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NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of San Diego, Department of Planning and Land Use will be the Lead Agency and will prepare an Environmental Impact Report in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act for the following projects. The Department is seeking public and agency input on the scope and content of the environmental information to be contained in the Environmental Impact Report. A Notice of Preparation document, which contains a description of the probable environmental effects of the project, can be reviewed on the World Wide Web at http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/dplu/ceqa_public_review.html and at the Department of Planning and Land Use (DPLU), Project Processing Counter, 5201 Ruffin Road, Suite B, San Diego, California 92123. Comments on the Notice of Preparation document must be sent to the DPLU address listed above and should reference the project number and name.

POD 11-011, TIERED EQUINE ORDINANCE. The project proposes amendments to the County of San Diego Zoning Ordinance for equine uses. The amendments consist of clarifications, deletions, and revisions to provide an updated set of definitions, procedures and standards for review and permitting of equine uses, specifically for commercial horse stables. The amendments will implement a new tiered system of permitting for a horse stable with both ministerial and discretionary tiers of permitting.

The project is located within the County of San Diego which is in Southern California bordered to the west by the Pacific Ocean, to the east by Imperial County, to the north by Orange and Riverside Counties, and to the south by Mexico. The project covers the unincorporated portions of the County of San Diego over which the County has land use jurisdiction. Comments on this Notice of Preparation document must be received no later than **February 17, 2012** at 4:00 p.m. (a 30 day public review period). In addition, a public scoping meeting for this project will be held at 6:00 p.m. on February 6, 2012 in the DPLU Hearing Room at 5201 Ruffin Road, Suite B, San Diego, California 92123. For additional information, please contact Carl Stiehl at (858) 694-2216 or by e-mail at carl.stiehl@sdcounty.ca.gov.