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## Administrative, Land Use & Environmental Law

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Seltzer Caplan McMahon Vitek's Administrative, Land Use, and Environmental attorneys help developers and owners identify possibilities and solve problems when it comes to land use and environmental law.

From downtown San Diego to communities throughout San Diego County, California and the United States, SCMV has been involved in numerous developments involving a broad range of legal issues, with a particular strength in helping to resolve issues before litigation.

As we are deeply integrated into the region, our firm is often brought into projects as special counsel to help developers and their attorneys successfully and efficiently journey through San Diego's unique development, regulatory, and community terrain.

Our attorneys regularly lead negotiations with government officials from city, county, state, and federal agencies during entitlement and project development, and also advocate for clients before regulatory bodies. Along with longtime local clients, we also represent national developers and their architects.

We also have wide-ranging experience addressing environmental issues that arise under federal, state and local environmental laws. In particular, we assist numerous clients in working with government agencies to resolve contamination problems at a variety of sites, and to evaluate and allocate risk from environmental liabilities in real property transactions.

If litigation is filed challenging a project after it is approved, our attorneys have a strong record defeating such challenges in trial and appellate courts.

We are honored to be ranked one of the "Best Law Firms" in the nation in the area of Land Use & Zoning Law by the *US News & World Report* and *Best Lawyers*®.

### Services

- Planning and Zoning
- Property Acquisition
- Government entitlements under general, master and specific plans
- CEQA and NEPA compliance
- California Coastal Commission review of coastal development projects
- Infrastructure Financing Agreements
- Development Agreements
- Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) matters
- Eminent Domain
- Impact Fees
- Public-private partnerships
- Environmental contamination problems
- Litigation defending project approvals

### Representative Matters

- SCMV has particular expertise at both the state and federal level with environmental law including litigation involving National Environmental Policy Act, California Environmental Quality Act, Environmental Protection Act, Clean Water Act and the Clean Air Act.