

SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



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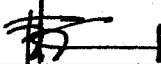
FROM: TLMA - Planning Department

SUBMITTAL DATE:  
June 13, 2013

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. 2013-125 – Riverside County Housing Element (GPA No. 1097)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. **ADOPT** the **NEGATIVE DECLARATION for ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. 42371**, based upon the findings incorporated in the initial study and the conclusion that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment; and,
2. **ADOPT** of **RESOLUTION NO. 2013-125** amending the Riverside County General Plan by incorporating the 4<sup>th</sup> RHNA Cycle Update of the Housing Element in place of the Housing Element, as adopted October 4, 2005.

  
Frank Coyle, Deputy Director for  
Carolyn Syms Luna, Planning Director

Initials: CSL:ar  
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FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

There are no General Funds used in this project.

Positions To Be  
Deleted Per A-30 ☐

Requires 4/5 Vote ☐

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

County Executive Office Signature

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Jeffries, seconded by Supervisor Ashley and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

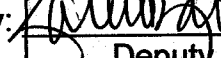
Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Stone, Benoit and Ashley

Nays: None

Absent: None

Date: 2013 June 25, 2013  
xc: Planning, Recorder

Kecia Harper-Ihem  
Clerk of the Board

By:   
Deputy

Prev. Agn. Ref. 4-30-13/16-2

District: ALL

Agenda Number:

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**BACKGROUND:**

The General Plan Amendment (GPA No. 1097) proposes an update to the Housing Element (Chapter 8) for the Riverside County General Plan in accordance with, and incorporating revisions, approved by the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for the planning period of January 2006 - July 2014.

The County of Riverside Housing Element is an integral part of the County's overall General Plan. This Element assesses the current and future housing needs of all income groups and formulates goals, policies and programs to address those needs for the unincorporated areas of Riverside County. Riverside County's housing needs have been identified by the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA), prepared by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) in conjunction with the State of California for the planning period of January 2006 - July 2014. The Housing Element's goals, policies and programs are intended to address the County's affordable housing needs as identified by the RHNA and guide the County toward achieving these needs through the 8 ½ year planning period. The Housing Element is mandated by the State of California Office of Planning and Research as one of the seven required elements of a General Plan.

At the March 20, 2013 Planning Commission meeting, the Commission recommended (5-0 vote) adoption of the Negative Declaration for the environmental assessment and approval of the General Plan Amendment.

At the April 30, 2013 Board of Supervisors meeting, the Board adopted the Negative Declaration and tentatively approved GPA 1097 (4-0-1 vote, Supervisor Stone absent).

The Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission Staff Report is attached for more information and details.

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3 RESOLUTION NO. 2013-125  
4 AMENDING THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY GENERAL PLAN  
5 AND ADOPTING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 1097  
6 RIVERSIDE COUNTY HOUSING ELEMENT  
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8 WHEREAS, the County of Riverside adopted the Riverside County Housing Element Update  
9 1998-2005, Revised Edition, on October 4, 2005 (2005 Housing Element) through Resolution No. 2005-  
10 430 adopting General Plan Amendment No. 733; and,

11 WHEREAS, the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)  
12 certified the 2005 Housing Element; and,

13 WHEREAS, the Western County Council of Governments established the 4<sup>th</sup> Regional Housing  
14 Needs Assessment (RHNA) Cycle, which gave updated allocations and unit counts pursuant to the  
15 Regional Housing Need Allocation and required an update to the Riverside County Housing Element for  
16 the planning period 2006-2014; and,

17 WHEREAS, the County of Riverside worked diligently during the 2007-2013 period to prepare  
18 the 4<sup>th</sup> RHNA Cycle Update of the Housing Element (Housing Element) to comply with State law and to  
19 meet the requirements of HCD; and,

20 WHEREAS, on February 8, 2013, a third draft of the Housing Element was submitted to HCD for  
21 review; and,

22 WHEREAS, on April 12, 2013, HCD determined that the Housing Element met the statutory  
23 requirements and was eligible for certification upon its adoption by the Riverside County Board of  
24 Supervisors; and,

25 WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 65350 et seq., notice was  
26 given and public hearings were held before the Riverside County Board of Supervisors on April 30, 2013  
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1 and before the Riverside County Planning Commission on March 20, 2013, to consider General Plan  
2 Amendment No. 1097 (GPA No. 1097), an amendment to adopt the Housing Element; and,

3 WHEREAS, the Riverside County Airport Land Use Commission reviewed the Housing Element  
4 and determined it to be consistent with the Riverside County Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan,  
5 provided that certain sites contained within the vacant land inventory (GPA No. 1097, Appendix A ) were  
6 removed as they would potentially conflict with airport noise, safety-impacted zones and airport influence  
7 areas; and,

8 WHEREAS, the changes requested by the Riverside County Airport Land Use Commission are  
9 hereby incorporated into the Housing Element as an addendum thereto; and,

10 WHEREAS, all provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and Riverside  
11 County CEQA implementing procedures have been satisfied; and,

12 WHEREAS, GPA No. 1097 was discussed fully with testimony and documentation presented by  
13 the public and affected government agencies; now, therefore,

14 BE IT RESOLVED, FOUND, DETERMINED AND ORDERED by the Board of Supervisors of  
15 the County of Riverside, in regular session assembled on June 25, 2013, that:

16 GPA No. 1097 is a County-initiated general plan amendment that contains the Housing Element  
17 and has County-wide application. GPA No. 1097 deletes and replaces in its entirety the 2005 Housing  
18 Element with the Housing Element. The Planning Commission recommended approval of GPA No. 1097  
19 on March 20, 2013 and the Board of Supervisors tentatively adopted GPA No. 1097 on April 30, 2013. In  
20 accordance with Government Code Section 65583 and the HCD Housing Element Guidelines, the  
21 Housing Element consists of the following:

- 22 1. Identifies and analyzes existing and projected housing needs.
- 23 2. Includes a statement of goals, policies, quantified objectives, financial resources and  
24 scheduled programs for the preservation, improvement and development of housing in the  
25 unincorporated area of Riverside County.
- 26 3. Identifies and analyzes adequate sites for housing.

4. Identifies and analyzes governmental and non-governmental constraints on the maintenance, preservation, improvement or development of housing.
5. Sets forth programs for providing housing based on existing and projected needs of all economic segments of the unincorporated area.
6. Reviews the results of the 2005 Housing Element's goals, policies, objectives, and programs to analyze the differences between previous projections and actual achievements.
7. Describes goals, policies, objectives, and programs of the 2005 Housing Element and incorporate lessons from the 2005 Housing Element.
8. Includes goals, policies, and quantified objectives relative to the maintenance, preservation, improvement, and development of housing.
9. Sets forth a five-year implementation program describing the programs or actions the County is undertaking or intends to undertake to implement the policies and achieve the goals and objectives of the Housing Element.
10. Contains a description of public participation in the development of the Housing Element, including the involvement of citizens, community and public interest organizations, building and real estate industry representatives, the Riverside County Housing Technical Advisory Committee, and the County's General Plan Advisory Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, based on the evidence presented on this matter, both written and oral, including Environmental Assessment No. 42371, that:

1. The Housing Element RHNA includes the following:
  - a. An analysis of current and projected population and housing characteristics and quantification of existing and projected housing needs for all income levels.
  - b. A housing lands inventory including an analysis of vacant land in relation to residential development by income and housing need.
  - c. An analysis of potential constraints upon the maintenance, improvement, and development of housing for all income levels.

- d. A description of local efforts to remove the governmental constraints that could hinder the County from meeting its fair share of the regional need for housing for very low, low, and moderate income households.
- e. An inventory of housing resources and summary of available programs available to implement the programs and achieve the objectives of the Housing Element.
- f. An inventory and analysis of assisted units at risk of conversion.
- g. An identification of zones where emergency shelters are allowed as a permitted use without a conditional use or other discretionary permit.
- h. An analysis of any special housing needs.
- i. An analysis of opportunities for energy conservation with respect to residential development.

2. Based on the conditions and required rezoning program included with the April 12, 2013 letter from HCD, the Housing Element would result in increased population and housing levels beyond those allowed by the Land Use Element of the Riverside County General Plan and the Area Plan Land Use Maps associated therewith. The rezoning program is included in the Housing Element's five year implementation program.

3. New housing developments implemented as a result of the Housing Element's new and updated programs are subject to Riverside County General Plan goals, policies, and development standards. They will also require review and mitigation of environmental impacts under the Land Use, Circulation, Multipurpose Open Space, Safety, Noise, Air Quality, and Administration Elements of the General Plan, as well as County ordinances. Such developments would be subject to CEQA review and mitigation on a project-by-project basis provided that the specific project is not exempt from governmental review. Restoration and rehabilitation activities occurring as a result of new and updated programs in the Housing Element could also be subject to environmental analysis and mitigation if they are not exempt from CEQA review.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, based on the evidence presented on  
2 this matter, both written and oral, including Environmental Assessment No. 42371, that:

- 3 1. The Housing Element is incorporated into the Riverside County General Plan and its  
4 Appendices A, B-1, B-2, and C are included in the Riverside County General Plan  
5 Appendices.
- 6 2. The Housing Element's Appendices A, B-1, B-2 and C relate to vacant lands available for  
7 housing, availability of infrastructure and parcels eligible for rezoning.
- 8 3. The Housing Element contains an adequate assessment of Riverside County housing  
9 needs, provides appropriate housing goals, policies, and objectives and includes a five-year  
10 implementation program to address County housing needs.
- 11 4. The Housing Element complies with the legislative intent and requirements of Government  
12 Code section 65583.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, based on the evidence presented on  
14 this matter, both written and oral, including Environmental Assessment No. 42371, that:

- 15 1. GPA No. 1097 does not involve a change in or conflict with the Riverside County Vision,  
16 any General Plan Principle, or a Foundation Component designation in the General Plan.  
17 GPA No. 1097 consists of the Housing Element that promotes the Riverside County Vision  
18 by identifying the various income levels and associated housing needs for each category.  
19 The Housing Element also identifies funding opportunities, establishes programs and  
20 policies and prescribes responsibilities for County departments to implement such  
21 programs and policies. The Riverside County Vision is promulgated by integrating the  
22 Housing Element into the General Plan. Also, the General Plan provides several principles  
23 that establish direction for land use, economic and housing development. Specifically, the  
24 General Planning Principles provide that the Housing Element should be revised to adopt  
25 policies that address the real-world projections of overall housing growth and demand for  
26 housing of varied type, style, price and density, which encourage a wide range of choices  
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1 and opportunities within the framework of the larger economy and the realities of the  
2 marketplace. GPA No. 1097 includes the updated Housing Element and specifically  
3 implements this principle. Additionally, GPA No. 1097 is a policy amendment that  
4 amends the Housing Element and sets forth the programs and policies to address the  
5 County's affordable housing needs. The Housing Element is not classified in any Land Use  
6 Foundation or Designation, therefore, integrating the Housing Element into the General  
7 Plan will not cause a change or conflict with any Foundation Component designation in the  
8 General Plan.

9 2. GPA No. 1097 will either contribute to the purposes of the General Plan or, at a minimum,  
10 would not be detrimental to them for the reasons specified above.

11 3. The Housing Element is one of the seven General Plan elements mandated by State law.  
12 GPA No. 1097 updates the Housing Element in order to comply with the requirements of  
13 HCD and State law.

14 4. The findings of the initial study performed pursuant to Environmental Assessment No.  
15 42371, attached hereto, are incorporated herein by reference. The initial study concluded  
16 that GPA No. 1097 would not have a significant effect on the environment and a Negative  
17 Declaration was prepared.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that it **ADOPTS** the Negative  
19 Declaration for Environmental Assessment No. 42371 and **ADOPTS** General Plan Amendment No. 1097  
20 as described herein.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that the custodians of the documents  
22 upon which this decision is based are the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and the County Planning  
23 Department, and that such documents are located at 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California.

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2 RESOLUTION NO. 2013 – 125

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4 AMENDING THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY GENERAL PLAN  
AND ADOPTING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 1097  
5 RIVERSIDE COUNTY HOUSING ELEMENT

6 ADOPTED by Riverside County Board of Supervisors on June 25, 2013.

7 ROLL CALL:

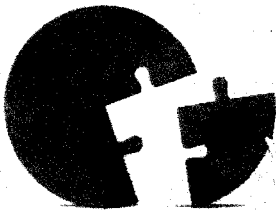
8 Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Stone, Benoit and Ashley  
9 Nays: None  
10 Absent: None

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13 The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by said Board of  
Supervisors on the date therein set forth.

14 KECIA HARPER-IHEM, Clerk of said Board

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16 By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

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Carolyn Syms Luna  
Director

# RIVERSIDE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Original Negative Declaration/Notice of  
Determination was routed to County  
Clerks for posting on.

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Date

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TO: ☐ Office of Planning and Research (OPR)  
P.O. Box 3044  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044  
☒ County of Riverside County Clerk

FROM: Riverside County Planning Department  
☒ 4080 Lemon Street, 12th Floor  
P. O. Box 1409  
Riverside, CA 92502-1409

☐ 38686 El Cerrito Road  
Palm Desert, California 92211

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21152 of the California Public Resources Code.

General Plan Amendment (GPA) No. 1097 and Environmental Assessment No. 42371  
Project Title/Case Numbers

Adam Rush  
County Contact Person

(951) 955-6646  
Phone Number

N/A  
State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to the State Clearinghouse)

County of Riverside  
Project Applicant

4080 Lemon Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Riverside, Ca 92502  
Address

Countywide  
Project Location

The project proposes an update to the Housing Element for the Riverside County General Plan in accordance with and incorporating revisions, approved by the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for the planning period of January 2006 - July 2014. The County of Riverside Housing Element is an integral part of the County's overall General Plan. This element assesses the current and future housing needs of all income groups and formulates goals, policies and programs to address those needs for the unincorporated areas of Riverside County. Riverside County's housing needs have been identified by the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA), prepared by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) in conjunction with the State of California for the planning period of January 2006 - July 2014. The Housing Element's goals, policies and programs are intended to address the County's affordable housing needs as identified by RHNA and guides the County in achieving these needs through the 8 1/2 year planning period. The Housing Element is mandated by the State of California Office of Planning and Research as one of the seven required elements of a General Plan.

This is to advise that the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, as the lead agency, has approved the above-referenced project on \_\_\_\_\_ and has made the following determinations regarding that project:

1. The project WILL NOT have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Negative Declaration was prepared for the project pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (\$50.00).
3. Mitigation measures WERE NOT made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan/Program WAS NOT adopted.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations WAS NOT adopted for the project.

This is to certify that the Negative Declaration, with comments, responses, and record of project approval is available to the general public at: Riverside County Planning Department, 4080 Lemon Street, 12th Floor, Riverside, CA 92501.

  
Signature

Principal Planner

Title

6/25/13

Date

Date Received for Filing and Posting at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

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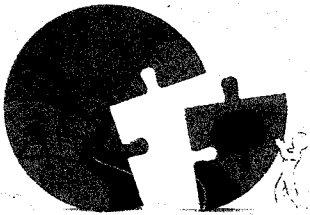
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Carolyn Syms Luna  
Director

# RIVERSIDE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

## NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Project/Case Number: General Plan Amendment No. 1097 and Environmental Assessment No. 42371

Based on the Initial Study, it has been determined that the proposed project will not have a significant effect upon the environment.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION, LOCATION (see Environmental Assessment).

### COMPLETED/REVIEWED BY:

By: Adam Rush Title: Principal Planner Date: April 30, 2013

Applicant/Project Sponsor: County of Riverside Date Submitted: February 28, 2013

### ADOPTED BY: Board of Supervisors

Person Verifying Adoption: [Signature] Date: 6/25/13

The Negative Declaration may be examined, along with documents referenced in the initial study, if any, at:

Riverside County Planning Department, 4080 Lemon Street, 12th Floor, Riverside, CA 92501

For additional information, please contact Adam Rush at (951) 955-6646

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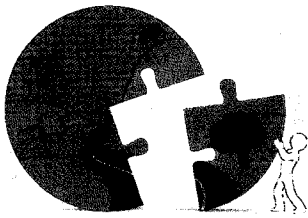
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# RIVERSIDE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Carolyn Syms Luna  
Director

DATE: June 13, 2013

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TO: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Planning Department – Riverside Office

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. 2013-125 – Riverside County Housing Element (GPA No. 1097)  
(Charge your time to these case numbers)

**The attached item(s) require the following action(s) by the Board of Supervisors:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Place on Administrative Action (Receive & File; EOT)                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Set for Hearing (Legislative Action Required; CZ, GPA, SP, SPA)        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Labels provided If Set For Hearing                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Publish in Newspaper:  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 10 Day <input type="checkbox"/> 20 Day <input type="checkbox"/> 30 day | **SELECT Advertisement**  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Place on Consent Calendar  | <input type="checkbox"/> **SELECT CEQA Determination**  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Place on Policy Calendar (Resolutions; Ordinances; PNC)     | <input type="checkbox"/> 10 Day <input type="checkbox"/> 20 Day <input type="checkbox"/> 30 day |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Place on Section Initiation Proceeding (GPIP)                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Notify Property Owners (app/agencies/property owner labels provided)   |
|   | Controversial: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO              |

**Designate Newspaper used by Planning Department for Notice of Hearing: Not applicable**

**Documents to be sent to County Clerk's Office for Posting within five days:**

Negative Declaration  
California Department of Fish & Wildlife Receipt (CFG05956)

**Do not send these documents to the County Clerk for posting until the Board has taken final action on the subject cases.**

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P.O. Box 1409, Riverside, California 92502-1409  
(951) 955-3200 • Fax (951) 955-1811

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Palm Desert, California 92211  
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"Planning Our Future... Preserving Our Past"

Agenda Item No.: 3.4  
Area Plan: Countywide  
Zoning Area: Countywide  
Supervisory District: Countywide  
Project Planner: Adam Rush  
Planning Commission: March 20, 2013

GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 1097  
E.A. Number: 42371  
Applicant: County of Riverside  
Engineer/Representative: County of Riverside

## COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE PLANNING DEPARTMENT STAFF REPORT

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION:

**GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 1097** proposes an update to the Housing Element (Chapter 8) for the Riverside County General Plan in accordance with, and incorporating revisions, approved by the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for the planning period of January 2006 - July 2014.

The County of Riverside Housing Element is an integral part of the County's overall General Plan. This Element assesses the current and future housing needs of all income groups and formulates goals, policies and programs to address those needs for the unincorporated areas of Riverside County. Riverside County's housing needs have been identified by the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA), prepared by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) in conjunction with the State of California for the planning period of January 2006 - July 2014. The Housing Element's goals, policies and programs are intended to address the County's affordable housing needs as identified by the RHNA and guide the County toward achieving these needs through the 8 ½ year planning period. The Housing Element is mandated by the State of California Office of Planning and Research as one of the seven required elements of a General Plan.

The primary objective of the County's Housing Element is proposed within the Five-Year Action Plan. The Action Plan sets forth the programs and policies that are associated with achieving the County's affordable housing needs and provides direction to various County Departments responsible for the funding and implementation of the housing policies. The Five-Year Action Plan is identified within Table H-74 of the Housing Element and is incorporated herein by reference. The programs, policies, and associated funding opportunities establish the framework for additional work efforts and programming of County-wide programs, ordinances, and General Plan policies related to the provision of housing across all income categories. In no case, do the policies and programs identified in Table H-74 constitute a project in themselves as defined by the CEQA Implementation Guidelines (Section 21065). The programs and policies constitute the County's comprehensive implementation plan of its housing policies and reiterate, build upon, and moderate existing programs, policies, and operations of the County of Riverside.

### FURTHER PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The Planning Department resubmitted a corrected version of the Housing Element to the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) on February 14, 2012 for review and certification. The Department held a conference call with HCD Staff on April 17, 2012 to review the corrections and answer questions of HCD Staff. On April 19, 2012, the Planning Director received an additional comment letter from HCD for consideration, which is attached herein. The Planning Department resubmitted the final draft, along with the incorporated corrections responding to the April 19, 2012 comment letter, and additional programs and policies, to the HCD on February 13, 2013 for review. As of this writing, the County has scheduled a follow up with HCD staff the first week of March. The Planning Commission can take action to recommend the tentative approval to the Board while final certification of the Housing Element is pending from HCD.

In addition, the County also received two comments from project stakeholders; including the California Rural Legal Assistance (CRLA) on April 17, 2012 and Pueblo Unido on December 14, 2011 which are attached herein.

### **Citizen Participation**

The California Government Code requires that local governments make diligent efforts to solicit public participation from all economic segments of the community, especially low-income persons, in the development of the Housing Element. During the preparation of this Housing Element update, public input was actively encouraged in a variety of ways. The public participation effort included:

- Community Workshops held at three locations within Riverside County
  - December 14, 2010 – Western Riverside County
  - November 16, 2010 – Eastern Riverside County
  - December 14, 2011 – Eastern Riverside County
- Workshops held by the Riverside County Housing Technical Advisory Committee
- Workshops held by the General Plan Advisory Committee
- Study sessions by the Riverside County Planning Commission
- Public Hearings held before the Riverside County Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors

Notice of all public workshops and hearings was provided to the County's list of interested parties, which included representatives of low-income and special needs groups, non-profit and for-profit housing developers, community organizations, and other governmental agencies. In addition, to accommodate the needs of Spanish-speaking residents, the County provided the services of qualified translators at community workshops. A list of the interested parties that submitted written comments are included below:

*California Rural Assistance League (CRLA) – December 30, 2010*

*Pueblo Unido – December 14, 2011*

Interested parties that submitted verbal comments and questions during the workshops are also detailed below:

*Riverside County Housing Authority*

*City of Murrieta*

*Mr. Juan Perez (private citizen)*

Public notices of each meeting were published in three ways; first the County placed advertisements in the print publications of highest circulation given the subject area. For the eastern County locations, this included the Desert Sun newspaper and for the western County, the Press Enterprise. In addition, to the public advertisement, the County transmitted over 282 individual hard copy notifications of the meetings, copies of which are attached herein. Lastly, these same notifications were transmitted via electronic mail to participants, interested parties and stakeholders that had previously indicated interest in the Housing Element document and public participation process. In regards to the two comment letters received, changes to the Housing Element were made with respect to clarifications, additions, and modifications to provisions for *Extremely Low Income Households, Farm worker programs and policies, and establishment of a rezoning and affordable housing ordinance program to accommodate additional incentives to increase the housing stock within these particular sub-areas.*

The Final Draft of the Housing Element was also provided to the Department of Housing and Community Development for review and comment, as required by law. Efforts to involve the public in the preparation of the final element included Spanish radio public service announcements, newspaper notices for community meetings in both English and Spanish, direct mail notices to for-profit and non-profit affordable housing developers and other interested housing advocates.

**The Planning Department recommends that the Planning Commission recommends the following actions to the Board of Supervisors:**

**ADOPTION** of a **NEGATIVE DECLARATION** for **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESMENT NO. 42371**, based on the findings incorporated in the initial study and the conclusion that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment; and,

**APPROVAL** of **GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 1097**, based upon the findings and conclusions incorporated in the staff report and pending final adoption of a resolution by the Board of Supervisors.

**FINDINGS:**

1. The project is a Countywide project and contains various land use designations. The Housing Element will not directly impact any land use designation within the unincorporated County.
2. The project will provide for low income housing opportunities that are consistent with the underlying zoning and general plan designations of the parcels identified in the Housing Element vacant land inventory.
3. The project is a countywide project that includes a variety of zoning classifications. The project will provide for low income residential development that is consistent with the underlying zoning classifications of the parcels identified in the Housing Element vacant land inventory.
4. The project is located within Criteria Cell Areas of the Western Riverside Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan and the Coachella Valley Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan.

**CONCLUSIONS:**

1. The proposed General Plan Amendment will not include a change or conflict with the Riverside County Vision.

2. The Riverside County Vision Statement (Chapter 2 of the General Plan) identifies the "richly varied range of income categories" available within the County and also states that "housing is available in every increment of this range". The Housing Element is a promotion of this General Plan Vision by identifying the various income levels and associated housing needs that need to be met for each category. The Housing Element identifies funding opportunities, establishes programs and policies, and prescribes responsibilities for several County departments to implement the policies established as part of the Housing Element. Therefore, by integrating the Housing Element into the General Plan, the County's vision is promulgated and would not change or conflicted with by the addition of an updated Housing Element.
3. The proposed General Plan Amendment will not include a change or conflict with any General Plan Principle.
4. The General Plan provides several Principles that establish direction for land use, economic, and housing development. Specifically, subsection D of Appendix B (General Planning Principles) states that "the Housing Element should be revised to adopt policies that address the real-world projections of overall housing growth and demands for housing of varied type, style, price and density, which encouraging a wide range of choices and opportunities within the framework of the larger economy and the realities of the marketplace." The County's updated and revised Housing Element specifically implements these provisions. As shown in Table H-74 of the attached Housing Element, programs and policies are proposed within the County's Five-Year Action Plan to meet the overall housing demands in the County for all specified income categories (Extremely Low, Very Low, Low, Moderate, and Above Moderate). Therefore, by integrating the Housing Element into the General Plan, the County's General Planning Principles are promoting in regards to Housing (subsection D of Appendix B) and the proposed General Plan Amendment would not change or conflicted with by the addition of an updated Housing Element.
5. The proposed General Plan Amendment will not include a change or conflict with any Foundation Component designation in the General Plan.
6. The County's updated Housing Element and associated General Plan Amendment is a policy document that sets forth programs and policies to address the County's affordable housing needs. The General Plan Amendment proposes to amend the Housing Element of the General Plan, which is not classified in any Land Use Foundation or Designation. Therefore, the integration of the Housing Element into the General Plan will not cause a change or conflict with any Foundation Component designation in the General Plan.
7. The proposed General Plan Amendment is required to comply with an update of the Housing Element or change in State Housing Element law.
8. The Housing Element is one of the seven General Plan elements mandated by the State of California, as articulated in Sections 65580 to 65589.8 of the Government Code. State law requires that the Housing Element consists of "an identification and analysis of existing and projected housing needs and a statement of goals, policies, quantified objectives, and scheduled programs for the preservation, improvement and development of housing." The residential character of the County is, to a large extent, determined by the variety of its housing and the location and maintenance of the housing. The Housing Element is an official response to the need to provide housing for all economic segments of the population. It establishes policies that



will guide County decision making, and sets forth an action program to implement housing goals through 2014.

9. State law also requires that jurisdictions evaluate its Housing Element every 5 years to determine its effectiveness in achieving County and State housing goals and objectives, and to adopt an updated Housing Element that reflects the results of this evaluation. Due to delays in the statewide regional housing needs assessment (RHNA) cycle, the current statutory update in the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) region covers the planning period January 1, 2006 through June 30, 2014. The County's Housing Element represents a comprehensive update of its housing element to bring it into compliance with State housing law and to meet the statutory update requirement.
10. The adoption of the Riverside County Housing Element will not adversely impact the environment. Potentially significant environmental effects of the proposal were analyzed during the initial study, Environmental Assessment No. 42371.
11. The amendment may facilitate land development and thereby indirectly have impacts on the environment; however, it is not expected that the proposed Housing Element itself would substantially affect the environment. Project level environmental review to address and/or mitigate, if necessary, any environmental concerns will be required for any future development. Project specific developments will also be reviewed for consistency with the Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP).
12. Article 10.6 of the State of California Government Code (Sections 65580-65590) requires all localities within the State of California to adopt housing elements as part of their general plans. Article 10.6 also requires that draft and adopted housing elements be submitted to HCD for review and compliance with State law.

#### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

1. As of this writing, two written comment letters and several oral comments have been received through the County's public outreach efforts for the Riverside County Housing Element Update.
2. Community Workshops held in three locations around Riverside County.
  - a. December 14, 2010 – Western Riverside County
  - b. November 16, 2010 – Eastern Riverside County
  - c. December 14, 2011 – Eastern Riverside County
  - d. Workshops held by the Riverside County Housing Technical Advisory Committee
  - e. Workshops held by the General Plan Advisory Committee
3. Attachments Included:
  - a. Housing Element Policy Document
  - b. Housing Element Appendices A-C
  - c. Environmental Assessment
  - d. Public Comments
  - e. Land Use Exhibits

# **COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE**

## **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM: INITIAL STUDY**

**Environmental Assessment (E.A.) Number:** 42371

**Project Case Type (s) and Number(s):** General Plan Amendment No. 1097 (GPA01097)

**Lead Agency Name:** County of Riverside Planning Department

**Address:** (Mailing) P.O. Box 1409, Riverside, CA 92502-1409

(To View Document) 4080 Lemon Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Riverside CA

**Contact Person:** Adam B. Rush, Principal Planner

**Telephone Number:** (951) 955-6646

**Applicant's Name:** County of Riverside

**Applicant's Address:** 4080 Lemon Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, P.O. Box 1409, Riverside CA 92502

### **I. PROJECT INFORMATION**

#### **Project Description:**

**GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 1097** proposes an update to the Housing Element for the Riverside County General Plan in accordance with and incorporating revisions, approved by the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for the planning period of January 2006 - July 2014. The County of Riverside Housing Element is an integral part of the County's overall General Plan. This element assesses the current and future housing needs of all income groups and formulates goals, policies and programs to address those needs for the unincorporated areas of Riverside County. Riverside County's housing needs have been identified by the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA), prepared by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) in conjunction with the State of California for the planning period of January 2006 - July 2014. The Housing Element's goals, policies and programs are intended to address the County's affordable housing needs as identified by RHNA and guides the County in achieving these needs through the 8 ½ year planning period. The Housing Element is mandated by the State of California-Office of Planning and Research as one of the seven required elements of a General Plan.

The primary objective of the County's Housing Element is proposed within the Five Year Action Plan. The Action Plan sets forth the programs and policies that are associated with achieving the County's Affordable Housing needs and provides direction to various County Departments responsible for the funding and implementation of the Housing Policies. The Five Year Action Plan is identified within Table H-74 of the Housing Element and is incorporated by reference herein. The programs, policies, and associated funding opportunities establish the framework for additional work efforts and programming of County policies, ordinance, and General Plan policies related to the provision of housing across all income levels. In no case, do the policies and programs identified in Table H-74 constitute a project in themselves as defined by the CEQA Implementation Guidelines (Section 21065). The programs and policies constitute the County's comprehensive implementation plan of its housing policies and reiterate, build upon, and moderate existing programs, policies, and operations of the County of Riverside.

Incorporated herein by reference of the Housing Element are the major provisions provide through the County's Five-Year Action Plan, included within this project description, and analyzed within the attached Initial Study. Broader descriptions of the County's policies are contained within the Housing Element. The Five-Year Action and the Housing Element in its entirety does not propose, nor will the Element or any part therein, require or promote a physical change to the environment of the County of Riverside. In addition, no building, construction, land use changes, rezoning, relocation, and/or planned of required physical change to the environment within the County's jurisdiction will occur or be impacted by the Housing Element.

A. **Type of Project:** Site Specific ☐; Countywide ☒; Community ☐; Policy ☒.

B. **Total Project Area:** Countywide (unincorporated areas)

Residential Acres: N/A  
Commercial Acres: N/A  
Industrial Acres: N/A  
Other: N/A

Lots: N/A  
Lots: N/A  
Lots: N/A

Units: N/A  
Sq. Ft. of Bldg. Area: N/A  
Sq. Ft. of Bldg. Area: N/A

Projected No. of Residents: N/A  
Est. No. of Employees: N/A  
Est. No. of Employees: N/A

C. **Assessor's Parcel No(s):** All APN's within Riverside County

D. **Street References:** All Publically maintained streets within Riverside County

E. **Section, Township & Range Description or reference/attach a Legal Description:** "Varies Countywide"

F. **Brief description of the existing environmental setting of the project site and its surroundings:** Varies Countywide

II. **APPLICABLE GENERAL PLAN AND ZONING REGULATIONS:** Varies Countywide

A. **General Plan Elements/Policies:**

1. **Land Use:** Varies Countywide
2. **Circulation:** Varies Countywide
3. **Multipurpose Open Space:** Varies Countywide
4. **Safety:** Varies Countywide
5. **Noise:** Varies Countywide
6. **Housing:** Varies Countywide
7. **Air Quality:** Varies Countywide

B. **General Plan Area Plan(s):** Varies Countywide

C. **Foundation Component(s):** Varies Countywide

D. **Land Use Designation(s):** Varies Countywide

E. **Overlay(s), if any:** Varies Countywide

F. **Policy Area(s), if any:** Varies Countywide

G. **Adjacent and Surrounding Area Plan(s), Foundation Component(s), Land Use Designation(s), and Overlay(s) and Policy Area(s), if any:** Varies Countywide

H. **Adopted Specific Plan Information**

1. **Name and Number of Specific Plan, if any:** Not Applicable
2. **Specific Plan Planning Area, and Policies, if any:** Not Applicable

I. Existing Zoning: Varies Countywide

J. Proposed Zoning, if any: Not Applicable

K. Adjacent and Surrounding Zoning: Varies Countywide

### III. ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED

The environmental factors checked below ( x ) would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" or "Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aesthetics                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Hazards & Hazardous Materials | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture & Forest Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrology / Water Quality     | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation / Traffic           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Air Quality                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Use / Planning           | <input type="checkbox"/> Utilities / Service Systems        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biological Resources           | <input type="checkbox"/> Mineral Resources             | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Resources             | <input type="checkbox"/> Noise                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Geology / Soils                | <input type="checkbox"/> Population / Housing          | <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory Findings of Significance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greenhouse Gas Emissions       | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Services               |   |

### IV. DETERMINATION

On the basis of this initial evaluation:

#### A PREVIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT/NEGATIVE DECLARATION WAS NOT PREPARED

☒ I find that the proposed project **COULD NOT** have a significant effect on the environment, and a **NEGATIVE DECLARATION** will be prepared.

☐ I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project, described in this document, have been made or agreed to by the project proponent. **A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION** will be prepared.

☐ I find that the proposed project **MAY** have a significant effect on the environment, and an **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT** is required.

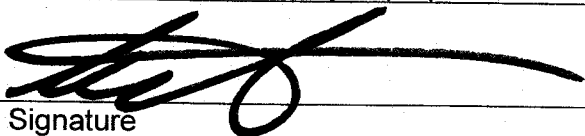
#### A PREVIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT/NEGATIVE DECLARATION WAS PREPARED

☐ I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, **NO NEW ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION IS REQUIRED** because (a) all potentially significant effects of the proposed project have been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or Negative Declaration pursuant to applicable legal standards, (b) all potentially significant effects of the proposed project have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or Negative Declaration, (c) the proposed project will not result in any new significant environmental effects not identified in the earlier EIR or Negative Declaration, (d) the proposed project will not substantially increase the severity of the environmental effects identified in the earlier EIR or Negative Declaration, (e) no considerably different mitigation measures have been identified and (f) no mitigation measures found infeasible have become feasible.

☐ I find that although all potentially significant effects have been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or Negative Declaration pursuant to applicable legal standards, some changes or additions are necessary but none of the conditions described in California Code of Regulations, Section 15162 exist. An **ADDENDUM** to a previously-certified EIR or Negative Declaration has been prepared and will be considered by the approving body or bodies.

☐ I find that at least one of the conditions described in California Code of Regulations, Section 15162 exist, but I further find that only minor additions or changes are necessary to make the previous EIR adequately apply to the project in the changed situation; therefore a **SUPPLEMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT** is required that need only contain the information necessary to make the previous EIR adequate for the project as revised.

☐ I find that at least one of the following conditions described in California Code of Regulations, Section 15162, exist and a **SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT** is required: (1) Substantial changes are proposed in the project which will require major revisions of the previous EIR or negative declaration due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects; (2) Substantial changes have occurred with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken which will require major revisions of the previous EIR or negative declaration due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects; or (3) New information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the previous EIR was certified as complete or the negative declaration was adopted, shows any the following: (A) The project will have one or more significant effects not discussed in the previous EIR or negative declaration; (B) Significant effects previously examined will be substantially more severe than shown in the previous EIR or negative declaration; (C) Mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible, and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measures or alternatives; or, (D) Mitigation measures or alternatives which are considerably different from those analyzed in the previous EIR or negative declaration would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project on the environment, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measures or alternatives.

  
Signature

February 28, 2012

Date

Adam Rush  
Printed Name

For Carolyn Syms Luna,  
Planning Director

## V. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES ASSESSMENT

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code Section 21000-21178.1), this Initial Study has been prepared to analyze the proposed project to determine any potential significant impacts upon the environment that would result from construction and implementation of the project. In accordance with California Code of Regulations, Section 15063, this Initial Study is a preliminary analysis prepared by the Lead Agency, the County of Riverside, in consultation with other jurisdictional agencies, to determine whether a Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration, or an Environmental Impact Report is required for the proposed project. The purpose of this Initial Study is to inform the decision-makers, affected agencies, and the public of potential environmental impacts associated with the implementation of the proposed project.

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<b>AESTHETICS</b> Would the project				
<b>1. Scenic Resources</b>				
a) Have a substantial effect upon a scenic highway corridor within which it is located?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings and unique or landmark features; obstruct any prominent scenic vista or view open to the public; or result in the creation of an aesthetically offensive site open to public view?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Source: RCIP and CEQA, Article 11, Section 15169

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

### 2. Mt. Palomar Observatory

a) Interfere with the nighttime use of the Mt. Palomar Observatory, as protected through Riverside County Ordinance No. 655?

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Source: RCIP and CEQA, Article 11, Section, 15169

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**Mitigation:** No additional mitigation is required beyond conformance to adopted ordinances.

**Monitoring:** None Required

### 3. Other Lighting Issues

a) Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?

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b) Expose residential property to unacceptable light levels?

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**Mitigation:** None Required

**Monitoring:** None Required

## AGRICULTURE & FOREST RESOURCES Would the project

### 4. Agriculture

a) Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland) as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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b) Conflict with existing agricultural zoning, agricultural use or with land subject to a Williamson Act contract or land within a Riverside County Agricultural Preserve?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Cause development of non-agricultural uses within 300 feet of agriculturally zoned property (Ordinance No. 625 "Right-to-Farm")?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Source:

Findings of Fact: (a) Policy 1.1.c, pages 19-20 promote the funding and development of agricultural worker housing. Policy 1.2.b provides for funding opportunities to assist in the rehab of substandard agricultural worker housing and/or mobile homes for agricultural workers, which may exist within agricultural lands; Policy 1.3d provides incentives for agricultural housing; Policy 2.1c provides incentives under the Agricultural Housing Loan program; there have been recent upgrades to existing mobile homes as part of the program;

(b) The Housing Element requires the preparation of a site inventory and constraints analysis for parcels included within this inventory. The properties included within the County's site inventory do not conflict between parcels identified for housing and parcels included within an agricultural preserve. Properties located within a preserve were not included in the site inventory analysis due to the inability of these sites to provide for an adequate housing stock.

c) & d) The development of non-agriculture uses within 300-feet of agriculturally zoned property through the development of both public and private affordable housing projects. In either case, projects will be required to comply with County Ordinance No.625 which will eliminate any potential conflicts. Furthermore, public and private housing projects will not involve a change to the existing environment which will result in a conversion of Farmland to non-agricultural uses (See finding (b) above).

Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

**5. Forest**

a) Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Govt. Code section 51104(g))?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b) Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of forest land to non-forest use?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



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**Mitigation:** None Required

**Monitoring:** None Required

#### **AIR QUALITY** Would the project

##### **6. Air Quality Impacts**

a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Expose sensitive receptors which are located within 1 mile of the project site to project substantial point source emissions?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Involve the construction of a sensitive receptor located within one mile of an existing substantial point source emitter?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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expected that the proposed changes in the Housing Element itself would substantially affect the environment.

Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### **BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES** Would the project

##### **7. Wildlife & Vegetation**

a) Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Conservation Community Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state conservation plan?

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b) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any endangered, or threatened species, as listed in Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (Sections 670.2 or 670.5) or in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations (Sections 17.11 or 17.12)?

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c) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U. S. Wildlife Service?

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d) Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?

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e) Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service?

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f) Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?

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g) Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### **CULTURAL RESOURCES** Would the project

##### **8. Historic Resources**

a) Alter or destroy an historic site?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in California Code of Regulations, Section 15064.5?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

##### **9. Archaeological Resources**

a) Alter or destroy an archaeological site.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Section 15064.5?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Restrict existing religious or sacred uses within the potential impact area?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### 10. Paleontological Resources

a) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource, or site, or unique geologic feature?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### GEOLOGY AND SOILS Would the project

##### 11. Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zone or County Fault Hazard Zones

a) Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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b) Be subject to rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault?

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**Mitigation:** None Required

**Monitoring:** None Required

## 12. Liquefaction Potential Zone

a) Be subject to seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?

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**Mitigation:** None Required

**Monitoring:** None Required

## 13. Ground-shaking Zone

Be subject to strong seismic ground shaking?

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### 14. Landslide Risk

a) Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, collapse, or rockfall hazards?

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### 15. Ground Subsidence

a) Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in ground subsidence?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### 16. Other Geologic Hazards

a) Be subject to geologic hazards, such as seiche, mudflow, or volcanic hazard?

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### 17. Slopes

a) Change topography or ground surface relief features?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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b) Create cut or fill slopes greater than 2:1 or higher than 10 feet?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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c) Result in grading that affects or negates subsurface sewage disposal systems?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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expected that the proposed changes in the Housing Element itself would substantially affect the environment.

Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### 18. Soils

a) Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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b) Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Section 1802.3.2 of the California Building Code (2007), creating substantial risks to life or property?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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c) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### 19. Erosion

a) Change deposition, siltation, or erosion that may modify the channel of a river or stream or the bed of a lake?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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b) Result in any increase in water erosion either on or off site?

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

**20. Wind Erosion and Blowsand from project either on or off site.**

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a) Be impacted by or result in an increase in wind erosion and blowsand, either on or off site?

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Monitoring: None Required

**GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS** Would the project

**21. Greenhouse Gas Emissions**

a) Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?

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b) Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS Would the project

##### 22. Hazards and Hazardous Materials

a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or an emergency evacuation plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Monitoring: None Required

### 23. Airports

a) Result in an inconsistency with an Airport Master Plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b) Require review by the Airport Land Use Commission?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, or heliport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Monitoring: None Required

### 24. Hazardous Fire Area

a) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Monitoring: None Required

## HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY Would the project

### 25. Water Quality Impacts

a) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner that would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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b) Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?

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c) Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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d) Create or contribute runoff water that would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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e) Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area, as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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f) Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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g) Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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h) Include new or retrofitted stormwater Treatment Control Best Management Practices (BMPs) (e.g. water quality treatment basins, constructed treatment wetlands), the operation of which could result in significant environmental effects (e.g. increased vectors or odors)?

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Monitoring: None Required

## 26. Floodplains

Degree of Suitability in 100-Year Floodplains. As indicated below, the appropriate Degree of Suitability has been checked.

NA - Not Applicable ☒ U - Generally Unsuitable ☐ R - Restricted ☐

a) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner that would result in flooding on- or off-site?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Changes in absorption rates or the rate and amount of surface runoff?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam (Dam Inundation Area)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Changes in the amount of surface water in any water body?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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Monitoring: None Required

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<b>LAND USE/PLANNING</b> Would the project				
<b>27. Land Use</b>				
a) Result in a substantial alteration of the present or planned land use of an area?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Affect land use within a city sphere of influence and/or within adjacent city or county boundaries?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Monitoring: None Required

<b>28. Planning</b>				
a) Be consistent with the site's existing or proposed zoning?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b) Be compatible with existing surrounding zoning?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c) Be compatible with existing and planned surrounding land uses?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d) Be consistent with the land use designations and policies of the Comprehensive General Plan (including those of any applicable Specific Plan)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e) Disrupt or divide the physical arrangement of an established community (including a low-income or minority community)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### **MINERAL RESOURCES** Would the project

##### **29. Mineral Resources**

a) Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region or the residents of the State?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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b) Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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c) Be an incompatible land use located adjacent to a State classified or designated area or existing surface mine?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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d) Expose people or property to hazards from proposed, existing or abandoned quarries or mines?

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Monitoring: None Required

#### **NOISE** Would the project result in

##### **Definitions for Noise Acceptability Ratings**

Where indicated below, the appropriate Noise Acceptability Rating(s) has been checked.

NA - Not Applicable

A - Generally Acceptable

B - Conditionally Acceptable

C - Generally Unacceptable

D - Land Use Discouraged

##### **30. Airport Noise**

a) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport would the

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project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels? NA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/>				
b) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels? NA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Source: RCIP and CEQA, Article 11, Section 15169

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

<b>31. Railroad Noise</b>				
NA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

<b>32. Highway Noise</b>				
NA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

### 33. Other Noise

NA ☒ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ ☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

### 34. Noise Effects on or by the Project

a) A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project? ☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

b) A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project? ☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

c) Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other ☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

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agencies?				
d) Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive ground-borne vibration or ground-borne noise levels?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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**Mitigation:** None Required

**Monitoring:** None Required

#### POPULATION AND HOUSING Would the project

##### 35. Housing

a) Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Create a demand for additional housing, particularly housing affordable to households earning 80% or less of the County's median income?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Affect a County Redevelopment Project Area?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Cumulatively exceed official regional or local population projections?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Source: Government Code Section 65583.5

**Findings of Fact:** The Housing Element is one of the seven General Plan elements mandated by the State of California, as articulated in Sections 65580 to 65589.8 of the Government Code. State law requires that the Housing Element consists of "an identification and analysis of existing and projected housing needs and a statement of goals, policies, quantified objectives, and scheduled programs for the preservation, improvement and development of housing." The residential character of the County

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is, to a large extent, determined by the variety of its housing and the location and maintenance of the housing. The Housing Element is an official response to the need to provide housing for all economic segments of the population. It establishes policies that will guide County decision making, and sets forth an action program to implement housing goals through 2014.

State law also requires that jurisdictions evaluate its Housing Element every 5 years to determine its effectiveness in achieving County and State housing goals and objectives, and to adopt an updated Housing Element that reflects the results of this evaluation. Due to delays in the statewide regional housing needs assessment (RHNA) cycle, the current statutory update in the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) region covers the planning period January 1, 2006 through June 30, 2014. The County's Housing Element represents a comprehensive update of its housing element to bring it into compliance with State housing law and to meet the statutory update requirement.

Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

**PUBLIC SERVICES** Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered government facilities or the need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services:

**36. Fire Services**

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Source:

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

**37. Sheriff Services**

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Mitigation:** None Required

**Monitoring:** None Required

### 38. Schools

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Mitigation:** None Required

**Monitoring:** None Required

### 39. Libraries

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Monitoring: None Required

#### 40. Health Services

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### RECREATION

##### 41. Parks and Recreation

a) Would the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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b) Would the project include the use of existing neighborhood or regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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c) Is the project located within a Community Service Area (CSA) or recreation and park district with a Community Parks and Recreation Plan (Quimby fees)?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Source: RCIP, CEQA Article 11 Section 15169

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Monitoring: None Required

**42. Recreational Trails**

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

**TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC** Would the project

**43. Circulation**

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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a) Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing a measure of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation, including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit?

b) Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including, but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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c) Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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d) Alter waterborne, rail or air traffic?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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e) Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g. farm equipment)?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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f) Cause an effect upon, or a need for new or altered maintenance of roads?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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g) Cause an effect upon circulation during the project's construction?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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h) Result in inadequate emergency access or access to nearby uses?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
i) Conflict with adopted policies, plans or programs regarding public transit, bikeways or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise substantially decrease the performance or safety of such facilities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Monitoring: None Required

<b>44. Bike Trails</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### **UTILITY AND SERVICE SYSTEMS** Would the project

<b>45. Water</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
a) Require or result in the construction of new water treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental				

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effects?

b) Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### 46. Sewer

a) Require or result in the construction of new wastewater treatment facilities, including septic systems, or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental effects?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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b) Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider that serves or may service the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required



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<b>47. Solid Waste</b>				
a) Is the project served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Does the project comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid wastes including the CIWMP (County Integrated Waste Management Plan)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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Monitoring: None Required

<b>48. Utilities</b>				
Would the project impact the following facilities requiring or resulting in the construction of new facilities or the expansion of existing facilities; the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				
a) Electricity?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b) Natural gas?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c) Communications systems?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d) Storm water drainage?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Street lighting?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f) Maintenance of public facilities, including roads?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g) Other governmental services?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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expected that the proposed changes in the Housing Element itself would substantially affect the environment.

Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### 49. Energy Conservation

a) Would the project conflict with any adopted energy conservation plans?

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Mitigation: None Required

Monitoring: None Required

#### OTHER

50. Other: Not Applicable

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#### MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE

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| 51. Does the project have the potential to substantially degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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Source: Staff review, Project Application Materials, RCIP and CEQA, Article 11, Section 15169

Findings of Fact: Implementation of the proposed project would not substantially degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife populations to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, or reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory.

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| 52. Does the project have impacts which are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, other current projects and probable future projects)? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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53. Does the project have environmental effects that will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Source: Staff review, Project Application Materials, RCIP and CEQA, Article 11, Section 15169

Findings of Fact: According to the introduction of the Riverside County General Plan, the Housing Element "assesses current and projected housing needs, and sets out policies and proposals for the improvement of housing and the provision of adequate sites for housing to meet the needs of all economic segments of the County." As such, this proposal will not directly impact the environment but will address the impacts of the subject policy on the County as opposed to the impacts of project specific, site development on the County. Project level environmental review to address and/or mitigate, if necessary, any environmental concerns will be required for any future development. The amendment may facilitate land development and thereby indirectly have such impacts, but it is not expected that the proposed changes in the Housing Element itself would substantially affect the environment. The proposed project would not result in environmental effects which would cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly.

## VI. EARLIER ANALYSES

Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration as per California Code of Regulations, Section 15063 (c) (3) (D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:

Earlier Analyses Used, if any: Riverside County General Plan EIR No. 441

Location Where Earlier Analyses, if used, are available for review:

Location: County of Riverside Planning Department  
4080 Lemon Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Riverside, Ca 92502

## VII. AUTHORITIES CITED

Authorities cited: Public Resources Code Sections 21083 and 21083.05; References: California Government Code Section 65088.4; Public Resources Code Sections 21080(c), 21080.1, 21080.3, 21082.1, 21083, 21083.05, 21083.3, 21093, 21094, 21095 and 21151; *Sundstrom v. County of Mendocino* (1988) 202 Cal.App.3d 296; *Leonoff v. Monterey Board of Supervisors* (1990) 222 Cal.App.3d 1337; *Eureka Citizens for Responsible Govt. v. City of Eureka* (2007) 147 Cal.App.4th 357; *Protect the Historic Amador Waterways v. Amador Water Agency* (2004) 116 Cal.App.4th at 1109; *San Franciscans Upholding the Downtown Plan v. City and County of San Francisco* (2002) 102 Cal.App.4th 656.

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