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Ignoring the people

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In response to the IJ's review of the May 30 forum in which Supervisor Steve Kinsey called the much-debated Plan Bay Area "a slam dunk," the supervisor said he has not been given another plan.

But it's looking more like he represents gargantuan special interests beyond Marin.

Many thanks should go to moderator Judge Verna Adams, Supervisor Kinsey and Napa County Supervisor Mark Luce for their regional approach to the debate. Nationally established experts Randal O'Toole of the Cato Institute and Thomas Rubin, an Oakland-based transportation consultant, presented ample evidence that the supervisors' political positions on Plan Bay Area are a move toward a major loss of control over the quality of life in Marin.

Regionalism has been carefully crafted to remove people's choice on matters of power — language, borders and culture.

Because Supervisor Kinsey is blatantly ignoring what people want, in order to accommodate what planners want, he no longer represents his constituents here in Marin when it comes to Plan Bay Area.