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Subject: 2050 Survey and general comments

Hello Executive members. I am writing to you about the 2050 Survey and have some comments about how it is structured. The Survey is appreciated as it gives the opportunity to provide feedback on some of the essential components of the Trust Policy Statement (TPS) (ie Principles and Directives and Advisory Policies).

The TPS, as I understand it, has only one purpose- to establish enforceable policies directing land use regulation to carry out (or at least not be contrary to) the Trust Object. As such, my comments relate only to the Principles and Directives. I am not commenting on Advisory Policies as they are discretionary and not used in Executive Committee bylaw decision making.

Completing the Survey was frustrating and I realized an essential aspect of the TPS was missing.

My frustration: being only able to give one assessment (ie rating of degree of support as to its effectiveness) on anywhere from 2 to 8 policies under one Goal. Ideally these ratings should have been allowed for each policy. Normally I would have rated a number of them differently based on the text of the policy. As a result, I had to choose from among several response options:

- (a) give an average rating based on some assessment of overall pros and cons ,
 - (b) use the highest rating I may have given for one policy,
 - (c) give the lowest rating I may have given for one policy,
 - (d) not give a rating for each section and just use the "Other Comments" and the "Overall Effectiveness of the Draft Policy Statement" for comments to further elaborate,
- or
- (e) give some sort of rating for each section and also use the "Other Comments" and "Overall Effectiveness" portions of the Survey to further elaborate.

My question: how will staff assess the responses in the various options cited? Will they temper the ratings based on comments provided? Will they report out all responses as opposed to only providing a summary of responses? If no general rating is given under a Goal, will they consider the comment sections and extrapolate?

Missing in the Survey is the Glossary. The interpretation of terms used in a legal document is critical to how the legislation will operate and the public should have been given an opportunity via the Survey to provide feedback on these definitions. As this has not occurred will there be an opportunity to give the public an explanation of some key terms and their intended use, as well as any changes from the current TPS definitions?

One final comment: it would be helpful to also provide in a document a comparison of the current and draft TPS policies with a brief indication as to what has changed, what has remained the same and what is new.

Thank you for your consideration,

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