



A recent Appeal Democrat front page headline entitled “*Job creation vs. unbridled development*” focuses on a recurring and controversial theme regarding the undeveloped land in and around the Sutter Buttes.* Politicians and special interest groups are squaring off to debate Measure V on the Sutter County ballot this November. You can help to clear the air on this issue by simply expressing your views about the Sutter Buttes.

Should the open land in and around the Buttes be preserved or should it be developed? Your voice and your thoughts will be heard and published. Please fill this survey, select our responses or write your own thoughts, and **return it by October 25, 2010.**

I. Tell us how you feel about the Sutter Buttes. (Circle letter or letters)

- A. They are a beautiful and natural landscape that is still undeveloped and they should be left alone.
- B. They should be preserved as a historic landmark of how all of California used to be.
- C. They are reassuring symbol that I am coming home!
- D. They are an opportunity for entrepreneurial development.
- E. Other _____

II. Tell us how you see the Buttes in the future. (Circle one)

- A. They are fine in private ownership as they are today.
- B. They should be protected from commercial or residential development by new or stronger zoning.
- C. They should be zoned to allow for parks for public access and recreation.
- D. They should be zoned for commercial or residential development.
- E. Other _____

III. Tell us if you think Buttes are a resource that should be left alone or if they should contribute more to our economy. (Circle one)

- A. The landowners’ family ranches are the best stewards of the Buttes. It has been that way for over a century. They should be left alone.
- B. I would like to see more opportunities go into the Buttes to learn about ranching history, Native Americans, plants, and wildlife.
- C. An annual Sutter Buttes farm tour would bring many people from the Yuba Sutter community to learn more about the Buttes’ history.
- D. A park in the Buttes would bring many tourists to our area and contribute to our local economy.
- E. Other _____

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IV. Tell us if you think Sutter County should do more to discourage or encourage building and development in and around the Buttes. (Circle one)

- A. The current General Plan has protected the Buttes so far.
- B. The new General Plan update needs to offer more protections against building in and around the Buttes.
- C. The new General Plan update needs to allow more building and development in and around the Buttes.
- D. I would like to better understand how the General Plan protects the Buttes.
- E. Other _____

V. Tell us if you think the Sutter County Board of Supervisors support a balanced approach to development and preservation of the Buttes. (Choose one)

- A. I feel that they can be trusted to follow zoning codes and protect the landscape as much as they can.
- B. I feel that they are more influenced by developers and landowners who want to subdivide their property than to protect the Buttes natural landscape.
- C. Other _____

VI Tell us if you would like to see less development or more development west of the town of Sutter if the FPARC zoning designation is voted in the next election to be remanded to the control of the Board of Supervisors instead of the people of Sutter County as it has been. (Circle one)

- A. I would like to see the land on the edge of the Buttes remain undeveloped to preserve our view of its natural landscape.
- B. I feel that any development to improve our economy is more important than how pretty the Buttes look.
- C. Other _____

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