in-the-trenches attorneys, planners and policy-makers who are involved in the cutting-edge issues and cases affecting land use challenges in the state.

We invite you to join us in this new format and interact with the faculty through live question and answer sessions after each presentation. Be ready, be prepared, be successful in your practice. If you attend only one California MCLE or Planner AICP accredited land use conference this year, make it this one!



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Friday, November 20

- 8:00 Welcome Remarks with Critical Detail**
Charity Schiller, Esq., Best, Best & Krieger, Riverside
- 8:15 Housing in the Next Decade: Land Use Tools to Address Housing Shortages**
- **Transit Oriented Development: Taking Advantage of Rail Stations, Ferry Terminals, and Transit Nodes**
Todd Leishman, Esq., Best, Best & Krieger, Ontario
 - **Affordable Housing: Where Are We and Where Might We Be Headed?**
Hina Gupta, Esq., Downey Brand, San Francisco
- 9:15 KEYNOTE SESSION: Coping with California's Housing Supply Crisis During the COVID-19 Pandemic**
- **Housing the Homeless Affected by COVID-19**
Jon White, Chief Real Estate Officer, Abode Services/Allied Housing, Fremont
 - **Residential Development Before, During, and After COVID-19**
Kevin Leichner, V.P. of Real Estate Development, Eden Housing, Hayward
 - **Transportation Patterns and Planning Changes due to COVID-19**
Anne Mayer, Executive Director, Riverside County Transportation Commission, Riverside
- 10:30 BREAK**
- 10:45 Sea Level Rise Adaptations: Is Managed Retreat a Taking of Private Property?**
- **Private Property Rights: The View from the Regulated Community**
Stan Lamport, Esq., Cox, Castle & Nicholson, Los Angeles
 - **The Public Trust Doctrine and the Protection of Our Coastline**
Molly Melius, Program Manager, Environmental and Natural Resources Law & Policy Program, Stanford Law School

- 11:45 LUNCH BREAK**
- 12:45 The Land Use-Water Connection—The New State Wetlands Permitting Program**
Clark Morrison, Esq., Cox, Castle & Nicholson, San Francisco
- 1:15 Recent Developments in Federal and State Endangered Species Regulation**
- **What the Regulations Mean for Development in California**
Scott Birkey, Esq., Cox, Castle & Nicholson, San Francisco
 - **The New Regulations' Impacts on Endangered Species Protection**
Lisa T. Belenky, Senior Attorney, Center for Biological Diversity, Oakland
- 2:15 BREAK**
- 2:30 We've Burned Before: The Harrowing Tale of Planning in the Wildland-Urban Interface under the U.S. Constitution**
Christi Hogin, Esq., Best, Best & Krieger, Manhattan Beach
- 3:00 CEQA, Vehicle Miles Traveled, Level of Service, and Traffic Analyses**
Jonathan Shardlow, Esq., Gresham Savage, San Bernardino
- 3:30 The California Environmental Quality Act Turns 50: Where Have We Been, Where Are We Heading?**
- **A Trip Down Memory Lane**
Alisha Winterswyk, Esq., Best, Best & Krieger, Irvine
 - **CEQA's Track Record**
Jennifer Hernandez, Esq., Holland & Knight, San Francisco
 - **What's on the Horizon for CEQA?**
Matthew Henderson, Esq., Miller Starr Regalia, Walnut Creek
- 5:00 CONFERENCE ADJOURNMENT**

Program Co-Chairs:

Scott Birkey is a land use and natural resources lawyer who handles entitlement, compliance, and litigation matters for residential and commercial developers, educational and health-care institutions, and public agencies throughout California.

Charity Schiller helps public and private clients negotiate the maze of laws that apply to infrastructure and private development projects, so that those projects can be entitled and built. Specifically, Charity assists clients with all aspects of the California Environmental Quality Act, the National Environmental Policy Act and related environmental laws.

Conference Faculty:

Lisa T. Belenky is a Senior Attorney at a species advocacy organization, where she works to protect rare and endangered species and their habitats under state and federal law.

Hina Gupta represents public and private sector clients on a wide variety of land use and environmental matters, including compliance with local planning and zoning laws, CEQA, NEPA, the California Coastal Act, local municipal and election laws, and brownfield redevelopment.

Matthew Henderson practices land use and litigation from initial entitlement and environmental review to subsequent litigation and appellate work under CEQA, general and specific plan updates, zoning, subdivisions, use permits, and the formation of community facilities districts.

Jennifer Hernandez chairs the firm's West Coast Land Use and Environmental law practice group and represents the private sector, public agencies and nonprofit clients on a range of projects including infill and master-planned mixed-use housing and commercial projects, university and research facilities, transportation and infrastructure projects.

Christi Hogin practices in the areas of land use, CEQA, coastal and election law and serves as City Attorney for the cities of Lomita, Malibu and Palos Verdes Estates and Assistant City Attorney to West Hollywood.

Stan Lamport is a land use and real estate development attorney whose practice includes representing clients with

project acquisition, entitlement strategy, transactional issues, project processing and advocacy, CEQA compliance, and litigation.

Kevin Leichner supervises new construction, adaptive reuse, portfolio restructuring, resyndication, and rehabilitation. Kevin has more than ten years of experience in tax credit finance, affordable housing development, and portfolio recapitalization in California.

Todd Leishman represents both public agencies and private clients as General and Special Counsel on a range of land use issues, including planning, development and housing issues.

Anne Mayer heads the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) which is the regional transportation planning agency for Riverside County. RCTC delivers on promises made to the voters by the Measure A half-cent sales tax measure and ensures that transportation projects and programs support quality of life and the economy.

Molly Melius is a Fellow at Stanford Law School where she heads the school's Environmental and Natural Resources Law & Policy Program and oversees the school's Environmental Law Clinic.

Clark Morrision is a partner in the firm's land use practice group, and represents developers and public agencies in the areas of wetlands, endangered species, and in all aspects of the permitting and development of large development projects.

Jonathan Shardlow is chair of the firm's land use practice group where he represents landowners, developers and businesses in a wide array of land use litigation and transactional matters, including CEQA compliance and litigation.

Jon White oversees development projects, leading his project management team through every aspect of new development and acquisition rehabilitation projects, from conception to completed construction to lease up.

Alisha Winterswyk advises public and private clients on state and federal environmental laws, with a specific focus on the California Environmental Quality Act and the National Environmental Policy Act.

Tuition:

Conference tuition for live participation or self-study is \$695. A discount of \$50 is available for individuals from government agencies, public interest groups, or academia; for current subscribers to the *California Land Use Law & Policy Reporter*; or for each attendee when two or more people from one firm or organization register together.

Tuition includes attendance, program materials, and a three-month electronic subscription to the *California Land Use Law & Policy Reporter* (a \$215 value).

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 - Landowners and Developers
- Land Use and Environmental Consultants
- City Council and County Board of Supervisors Members and Staff
 - State and Local Agency Representatives
- Public Interest Group and Advocacy Personnel

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