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Improvement council opposes energy plan

The Council of Improvement Associations has come out against the so-called "Energy Future Plan," and is asking the county Board of Supervisors to defer further action.

The board, on a 3-2 vote earlier this month, approved two ordinances "in concept." The ordinances would require new energy efficient standards on new homes and existing homes up for sale in the unincorporated area.

The ordinances are to be considered again by the board following environmental review.

The Council of Improvement Associations, which represents five organizations in the Aptos-Rio del Mar area, also is proposing the formation of a "countywide, broad-based committee" to consider the energy measures.

The association claims the authors of the Energy Future Plan "constitute a coalition of special interests that is not truly representative of the views or interests of the majority of county residents."

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