



# From Controversy to Solution Series



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

## What on Earth Are We Doing?: How Today's Decisions on Land Use, Water, & Energy Affect Our Future

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- Is it possible to achieve energy independence in San Diego? What steps can we take to lessen our chances of having a future energy crisis?
- Do we have enough water? What conservation measures can we implement now to ensure an adequate supply?
- How can we design our communities in a way that will result in the least impact to our water and energy supplies?
- How can individuals, businesses, and government work together to protect the environment for future generations?

**Join us as we discuss the issues and create collaborative solutions.**



### Panel:

**Councilmember Donna Frye** has been an environmental activist since the early 1980s. She is committed to clean water issues and has played a central role in obtaining millions of dollars to clean up Mission Bay. She has also worked to strengthen San Diego's policies for runoff pollution prevention to require posted warning signs in front of storm drains and monitoring of the discharges at storm drain outfalls.

**Irene Stillings** is the Executive Director for the San Diego Regional Energy Office. She has 28 years of experience in the energy industry during which she held various executive positions at New York State Electric & Gas Corporation. She has also served in leadership positions on numerous national committees and is an active spokesperson at the state and national level.

**Marco Gonzalez** is the Senior Staff Attorney and Director of the Environmental Law and Policy Clinic for the San Diego BayKeeper, an advocacy group focused on protecting San Diego's bays, beaches, and watersheds. He is also the Legal Counsel for the Surfrider Foundation, San Diego Chapter.

**Matthew Adams** is the Director of Governmental Affairs for the Building Industry Association (BIA) of San Diego County. He is an outspoken advocate for home building association members, which include homebuilders, remodelers, subcontractors, architects, engineers, and designers. The BIA focuses on removing barriers to housing construction and creating affordable housing in San Diego.

**Adam Gamboa** represents the perspective of the generation that will be most affected by the decisions we make today. He is a law intern at the Land Use Clinic at the University of San Diego. He is a second year law student at USD with a focus on Real Estate Law. He attended the University of California at Berkeley as an undergraduate with a Political Science major.

**Community Members: You are invited to join our discussion. We want to hear your voice about the conservation issues that matter to you the most. Add your perspective and suggestions for what the City can do to promote sound decisions for our future.**

**Date:** Wednesday, December 10, 2003 **Time:** 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM **Next Forum:** March 25, 2004

All meetings will be held in the Santa Fe Room (near the Aerospace Museum) at Balboa Park 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

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