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12/18/2023	Clarification	Note the that the land acknowledgment in the EJ Element is a working draft	Edit as noted	Add after Land Acknowledgement: <u>"This draft land acknowledgement will continue to be developed consistent with Action EJ1.1B."</u>	page viii
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	In policy EJ2.1, what does the 20% tree canopy goal mean? 20% of what?	Edit definition as proposed. Urban tree canopy (UTC) is the area of a community that is covered by trees' crowns, as viewed from above. UTC is measured as a percentage of the total land area, so a goal of 20% UTC aims to have at least 20% of the total land area covered by tree canopy. Existing UTC rates in the Priority Communities are discussed in Table 3-9 on page 3-19 of the draft EJ Element.	Edit UTC definition (page xix and page 3-17) to: <u>"The area of a community that is covered by trees' crowns, as viewed from above. Often expressed as a percentage of total land area."</u>	Page xix Page 3-17
12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	Definition of "urban tree canopy" is confusion. Clarify?	Edit definition as proposed. Urban tree canopy (UTC) is the area of a community that is covered by trees' crowns, as viewed from above. UTC is measured as a percentage of the total land area, so a goal of 20% UTC aims to have at least 20% of the total land area covered by tree canopy. Existing UTC rates in the Priority Communities are discussed in Table 3-9 on page 3-19 of the draft EJ Element.	Edit UTC definition (page xix and page 3-17) to: <u>"The area of a community that is covered by trees' crowns, as viewed from above. Often expressed as a percentage of total land area."</u>	Page xix Page 3-17
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Wildlife is never mentioned in EJ Element.	Edit as proposed	Edit "Natural Environment" section Pg 3-16. "Urban trees, creeks, and other natural features provide humans, <del>wildlife non-humans</del> , and our shared environment with a wide range of life-sustaining and life-enhancing benefits" and "Urban creeks provide multiple benefits to the communities through which they flow, including shade and cooling, flood alleviation, increased biodiversity and <u>wildlife habitat...</u> "	page 3-16

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11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	The Chapter 3 <i>Proximity to Law Enforcement Stations</i> section says that “While law enforcement may increase feelings of safety for some community members, the presence of law enforcement may also feel threatening or oppressive...” (page 3-27.) Where did this language come from? Not sure “oppressive” is warranted.	The language in this section was vetted by the Alameda County Sheriff’s Office.  Edit as proposed.	Edit <i>Proximity to Law Enforcement Stations</i> pg 3-27 to read “While <u>the presence of law enforcement</u> may increase feelings of safety for some community members, <u>it is important to note that other community members - particularly for BIPOC residents</u> <del>community members</del> and members of historically marginalized communities -- <u>may experience distrust of law enforcement.</u> <del>the presence of law enforcement may also feel threatening or oppressive”</del>  Add a reference to DSAL in the document. ( <a href="https://www.acdsal.org/about">https://www.acdsal.org/about</a> )	Page 3-27
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like “encourage”	Edit as proposed	Edit Policy EJ1.1A to read: “ <del>Consider publicly acknowledging</del> <u>Acknowledge</u> historical and ongoing harms, working with Priority Community residents to identify and implement appropriate remedies.”	Page 4-3
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like “encourage”	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ1.3B to read: “The County will <del>consider special attention to, and investment</del> invest in, <del>the Priority Communities, including prioritizing</del> improvements and programs that reduce unique or compounded health risks <del>in these communities</del> and that promote civic engagement in the public decision-making process <u>in the Priority Communities.</u> ”	Page 4-4

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11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Add reporting timelines to action EJ1.4B – a baseline of reporting EJ Element implementation progress no less than x years from date of adoption. Nothing gets done until the deadline is approaching.	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ1.4B to read, “The EJ Implementation TAC will work with the community to set implementation goals, develop mechanisms for implementation monitoring and reporting, and establish strategies for accountability and ongoing community engagement in the implementation process. <u>Beginning in 2025, the TAC will provide annual reports to the Board Unincorporated Services Committee and the Planning Commission regarding the progress of EJ Element implementation.</u> ”	Page 4-4

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12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	Regarding proposed edits to Action EJ1.4B, request for annual reports on EJ Element implementation status to Planning Commission in addition to Board Unincorporated Services Committee	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ1.4B to read, "The EJ Implementation TAC will work with the community to set implementation goals, develop mechanisms for implementation monitoring and reporting, and establish strategies for accountability and ongoing community engagement in the implementation process. <u>Beginning in 2025, the TAC will provide annual reports to the Board Unincorporated Services Committee and the Planning Commission regarding the progress of EJ Element implementation.</u> "	Page 4-4
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Asian languages are increasingly spoken in San Lorenzo. The County should translate its policies and rules into all relevant languages.	Edit as proposed  Action EJ1.4C commits to translating the final EJ Element into Spanish and translating summaries into other languages as appropriate. Policy EJ7.3 includes actions to establish a public meeting accessibility standard (including language equity) and to encourage County Agencies to provide public-facing programs and publications in multiple languages.	Edit Action EJ1.4C: "The CDA Planning Department will work with relevant partners to translate the final, adopted EJ Element into Spanish and, <u>at minimum, to provide translated summaries of the EJ Element in other commonly-spoken languages.</u> " <del>will consider translating into other languages as appropriate based on language demographics in the Priority Communities.</del>	Page 4-4
12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	Applaud addition of Action EJ1.4C (translating final EJ Element into Spanish.) Recommend translating, at minimum, a summary of the EJ Element into other commonly-spoken languages to enable bilingual organizers to use the materials in their outreach	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ1.4C: "The CDA Planning Department will work with relevant partners to translate the final, adopted EJ Element into Spanish and, <u>at minimum, to provide translated summaries of the EJ Element in other commonly-spoken languages.</u> " <del>will consider translating into other languages as appropriate based on language demographics in the Priority Communities.</del>	Page 4-4

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11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Action EJ2.1B (private property tree protections) – ensure this measure sees daylight by adding a commitment to present findings to the Unincorporated Services Committee	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ2.1B: “The Community Development Agency will explore strategies to increase tree protections on private property that consider both the benefits of a healthy urban tree canopy and concerns about preserving private property rights, <u>and will present its findings to the Board Unincorporated Services Committee.</u> Strategies may include private property tree protection ordinances, Heritage, Protected, or Native tree designations, or tree stewardship incentives.”	Page 4-5
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like “encourage”	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ2.1C to read: "The Public Works Agency will <del>seek</del> <u>identify</u> funding to inventory existing street trees and other trees in the public right of way and identify areas where there is a disproportionate urban greening deficit or need within the Priority Communities."	Page 4-6
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Update action 2.1D (PWA tree list) to specifically add native trees and shrubs, City of San Leandro’s tree list is a good example	Edit as proposed	Edit action EJ2.1D: “The Public Works Agency will update its Alameda County Recommended Tree List to become a resource for tree planting in the Priority Communities and elsewhere in the urban unincorporated areas, with special consideration for <u>native trees</u> , trees that will thrive in a warming climate, and <u>trees that</u> provide co-benefits such as pollution abatement, water conservation, shade, and/or habitat for native <u>wildlife species.</u> ”	Page 4-6
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like “encourage”	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ2.1E to read: "The Public Works Agency will <del>seek</del> <u>identify</u> funding <u>and</u> partnerships, and <u>seek</u> input from residents, to evaluate and revise its Tree Program in support of community tree resources in the public right-of-way."	Page 4-6

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11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	City of Hayward passed an ordinance allowing city to fine UP (Railroad) for violations. Add an action to create an ordinance that enables County to fine UP for dumping, compelling UP to clean up by leveraging fines	Staff reached out to the City of Hayward and learned that the City does not have an ordinance - instead, they have established a verbal relationship with UP that enables them to reach out directly to UP for issues related to encampments along the railroad tracks. For illegal dumping and fence repairs, they submit complaints via the UP online complaint system.  Add new action as proposed.	Add new Action EJ2.5B: " <u>CDA Code Enforcement will establish reporting contacts with Union Pacific Railroad to support abatement of health and safety issues along railroad property.</u> "	Page 4-7
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like "encourage"	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ2.5A to read: "The County will continue to <u>seek cultivate</u> creative partnerships and programmatic solutions related to prevention and clean-up of litter and illegal dumping in the Priority Communities, including supporting the ongoing work of the Alameda County Illegal Dumping Taskforce."	page 4-7
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like "encourage"	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ2.6B to read: "In collaboration with BAAQMD, the County will <u>seek take steps</u> to reduce tailpipe emissions in the Priority Communities through participation in the Air Resources Board's Community Air Protection Program and other relevant programs."	Page 4-7
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like "encourage"	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ3.1A to read: "The County will <del>consider</del> <u>adopting adopt</u> policies to improve transparency in the infrastructure planning process and will <del>consider</del> <u>highlight</u> the needs of the Priority Communities in infrastructure project planning and implementation."	Page 4-8

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11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Action EJ3.1D talks about looking for opportunities to expand hours, but don't we already know what the opportunities are?	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ3.1D to read: "The County will look for <del>opportunities and</del> resources to expand hours of operation for the Libraries, the REACH Ashland Youth Center, and other public facilities in the Priority Communities."	Page 4-8
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Action EJ3.5H—supporting construction of high visibility sidewalks etc, How are we going to support these things?	Edit as proposed	<p>Combine Action EJ3.5H with Policy EJ3.5 and re-frame it as a guiding policy, not an action. New text of Policy EJ3.5: <u>“Create and maintain a safe, comfortable, and continuous pedestrian network that provides access to all users, particularly disabled users, seniors, and children by closing sidewalk gaps, improving pedestrian crosswalks at intersections, and implementing traffic calming and streetscape improvements.”</u></p> <p>Replace Action EJ 3.5H with : <u>“Consistent with the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, the Public Works Agency will Incorporate Universal Design into the design process and achieve full American with Disabilities Act (ADA) public right-of-way compliance. Universal Design focuses on designing environments and buildings to be accessible to people of all ages and abilities.”</u></p>	Page 4-9 and 4-10

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11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	We need a dialogue with the Public Works Agency to implement ADA tools like audible pedestrian signals, detectable warnings, and consideration of barriers like furniture or vegetation blocking the right-of-way along with more typical curb cuts.	Several measures in the existing draft address, or would involve, improving community engagement in PWA’s decision-making and planning process: Action EJ3.5B (engaging residents in updating the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan); Action EJ3.5C (engaging residents when updating the Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program); Action EJ3.5E (adopting a Vision Zero policy); Action EJ7.6D (adopting a PWA Community Engagement Policy.)  Edit as proposed.	Combine Action EJ3.5H with Policy EJ3.5 and re-frame it as a guiding policy, not an action. New text of Policy EJ3.5: <u>“Create and maintain a safe, comfortable, and continuous pedestrian network that provides access to all users, particularly disabled users, seniors, and children by closing sidewalk gaps, improving pedestrian crosswalks at intersections, and implementing traffic calming and streetscape improvements.”</u>  Replace Action EJ 3.5H with : <u>“Consistent with the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, the Public Works Agency will Incorporate Universal Design into the design process and achieve full American with Disabilities Act (ADA) public right-of-way compliance. Universal Design focuses on designing environments and buildings to be accessible to people of all ages and abilities.”</u>	Page 4-9 and 4-10
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like “encourage”	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ3.5G to read: "The Public Works Agency will <del>support the synchronization of</del> <u>synchronize</u> traffic signals around schools and parks to ensure traffic flow and safety."	Page 4-10
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Action 3.6D “encourage creation of pocket parks” – change to “oversee” or something more actionable	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ3.6D: "The County will <u>actively participate in the</u> <del>encourage</del> creation of pocket parks and other small green spaces in the Priority Communities."	Page 4-10
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Policy EJ3.6 – change language to “support and <u>collaborate in</u> ”	Edit as proposed	Edit Policy EJ3.6: “Support <u>and collaborate in</u> the development of a comprehensive and integrated system of parks, plazas, playgrounds, trails and open spaces that addresses existing deficits in the Priority Communities."	Page 4-10



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12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	The County is spending \$500k to have permitting process reviewed. Consider dovetailing this effort with the EJ Element	Edit as proposed	<p>Edit Policy EJ4.2 : "<del>Pursue customer service-oriented improvements to the County’s permitting, code enforcement, and public maintenance request processes. Promote user friendly processes for code violations and public maintenance issues to facilitate clean and safe public and private properties in the Priority Communities. "</del></p> <p>Add new <u>Action EJ4.2F</u>: "<u>The County will implement the recommendations of the July 2023 Alameda County Development Services Process Review report.</u>" and add footnote link to <a href="https://www.acgov.org/board/bos_calendar/documents/DocsAgendaReg_8_10_23/GENERAL%20ADMINISTRATION/Regular%20Calendar/Item_2_Baker_Tilly_Permit_Process_rpt.pdf">https://www.acgov.org/board/bos_calendar/documents/DocsAgendaReg_8_10_23/GENERAL%20ADMINISTRATION/Regular%20Calendar/Item_2_Baker_Tilly_Permit_Process_rpt.pdf</a></p>	Page 4-11 and 4-12
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like "encourage"	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ4.1A to read: "In any future updates to the County’s Housing Element, the Planning Department will work with partners including the Health Care Services Agency, through the Office of Homeless Care and Coordination, to <del>uplift</del> <u>address</u> the needs of Priority Community residents through policies and programs that expand housing affordability and accessibility, combat gentrification, protect renters, increase amenities in high-density areas, and address other key concerns identified through ongoing community engagement."	Page 4-11

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12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	Re addition of Added Action EJ4.2C (online CE portal) –Online portal software already exists – why does this measures say “Explore”?? Strengthen language. This already exists. Make CE buy it. It’s better to use a platform that already exists, e.g. See click fix, which shares GPS information, share photo, etc. An online portal equals cost savings for the department	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ4.2C: “CDA Code Enforcement will <u>establish</u> <del>explore creation of</del> an online complaints portal that allows community members to look up the status of code enforcement complaints.”	Page 4-11
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Can the Code Enforcement Division consider providing weekend and evening service?	Edit as proposed	Add: <u>Action EJ4.2E “CDA Code Enforcement will develop protocols to address code enforcement violations occurring on weekends and evenings.”</u>	Page 4-12
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like “encourage”	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ4.3A to read: "The County will <del>seek to</del> expand the geography of the Lead Poisoning Prevention Joint Powers Authority to include the unincorporated communities."	Page 4-12
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like “encourage”	Edit as proposed	Edit Policy EJ 5.2 to read: " <del>Promote</del> increased food security, access to nutrition education, and food assistance programming for vulnerable groups, including seniors, people with disabilities, unhoused residents, people with limited English proficiency, and the re-entry community."	Page 4-14
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Action 5.3B – change animal services action to mention “updating” or “modernizing” existing ordinances, and looking to other jurisdictions for best practices around holistic urban ag policy	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ5.3B: “The CDA Planning Department and ACSO – Animal Services will collaborate to review <u>and modernize</u> existing ordinances and regulations related to urban agriculture and animal husbandry, <u>consider best policy practices</u> , and explore opportunities for coordination, clarification, and improvements that remove barriers to urban agriculture in the Priority Communities.”	Page 4-15

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11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like "encourage"	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ6.3B to read: "The San Lorenzo Library and Castro Valley Library will seek collaborations with HARD <sub>2</sub> and the Priority Community school districts, <u>or other partners</u> to develop seasonal story walks in Priority Community parks and/or schools."	Page 4-16
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Action EJ6.6B – HCSA will provide a health status report every 3 years beginning when?	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ6.6B "The Health Care Services Agency will provide to the Board of Supervisors a regular Countywide health status report, including a highlight on unincorporated Alameda County, at least every three years <u>beginning in 2025.</u> "	Page 4-17
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Policy EJ6.5 "Reduce incidents and fear of crime" – how do you reduce fear? Let's just reduce crime.	Edit as proposed	Edit Policy EJ6.5 "Promote Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED), incorporating principles of landscape, building, and urban design to reduce <del>incidents and fear of crime</del> and promote active use of public spaces in neighborhoods and commercial areas at all times of the day to provide "eyes-on-the-street.""	Page 4-17
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like "encourage"	Edit as proposed	Edit Policy EJ6.12 to read: " <del>Help</del> <u>Connect</u> Priority Community residents to local public sector jobs."	Page 4-20
12/18/2023	Planning Commission	Suggest word change in page 4-21 "Office of Unincorporated Services" popout – when established instead of if established.	Edit as proposed. Establishment of this office would be determined by the County Administrator's Office and the Board of Supervisors.	Edit Office of Unincorporated Services popout page 4-21 "An Office of Unincorporated Services, <del>if established,</del> could act as the equivalent of a City Manager's Office in unincorporated AlamedaCounty."	Page 4-21

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11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Action EJ7.1G: Broaden this language to take a more general approach, i.e. anything asked of the Planning Commission that would impact the Priority Communities, e.g. policy amendments	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ7.1G: "The County will <del>encourage</del> <u>consider requiring</u> County Agencies and Departments to set a practice of seeking input from the relevant MAC(s) for projects, <u>policies, and other efforts with potential to</u> <del>that</del> impact the County's unincorporated communities."	Page 4-22
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like "encourage"	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ7.2D to read: "The Community Development Agency will <del>explore</del> <u>increase</u> use of digital engagement tools to increase civic engagement opportunities."	Page 4-22
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like "encourage"	Edit as proposed	Edit Action EJ7.3B to read: "The County will <del>encourage</del> <u>consider requiring</u> its Agencies and Departments to provide public-facing programs and publications in multiple languages."	Page 4-22

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11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see stronger language, e.g. where the County has direct authority. Avoid language like “encourage”	Staff will strengthen language wherever possible before releasing a final draft. In some cases, “encourage”, “support”, “explore” or similar language may be the only appropriate wording.	See tracked changes in Chapter 4 for strengthened language; changes also listed on this spreadsheet	Ch 4 (throughout)
12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	Comments last time were that this is a bunch of fluff – the EJ Element uses lots of terms like “endeavor” “try” “think about it” , for example Action EJ7.1A (Office of Unincorporated services) - this idea has been discussed for years. I read these goals and actions and many of these things have been talked about for a long time. I understand that SB 1000 requires it, but I don’t have a lot of confidence that this will make any difference because there are no timelines attached. Re Action EJ7.1G, Engaging MACs in decision-making – this policy language is typical of this entire document – why not say we will require, what’s wrong with concrete requirements? “encourage” means nothing. Re CE complaints portal (Action EJ4.2C) – CE is riddled with problems. Last time they came to CV MAC they said this is all you’re going to get. MAC was bringing up concrete examples. This action says “explore creation”, make it mandatory, put some hard language into it	<p>The language used in the EJ Element measures is language that was approved by the implementing agency or department during the policy development process. In some cases, using flexible language enables measures that might otherwise be removed to remain in the document. Including these measures allows the EJ Element to more fully capture the breadth of community input and amplify Priority Community residents’ vision for the future of the unincorporated areas.</p> <p>Staff have included metrics wherever possible. Where there is not currently sufficient information to include metrics prior to adoption, metrics will be considered and added during the implementation phase.</p>	See tracked changes in Chapter 4 for strengthened language; changes also listed on this spreadsheet	Ch 4 (throughout)
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Would like to see policies that address dangerous trees on private property. Dangerous trees can fall and crush cars, and when people call the County there’s nothing they can do.	As a safety issue related to environmental hazards, this would be best addressed in the Safety Element.	Add new measure to draft Safety Element: <u>“The County shall adopt a hazardous tree ordinance that provides remediation pathways to address trees that pose hazards to human safety and the well-being of neighboring properties .”</u>	n/a

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12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	Air quality is disproportionately poor in some areas of the county. Climate change impacts aren't necessarily felt equally-- what conversations can we have with transit partners to get hydrogen buses in neighborhoods with the poorest air quality?	This action fits well with existing strategies in the draft Community Climate Action Plan.	Edit Community Climate Action Plan Action LU-2.1.4 : "Explore and support innovative public transit options, such as <u>deploying low-emissions buses in neighborhoods with disproportionately poor air quality</u> , or developing a "first and last mile" plan to connect riders to public transit."	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Can the canopy goal be higher than 20% (Policy EJ2.1)?	<p>Staff recommends keeping the baseline goal at 20%. It is outside the scope and available resources of the EJ Element to conduct a careful study of current tree canopy, available planting spaces, and other considerations needed to develop amore nuanced goal. This careful study would be conducted as part of the proposed Urban Greening Master Plan (Action EJ2.1A), and the 20% goal can be adjusted based on the results of that study.</p> <p>The 20% urban tree canopy goal is based on 1) information about existing tree canopy (pg 3-19 TABLE 3-9, ranging in the Priority Communities from a low of 9% in Hayward Acres to a high of 19% in the San Lorenzo Priority Community census tract, and ranging in the reference populations from 12% in the San Lorenzo CDP to 22% in unincorporated Alameda County overall.); and 2) review of UTC goals set by other jurisdictions with similar climates and development patterns. The City of San Jose's Community Forest Management Plan (page 30), for example, set a goal of 20% UTC by 2051, and states that "While cities that develop into a forested area may experience 35%–40% canopy cover, 20% is considered a realistic baseline for San José."</p> <p><a href="https://www.sanjoseca.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/83642/637837331099770000">https://www.sanjoseca.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/83642/637837331099770000</a>.</p>	none	n/a

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11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	How will the programs and policies in the EJ Element be funded? Are we planning on a huge influx of staff and dollars to implement this? Will this document be used against County Agencies and Departments?	<p>The EJ Element is a long-range policy document that reflects Priority Community residents’ vision for a healthy and inclusive future and provides an equity-centered foundation for growth and community development in the unincorporated areas. It is outside the scope of the EJ Element – or of any General Plan element – to provide a detailed implementation budget or identify funding sources for all proposed measures. EJ Element implementation will require ongoing interagency collaboration and additional action from County agencies and departments, and will depend upon a variety of factors including as staff capacity, available funding, community priorities, and political support. The measures identified in the EJ Element reflect deep and ongoing engagement with both Priority Community residents and the County agencies and non-County entities that provide services in the Priority Communities. When it adopts the final, approved EJ Element, the Board of Supervisors will affirm the commitment of the County and its agencies and departments to work cooperatively toward the vision outlined in the document. The approved EJ Element will act as a guide to County agencies as they develop budgets and workplans. To ensure ongoing collaboration and accountability, the Planning Department will continue to engage these agencies in the implementation phase through the TAC.</p>	none	n/a

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11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Why is a CEQA exemption warranted?	The EJ Element is not subject to CEQA because it would not result in a direct or indirect negative physical change in the environment; on the contrary, the plan aims to enhance and protect the environment. The EJ Element is a community-wide plan focused on improving environmental conditions in the Priority Communities. It outlines a high-level vision for community health and wellness; it does not propose site-specific development activities. Any site-specific activities implemented in the future would require their own environmental analyses.	none	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Many of the issues identified in the EJ Element are not subject to local control (e.g. freeways). How does the EJ Element address issues outside of the County's direct control?	Non-County agencies (e.g. CalTrans, AC Transit, school districts, park districts, sanitary districts) are important parts of the health and wellness landscape in unincorporated Alameda County. While the County Board of Supervisors does not have direct control over outside agencies, the County has opportunities to partner, coordinate, and influence the activities of these agencies on behalf of unincorporated-area residents. Where the County does not have direct control, the EJ Element identifies non-County agencies as potential implementation partners, and names the County agency that would lead coordination with that external partner.	none	n/a



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11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Air quality along 238 is probably no different from air quality along 680 in Alamo. Why don't we hear about air quality issues in communities like Alamo?	<p>CalEnviroScreen 4.0 (link below) uses environmental, health, and socioeconomic information to produce scores for every census tract in the state. An area with a high score is one that experiences a much higher pollution burden than areas with low scores. The Priority Community census tracts have an average CalEnviroScreen 4.0 percentile score of 59 (with individual census tract percentiles ranging from 36 to 70 – see page 2-4 of the draft EJ Element). Some Alamo census tracts have diesel particulate matter percentile scores that are comparable to those of Alameda County's Priority Communities, but Alamo's overall CalEnviroScreen 4.0 scores are among the lowest in the state, ranging from zero to six, indicating that residents of Alamo are less vulnerable to the effects of freeway pollution.</p> <p>(CalEnviroScreen:<a href="https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/11d2f52282a54ceebcac7428e6184203/page/CalEnviroScreen-4_0/">https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/11d2f52282a54ceebcac7428e6184203/page/CalEnviroScreen-4_0/</a>)</p>	none	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Why is there an action related to the Hayward Executive Airport (Action EJ2.6C) when is not in our jurisdiction?	<p>In October of 2023, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced its final determination that emissions of lead from aircraft that operate on leaded fuel cause or contribute to air pollution which may reasonably be anticipated to endanger public health and welfare under the Clean Air Act. The Hayward Executive Airport's (HEA) "Airport Influence Area" extends into the Eden Area, as indicated in Figure 3-1 of the County's Hayward Executive Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan. Pollution generated as a result of activities at HEA has potential to impact the unincorporated communities in its influence area, so staff is proposing, through Action EJ2.6C, to consult with the Air District, HEA, and the City of Hayward to review emissions and identify potential mitigation measures.</p>	none	n/a

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11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Elaborate on how the Office of Unincorporated Services might take shape	How a new office or staff position would function and how it will be structured would be determined by the County Administrator’s Office and the Board of Supervisors. The pop-out on page 4-21 indicates some of the <i>potential</i> roles of this position, as envisioned by community stakeholders during the EJ Element Engagement process: similar to a City Manager, this could be a position with sufficient authority to drive implementation of Board-approved plans, provide a central point of contact for unincorporated-area community members, and ensure coordination between the various County agencies and departments that provide services to the unincorporated areas.	none	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Action EJ3.1B mentions development impact fees – where would these be sourced?	This measure does not dictate the creation of development fees specifically, but rather identifies development fees as one potential mechanism for equitably funding public facilities. The feasibility of this and other potential funding mechanisms would be discussed and explored in collaboration with community stakeholders and advisory bodies during the EJ Element implementation phase.	none	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	What is the Citizens’ Academy mentioned in Action EJ7.1F? Does it already exist?	The Alameda County Citizens’ Academy ( <a href="https://www.acgov.org/academies/citizens/">https://www.acgov.org/academies/citizens/</a> ) is an existing program of the County Administrator’s Office. It offers opportunities for community members throughout the County to network with other residents and increase their knowledge of County government and its impact. EJ Element Action 7.1F aims to increase unincorporated-area resident participation in this program in order to increase local civic engagement and build community leadership capacity.	none	n/a

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11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Not sure if “justice” is the right word to use in trying to improve the community, because it implies that there’s an injustice here. If there is an injustice, who is accountable for that injustice and what are we going to do about it?	The term “environmental justice” has been used since the 1980s and is distinct from "justice" used on its own. It describes the movement to relieve the disparate pollution burden and related health and quality of life outcomes faced by socially and economically marginalized communities. This document uses the term consistent with the language of Senate Bill (SB) 1000 ( <a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB1000">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB1000</a> ), which requires all cities and counties with disadvantaged communities to have environmental justice policies in their general plans. The EJ Element seeks to address and correct past or ongoing harms resulting from unjust policies, practices, and norms.	none	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Why doesn’t this document address trees in the rural unincorporated areas? We could plant many more trees in the rural parts of the County with sufficient water.	The rural unincorporated areas of the County are outside the project area for the EJ Element. Consistent with SB 1000, the EJ Element focuses on the County’s “disadvantaged” communities –the Priority Communities of Ashland, Cherryland, Hayward Acres, and parts of San Lorenzo and Castro Valley – and prioritizes policies and programs to improve environmental conditions in those communities.	none	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Does increasing access to public facilities mean that they would stay open longer?	Potentially - see Action EJ3.1D	none	n/a

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11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Will non-County actors be given authority to implement actions in the EJ Element, taking them out of County control? Where is the implementation process described?	As described in Chapter 5 (beginning page 5-2), EJ Element implementation will require ongoing collaboration and communication between County actors, external partners, and the community. The EJ Element does not identify any non-County entities as leads in measure implementation, though non-County entities may be identified as potential implementation partners alongside County agencies. Implementation of actions in the EJ Element will involve further community process (as with, for example, the creation of an Urban Greening Master Plan outlined in Action EJ2.1A), and the timeline and feasibility of implementation will depend upon factors such as staff capacity, available funding, political support, and community priorities.	none	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Action EJ2.6A mentions “uplifting needs” of the Priority Communities. Uplifting to whom? What is the accountability mechanism?	The implementation chart (Appendix A) identifies the Planning Department as the lead on this action. “Uplifting needs”, in this action, means that the Planning Department, through its Housing Element, will prioritize improvements and programs related to safe and sanitary homes that address the needs of disadvantaged communities, as required by SB 1000.	none	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Action EJ3.1C has the County encouraging itself to locate public facilities in unincorporated area. Who implements this?	The implementation chart (Appendix A) identifies the Board of Supervisors as the lead on this action.	none	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Action EJ3.1B – funding county-owned public facilities. This action proposes taking actions that increase price of housing and use those funds to develop facilities without knowing what those facilities are – taking from one pocket and putting in another	The feasibility of development impact fees and other potential funding mechanisms would be discussed and explored in collaboration with community stakeholders and advisory bodies during the EJ Element implementation phase. There would be a public process before any action would be taken on this measure, including identifying the types of public facilities that are needed.	none	n/a

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11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Action EJ6.7F – continue to support 211. What does that look like? Keeping funding intact?	The EJ Element identifies continued County support of 211alamedacounty.org as a community priority, but it does not dictate the form of that support, which will be determined during implementation and may include ongoing funding or other support mechanisms.	none	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Action EJ4.3A – lead poisoning prevention, who is the lead?	The implementation chart (Appendix A) identifies the Board of Supervisors and the CDA Healthy Homes Department as the leads on this action.	none	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Action EJ3.4B – AC Transit wants to reduce service, but Planning wants to address gaps, these seem at odds	The BOS cannot dictate the actions of AC Transit, but the County can prioritize collaborating with AC Transit to identify solutions to public transit access issues in the unincorporated areas.	none	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Kudos for efforts to incorporate a broad range of community feedback into revised draft	Comment received	none	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Support the EJ Element’s goals, but hesitate to support adoption because of lack of clarity about cost to County, absence of metrics, lack of accountability, and concerns that policies address symptoms rather than causes	Comment received and conveyed to Planning Commission	none	n/a
11/27/2023	Castro Valley MAC	Support the EJ Element’s emphasis on trees and urban greening – can we also consider policies that tie tree planting requirements to individual development projects, or two-to-one tree replacement requirements?	The processes for implementing Action EJ 2.1A (Urban Greening Master Plan) and Action EJ2.1B (considering tree protections on private property) will provide opportunities for in-depth discussion of issues like tree replacement requirements or tree planting requirements for development.	none	n/a
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	There are old gas stations everywhere, all over our communities. Is that the plan forever because remediation is too expensive? What are we doing about these blighted sites?	Action EJ3.1E reads “The County will pursue the development of vacant, underutilized, and/or blighted sites.” In general, development of vacant sites is market-driven. The mechanisms and opportunities for encouraging development of specific sites could be taken up for discussion by the Eden Area MAC's economic development subcommittee as part of EJ Element implementation.	none	n/a

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11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Policy EJ2.1 – MAC requests increase of urban tree canopy goal from 20% to 30%.	<p>Staff recommends keeping the baseline goal at 20%. It is outside the scope and available resources of the EJ Element to conduct a careful study of current tree canopy, available planting spaces, and other considerations needed to develop amore nuanced goal. This careful study would be conducted as part of the proposed Urban Greening Master Plan (Action EJ2.1A), and the 20% goal can be adjusted based on the results of that study.</p> <p>The 20% urban tree canopy goal is based on 1) information about existing tree canopy (pg 3-19 TABLE 3-9, ranging in the Priority Communities from a low of 9% in Hayward Acres to a high of 19% in the San Lorenzo Priority Community census tract, and ranging in the reference populations from 12% in the San Lorenzo CDP to 22% in unincorporated Alameda County overall.); and 2) review of UTC goals set by other jurisdictions with similar climates and development patterns. The City of San Jose’s Community Forest Management Plan (page 30), for example, set a goal of 20% UTC by 2051, and states that “While cities that develop into a forested area may experience 35%–40% canopy cover, 20% is considered a realistic baseline for San José.”  <a href="https://www.sanjoseca.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/83642/637837331099770000">https://www.sanjoseca.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/83642/637837331099770000</a>.</p>	none	n/a

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11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Why isn't all of San Lorenzo included in the Priority Communities? Will investment in the Priority Communities result in disinvestment in other communities?	The Priority Communities were identified consistent with SB 1000 and screening guidance published by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research ( <a href="https://www.opr.ca.gov/docs/20200706-GPG_Chapter_4_EJ.pdf">https://www.opr.ca.gov/docs/20200706-GPG_Chapter_4_EJ.pdf</a> ). Only one San Lorenzo census tract was identified through the screening process, which included looking at pollution and socioeconomic data and gathering community input about areas that are disproportionately burdened by pollution. While the EJ Element identifies policies and programs that specifically prioritize the needs of the County's disadvantaged communities, consistent with SB 1000, many of the EJ Element measures will benefit the greater urban unincorporated area overall, and none of the measures seeks to reduce services or programs in any areas of the County.	none	n/a
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Can the County commit to planting and maintaining trees in the public rights-of-way? The cost of tree maintenance is prohibitive for many residents and we risk losing existing tree canopy.	The development of the Urban Greening Master Plan (Action 2.1A) would offer an opportunity for in-depth community discussion of barriers and opportunities for increasing urban tree canopy, including discussing County tree planting and tree maintenance roles. Implementation of Action EJ 2.1E offers opportunity for further discussion as the Public Works Agency seeks to revise its Tree Program in support of trees in public rights-of-way.	none	n/a
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Who would hold responsibility for a Vision Zero Policy (Action EJ3.5E)?	The implementation chart (Appendix A) identifies the Board of Supervisors and the Public Works Agency as the leads on this action, though other agencies would likely also be involved.	none	n/a

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11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Can the EJ Element be more specific about where the Office of Unincorporated Services would sit in the County Structure, and its role?	How this proposed Department or Position will function and how it would be structured will be determined by the County Administrator’s Office and the Board of Supervisors. The pop-out on page 4-21 indicates some of the <i>potential</i> roles of this position, as envisioned by community stakeholders during the EJ Element Engagement process: similar to a City Manager, this could be a position with sufficient authority to drive implementation of Board-approved plans, provide a central point of contact for unincorporated-area community members, and ensure coordination between the various County agencies and departments that provide services to the unincorporated areas.	none	n/a
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Page 3-19 describes a 1000-year-old bay laurel tree in the Eden Area. How can we protect this tree?	Developing tree protections for private property (Action EJ2.1B) is one mechanism by which this historic tree, and other trees on private property, could be protected. The tree is also “eligible for local listing only” as a historic resource, and interested community members could nominate the tree for inclusion in the County Historical Register.	none	n/a
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Recommend presenting the draft EJ Element to HARD board and local school districts	HARD and local school districts participated in the development of the draft EJ Element via the Ashland Cherryland Healthy Communities Collaborative EJ Bucket. Staff is planning to present the revised draft EJ Element to the Collaborative in January 2024.	none	n/a
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Recommendation to partner with Royal Sunset School for tree planting	The tree planting actions under Policy EJ2.1 provide for partnerships with local schools and other partners; partnerships would be determined during implementation phase.	none	n/a



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11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Animals like bees and chickens are not called out as part of urban agriculture measures.	Policy 5.3 aims to promote urban agriculture, inclusive of animal husbandry. Action EJ5.3B addresses “animal husbandry,” or the keeping and care of domesticated animals such as chickens and bees. The <i>Local Food Production</i> section of Chapter 3 (page 3-40) describes existing regulations regarding keeping of livestock (chickens, etc) via an Animal Fanciers Permit.	none	n/a
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Expand Action EJ7.2E to include Board Appointees	Action EJ7.2E reads “The Community Development Agency will adopt standards of trauma-informed practice for public-facing staff and contractors.” CDA does not have authority over Board appointees and cannot expand this measure to include them, but can offer its standards as a model to the Board of Supervisors and other County agencies.	none	n/a
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Appreciate efforts to incorporate so many of the MAC’s comments into the revised draft	Comment received	none	n/a
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Support the idea of an Office of Unincorporated Services as a mechanism for holding County agencies accountable for implementation of Board-approved plans and policies	Comment received	none	n/a
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Request immediate action on implementation of sidewalk and pedestrian improvements	Comment received and conveyed to Planning Commission	none	n/a
11/29/2023	Eden Area MAC	Reiterated the need for a tree ordinance to protect trees on private property	Comment received and conveyed to Planning Commission	none	n/a
12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	A lot of the questions asked by the public around metrics and tracking are things we don’t know the answers to at this point, because this effort is new. It’s important to give yourselves permission to add metrics as you figure out what can be tracked	Noted for implementation.	none	n/a

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12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	Consider adding MERV or filtering requirements as a cheap and effective way of improving indoor air quality– Oakland added MERV requirements to its Housing Element.	Noted for implementation phase. Actions EJ2.2A and EJ2.2B propose working with BAAQMD and neighboring jurisdictions to establish an Air Pollution Exposure Zone ordinance to minimize air pollution exposure in areas impacted by poor air quality. MERV requirements will be considered as part of the APEZ ordinance process.	none	n/a
12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	Will implementation of the EJ Element require the Planning Department to increase staffing levels?	The Planning Department does not anticipate increasing staffing levels as a result of this plan. The department will seek funding/grants as available to supplement staff resources with consultants.	none	n/a
12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	Commend inclusion of Action EJ7.1B (Unincorporated Area Youth Commission) in EJ Element. Hayward has a successful youth commission – are there plans to consult with Hayward in implementation of this measure?	Staff reached out to the City of Hayward during the drafting of this measure, and would request to consult with them during implementation of Action EJ7.1B	none	n/a
12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	Re Action EJ7.1A (Office of Unincorporated Services) - Concerned about the proposed creation of another government department	Comment received	none	n/a
12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	Biggest concern is cost. The document contains a lot of good things, but it is scary to not know the cost of implementing what’s proposed in the EJ Element and not know where the money’s going to come from	It is outside the scope of the EJ Element – or of any General Plan element – to provide a detailed implementation budget or identify funding sources for all proposed measures. The implementation of goals, policies, and actions outlined in the EJ Element will require ongoing interagency collaboration and additional action from County agencies and departments, and will depend upon a variety of factors including as staff capacity, available funding, community priorities, and political support.	none	n/a

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12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	Re Action EJ2.1B - How is CE going to enforce a private property tree ordinance on top of their other work, they’ve just been saddled	These concerns would be addressed, and the details of enforcement determined, during the ordinance development process.	none	n/a
12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	Appreciated staff efforts to incorporate public comment through detailed revisions. EJ Element is an enjoyable read	Comment received	none	n/a

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12/18/2023	Planning Comm.	Great tree planting goal-- The County doesn't have as much experience with tree planting as some of our cities. Not all trees are created equal, e.g., some trees sequester carbon and filter particulates better than others. The County should prioritize planting trees in places where kids and vulnerable people assemble, e.g., schools, parks, etc. Recommend also including requirements for larger trees in general plan updates and creating a nexus around landscaping requirements. Make sure that tree policies are working together and not against each other, i.e. ACFD plus Planning/PWA, good trees vs dangerous trees, issue about species of tree. Get rid of eucalyptus, prioritize redwoods. County needs to put resources into this, look at examples from other jurisdictions	Noted for implementation. The processes for implementing Action EJ 2.1A (Urban Greening Master Plan) and Action EJ2.1B (considering tree protections on private property) will provide opportunities for in-depth discussion about tree species selection and placement, and nexuses with other general plan documents, WELO, etc.  Staff plans to add language to the Safety Element regarding dangerous trees, and to the CCAP recognizing the potential conflict between policies to increase tree canopy and policies to protect communities from wildfire and other hazards.	none	n/a