



Planning and Conservation League

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Re: No CEQA Exemption for a Football Stadium In Downtown Los Angeles

AEG, owner of the Staples Center, wants a CEQA Exemption for a new NFL Football Stadium in Downtown Los Angeles

Another CEQA Exemption to support speculation:

There is no team under contract!

- No Precedent! That's what the Legislature said last year when it enacted a special law for a football stadium in the City of Industry. Yet AEG is pointing to that law to justify its request.
- No Exemption! The law passed last year did not give the City of Industry stadium an exemption. That project had been the subject of a full EIR and had committed to mitigation measures identified in the EIR.
- No Early Immunity! Last year the action on the City of Industry granted judicial immunity for the project, but not until the EIR was completed and three lawsuits were settled and one lawsuit could not be settled.
- No Need! The Staples Center itself was subject to a full EIR. There is no reason a new football stadium cannot manage the same process.