

**Notes from the December 29, 2008
Madera General Plan Update
Steering Committee Meeting**

Comment: Policy N-10 should reference "green coverage" for sound walls (or refer to the Community Design Element). Trees should also be used to make sound walls more attractive/less intrusive.

Comment: Another noise issue is "neighbor-to-neighbor" noise, such as motorcycles. City should look at updating its Noise Ordinance to provide more clear standards and times for objectionable noise.

Comment: The City should look at adding sound walls along portions of Hwy 99 where homes are at grade with the freeway.

Question: How old does a building have to be to be considered "historic"?

Question: Does the Americans with Disabilities Act apply to historic buildings?

Comment: The discussion of Native American history in the Historic and Cultural Resources Element needs to be expanded and improved (commentor promised to send additional info).

Comment: Look at recent Housing ordinance adopted by the City of Fresno and consider adopting a similar ordinance in Madera.