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May 9, 2013

Ms. Helen N. Robbins-Meyer, Chief Administrative Officer
County of San Diego
County Administration Center
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 209
San Diego, CA 92101

Dear Ms. Robbins-Meyer:

RE: County of San Diego's 5th Cycle (2013-2021) Adopted Housing Element

Thank you for submitting the County of San Diego's housing element adopted April 24, 2013 and received for review on May 7, 2013. Pursuant to Government Code Section 65585(h), the Department is reporting the results of its review.

The Department is pleased to find the adopted housing element in full compliance with State housing element law (Article 10.6 of the Government Code). The Department's review found the adopted element to be substantially the same as the revised draft element reviewed by the Department on March 11, 2013 and determined to comply with statutory requirements. This finding was based on, among other things, the identification of adequate sites to accommodate the County's regional housing need allocation for lower-income households.

In addition, the County now meets specific requirements for several State funding programs designed to reward local governments for compliance with State housing element law. Funding program details for particular programs are available on the Department's website at http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/loan_grant_hcompl011708.pdf.

For your information, pursuant to GC Section 65588(e)(2)(B) a local government in the SANDAG region that did not adopt a fourth planning period housing element by January 1, 2009 shall revise its housing element every four years, unless the local government met both of the following conditions: 1) adopted the fourth revision no later than March 31, 2010; and 2) completes any rezoning identified in the fourth revision by June 30, 2010. The County did not meet the requirements of GC 65588(e)(2)(B); therefore, it is subject to the four year revision requirement.

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The Department appreciates the dedication and cooperation that Ms. Dixie Switzer, Land Use/Environmental Planner III, and Mr. Robert Citrano, Land Use/Environmental Planning Manager, of the County's Planning and Development Services Department provided throughout the course of the housing element review. The Department wishes San Diego County success in implementing its housing element and looks forward to following its progress through the General Plan annual progress reports pursuant to Government Code Section 65400. If the Department can provide assistance in implementing the housing element, please contact Robin Huntley, of our staff, at (916) 323-3175.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Glen A. Campora". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "G".

Glen A. Campora
Assistant Deputy Director