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We need to build more infill housing and pedestrian/cyclist infrastructure to reduce emissions in a cost-effective way. The IEPR Scoping Order must align with the state's goals and the 2022 Scoping Plan Update, which emphasizes the importance of sustainable land use, housing policy, and reducing car dependency. This will require a focus on infill development, VMT reduction, and micromobility/walking as transportation modes. Building decarbonization scenarios that consider our housing needs are also essential. Let's prioritize compact, mixed-use development in existing urban and inner suburban areas, and avoid building single family housing in exurban sprawl areas.

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