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**Envision San Jose 2040 General Plan Update Task Force
c/o Andrew Crabtree
City of San Jose Dept. of Planning, Building, & Code Enforcement
200 E. Santa Clara St, 3rd Floor
San Jose, CA 95113-1905**

Re: North Coyote

Dear Task Force Members:

The Foster family, my family, and the Benson family own over eighty acres in North Coyote.

We recommend that a broader industrial use be considered for a portion of North Coyote Valley rather than the existing Campus Industrial designation. This is based on the lack of large undeveloped railroad served industrial land left within the City of San Jose, on the large amount of existing acreage designated for Campus Industrial, and on recent interest expressed by industries that fit an Industrial Park designation better than Campus Industrial zoning requirement.

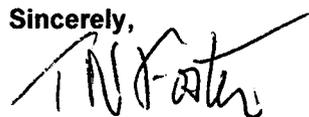
We are sure that you are aware that an Industrial Park designation can maintain a landscape park setting along public streets while serving industries. Many industrial parks in the Bay Area employed a landscape architect during the design process and required those development guidelines be used by the land buyers. One of the first was the Crocker Park in Brisbane developed by Crocker Land Company. This prestigious mixed use industrial park is approximately 50 years old and continues to maintain a park like environment.

The area we believe should be considered for a broader industrial designation is approximately 200 acres bounded by the Union Pacific right-of-way, Bailey Avenue, Santa Teresa Blvd., and the San Jose City southern boundary. The Foster and Benson properties that we own are approximately 80 acres in the center of this area.

In summary, it is a highly competitive market for cities to create jobs and to attract an industrial base. Businesses seeking sites need to make relatively quick decisions and do not want to go through the time consuming task of amending a General Plan. It is recommended that you approve a broader and less restrictive General Plan designation for selected sites.

Thank you for considering our recommendation.

Sincerely,



Thomas N. Foster