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FROM: Victor Pottorff, Deputy Executive Director
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SUBJECT: GROWTH MANAGEMENT BRIEFING

As many of you know the Governor was expected to reveal his growth management proposal during the State of the State Address on January 8. Due to the budget crisis and economic situation of the State other more pressing issues were highlighted in his speech.

However, Richard Sybert, Chair of the Governor's Growth Advisory Council, assures CSAC that this remains a high priority for the Governor, which will be addressed during his term. The Council recently issued their recommendations to the Governor for his consideration. Actual proposals will follow soon. Rich and Carol Whiteside, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Relations with the Resources Agency requested a briefing with CSAC representatives to discuss the growth management recommendations of the Council.

Early indications from the Council reveal that the proposals fall short in the area of local government fiscal reform. As you know this is imperative to CSAC, particularly since the growth proposal promotes compact urban development and designated growth and no growth zones. This in effect would support growth within incorporated areas without addressing the service costs to counties. CSAC believes that it is very important to send the message at this meeting that sales and property tax reforms must be a part of any growth management solution. This is consistent with the CSAC growth management policy currently under consideration by the CSAC Executive Committee and Board of Directors.

A pre-meeting is scheduled at CSAC at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, February 3, 1992, followed by the briefing from 10:30 a.m. - NOON. A luncheon will be planned following the briefing. **Please respond to Sandi Reynolds at (916) 327-7512 regarding your attendance by Tuesday, January 28.**

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