

Thanks to Save Rural Angwin

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Thanks to the impressive work of Save Rural Angwin, Pacific Union College was acknowledged by Newsweek magazine as the country's most beautiful college.

Save Rural Angwin, in partnership with Adventists for the Preservation of Pacific Union College's Heritage, defeated the "ecovillage" project, which would initially have put 591 housing units in the center of Angwin and ultimately 1153. Had the PUC Board of Trustees had their way, the college would have been disfigured permamently.

Supervisor Dillon, in her November 2012 - Statewide Propositions and Countywide Ballot Measures bulletin, states, "It is clear to me that most residents of Angwin do not want extensive urban-type development to occur there. Further, the infrastructure (water, wastewater, road systems) does not exist to support it."

Had the "ecovillage" become a reality, who would have paid for the infrastructure and services a city needs? Who would have paid the bills for a city approaching the size of Calistoga? We the taxpayers would have been presented with the bill, and we would have had to pay it not once but yearly.

For years PUC has had the right to build 191 units for staff and faculty. Yet the Board hasn't given the order to drive a nail. What they want is something much bigger, much more profitable, especially when we the taxpayers have to support it. Now the PUC Board of Trustees and developers are preparing another "surprise" for Angwin. The best way to stop these never-ending efforts to destroy Angwin's rural character and to pave over agricultural lands is to vote Yes on Measure U.

Again, thanks to Save Rural Angwin.

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