State Land Use Planning Advisory Council: Legislative History and Intent

Scott Carey, State Lands Planner
“Before examining the specifics of my budget proposal I respectfully invite the attention of the legislature to a recommendation to create a new division of Land Use Planning in the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources”

“This is my view, is an item of critical importance. The state has hired a statewide planner and also has implemented long range-planning in water resources. It is essential that we have companion effort with respect to land.”

• Governor Michael O'Callaghan State of the State Address before the 57th Legislature in 1973.
SLUPA Purpose

“a lack of state land use policy and planning and the increased size, scale, and impact of private actions have created a situation in which land use management decisions of wide public concern often are being made on the basis of expediency, tradition, short-term economic considerations and other factors which too frequently are unrelated or contradictory to sound environmental, economic, and social land use considerations.” Land Use Planning Act of 1973
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Land Use Planning Act of 1973

(a) Shall be appointed by the governor, at least one from each county.

(b) May represent urban and rural areas of the state.

(c) May include members of the city, county and regional planning commissions.
SB 212-1977

- Added in the local government planning support functions.
- Added in the ACEC designation powers.
- Refined the duties similar to today.
- Added in Executive Council and land use inconsistency resolution.
Resolution of Land Use Inconsistencies

• Technical expertise
• Local government dispute resolution
• Assist with enforcement of regulations or policies to solve the land use inconsistencies for SLUPA.
Areas of Critical Environmental Concern

State Land Use Planning Act of 1973
“any area in this state where uncontrolled development could result in irreversible degradation of more than local significance”.

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Areas of Critical Environmental Concern

SB 212 in 1977
“means any area in this state where there is or could develop irreversible degradation of more than local significance but does not include an area of depleting water supply which is caused by the beneficial use or storage of water in other areas pursuant to legally owned and fully appropriated water rights.”.

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Agendas and Areas of Critical Environmental Concern

• Identification
• Planning
• Designation
• Implementation
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