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I would like to see the following changes made to the Economic Development Element.

ED-G8 Change the existing language to the following: Provide financial opportunities and incentives that enhance productive agricultural, mineral resources, timber and coastal dependent lands.

Policies- add ED-P* to state the following: Natural Resource Development- Encourage development of biofuels and energy utilizing agricultural and timber resources

Investments- add ED-P* to state the following: Support research and development of infrastructure needed for biofuels and energy processing.

Partnership- add ED-P* to state the following: Resource Development Research. Partner with USDA research stations, State Forest Lands and educational facilities to provide needed information to develop sustainable biofuels and energy processing.

These could be incorporated as alternative C to the existing language.