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NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETINGS

To: State Clearinghouse, Responsible and Trustee Agencies, and Interested Individuals
Date: August 15, 2011
Subject: Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report and Notice of Public Scoping Meetings
Project: Los Angeles County General Plan and Antelope Valley Area Plan Updates
Lead Agency: Los Angeles County

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that County of Los Angeles, through the Department of Regional Planning (Department), will be the Lead Agency for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the project described below.

PROJECT INFORMATION: The project is a comprehensive update of the Los Angeles County General Plan and the Antelope Valley Area Plan. The project includes goals, policies, implementing programs and ordinances. The project covers the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County and accommodates new housing and employment opportunities in anticipation of population growth in the County and the region. The General Plan Update and Antelope Valley Area Plan Update focus growth in the unincorporated areas with access to services and infrastructure and reduce the potential for growth in the County's environmentally sensitive and hazardous areas. The project will replace the adopted General Plan (excluding the Housing Element, adopted in 2008) and the adopted Antelope Valley Area Plan.

For additional information on the General Plan Update please visit <http://planning.lacounty.gov/generalplan> or contact the General Plan Section at (213) 974-6417 or genplan@planning.lacounty.gov.

For additional information on the Antelope Valley Area Plan Update please visit <http://planning.lacounty.gov/tnc> or contact the Community Studies North Section at (213) 974-6476 or tnc@planning.lacounty.gov.

NOTICE OF PREPARATION: A Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the EIR, which describes the project and outlines the potential environmental impacts, has been prepared. The NOP will be available for review from **August 15, 2011** to **September 14, 2011** on the Department of Regional Planning's website at <http://planning.lacounty.gov/generalplan>, <http://planning.lacounty.gov/tnc>, and at the following locations:

Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning – 320 W. Temple St., Los Angeles, CA 90012, (213) 974-6417

Agoura Hills Library – 29901 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, CA 91301, (818) 889-2278

Avalon Library – 215 Sumner Ave., Avalon, CA 90704, (310) 510-1050

Florence Library – 1610 E. Florence Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90001, (323) 581-8028

La Crescenta Library – 2809 Foothill Blvd., La Crescenta, CA 91214, (818) 248-5313

Lancaster Regional Library - 601 W. Lancaster Blvd., Lancaster, CA 93534, (661) 948-5029

Lennox Library – 4359 Lennox Blvd., Lennox, CA 90304, (310) 674-0385

Littlerock Library – 35119 80th Street East, Littlerock, CA 93543, (661) 944-4138

Rowland Heights Library – 1850 Nogales St., Rowland Heights, CA 91748, (626) 912-5348

South Whittier Library – 14433 Leffingwell Rd., Whittier, CA 90604, (562) 946-4415

Temple City Library – 5939 Golden West Ave., Temple City, CA 91780, (626) 285-2136

Valencia Library – 23743 W. Valencia Blvd., Santa Clarita, CA 91355, (661) 259-8942

View Park Library – 3854 W. 54th St., Los Angeles, CA 90043, (323) 293-5371

The Department is seeking input from both agencies and members of the public on the scope and content of the environmental information and analysis to be contained in the EIR. Due to the time limits mandated by State law, written comments must be sent via mail, e-mail, or fax no later than 5:00 PM on Wednesday, September 14, 2011. Please send your comments at the earliest possible date to either of the contacts below:

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PUBLIC SCOPING MEETINGS: Pursuant to the California Public Resources Code Section 21803.9, Los Angeles County will conduct two public scoping meetings. These meetings will provide a public forum for information dissemination and dialogue regarding the components of the proposed project, the overall process, and the draft EIR. While staff will summarize the issues raised at these meetings, anyone wishing to make formal comments on the NOP must do so in writing. The public scoping meetings will be held at the times and places listed below:

Date: September 8, 2011
Time: 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Location: Los Angeles County
Department of Regional Planning
320 W. Temple Street, Room 150
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Date: September 6, 2011
Time: 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Location: Lancaster Regional Library
601 W. Lancaster Blvd.
Lancaster, CA 93534