

Regional Housing

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To SCAG:

Be careful with your projections for the upcoming RHNA cycle. Your projects for Los Angeles were very wrong, so don't make the same mistake. The city has ~4,000,000 -- not 4,200,000 persons and not 4,400,000 persons. Fertility rates and immigration have declined. Los Angeles is a mature city that is growing at slow rate, maybe 0.5% per year.

Note that Los Angeles is already zoned for 6,000,000 to 8,000,000 people. The city has enough zoning already to accommodate any growth rate, so no upzones are needed.

When allocating population and housing, avoid speculative ideas like jobs and transit, because it's unknown how to accurately calculate them. Keep your previous methodology and use population growth only.

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