



# County of San Diego

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## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (SCH #2016101055) AND GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of San Diego, Department of Planning & Development Services (PDS), is circulating for public review a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (Draft SEIR) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act, along with a General Plan Amendment (GPA), Guidelines for Determining Significance for Climate Change (Guidelines), which include the County's greenhouse gas (GHG) threshold of significance, Climate Action Plan (CAP) Consistency Review Checklist (Checklist), and Report Format and Content Requirements for Climate Change, for the proposed Climate Action Plan (CAP), which constitute the project. The Department is seeking public and agency input on the SEIR and related project documents. Project documents, including the Draft SEIR, can be reviewed online at the following website:

<http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/advance/climateactionplan.html>, or in person at the Planning & Development Services, Project Processing Counter, 5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 110, San Diego, California 92123, and at the public libraries listed below. Comments on the draft project documents must be sent to Maggie Soffel, Land Use/Environmental Planner at the PDS address listed above or via e-mail to [CAP@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:CAP@sdcounty.ca.gov) and should reference the project name and numbers listed in this notice.

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO CLIMATE ACTION PLAN (PDS2015-POD-15-002), GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT (PDS2016-GPA-16-007), DRAFT SEIR (LOG NO. PDS2016-ER-16-00-003).** The project entails the County's CAP that includes strategies and measures to reduce GHG emissions from the unincorporated county and County operations. The CAP necessitates changes to Goal COS-20 and Policy COS-20.1 of the 2011 County of San Diego General Plan Update (GPU) and mitigation adopted in the certified Final Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the 2011 GPU (Mitigation Measures CC-1.2, CC-1.7, and CC-1.8). As a result, an associated action of the project is a General Plan Amendment to the 2011 GPU, which includes revised mitigation measures and a revised Mitigation, Monitoring, and Reporting Program for the 2011 GPU PEIR. The project also includes a threshold of significance for GHG emissions and revised Guidelines for Determining Significance for Climate Change, as well as a CAP Consistency Review Checklist and a Report Format and Content Requirements for Climate Change document. All of these actions constitute the project analyzed in the Draft SEIR.

The purpose of the project is to reduce county GHG emissions consistent with State legislative requirements through implementation of the CAP, which includes strategies and measures to reduce GHG emissions from community and County operations. Community operations refer to GHG emissions generated from activities within the unincorporated county. County operations refer to GHG emissions generated by County facilities and operational activities throughout the county,

including facilities and operations located within incorporated cities. The CAP proposes 11 GHG Reduction Strategies and 29 GHG Reduction Measures that the County would implement to reduce GHG emissions. Measures that could result in physical environmental impacts are evaluated within applicable chapters of the Draft SEIR.

The Draft SEIR identified potentially significant environmental impacts to the following issue areas: Aesthetics, Agriculture and Forestry Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural, Historical, and Paleontological Resources, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, Land Use and Planning, Noise, Transportation and Traffic, and Tribal Cultural Resources.

Comments on the Draft SEIR and related project documents must be received no later than **September 25, 2017, at 4:00 p.m. (a 45-day public review period)**. Comments on the draft documents must be sent to Maggie Soffel, Land Use/Environmental Planner at the PDS address listed above or sent via e-mail to [CAP@sdcountry.ca.gov](mailto:CAP@sdcountry.ca.gov) and should reference the project name and numbers listed in this notice.

Printed copies of the SEIR with a CD of the Appendices, and related project documents, can be reviewed at the PDS Project Processing Counter (5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 110, San Diego, California 92123) and at the following library branches:

- Alpine, 1752 Alpine Boulevard, Alpine, CA 91901, (619) 445-4221
- Campo-Morena Village, 31356 Highway 94, Campo, CA 91906, (619) 478-5945
- Julian, 1850 Highway 78, Julian, CA 92036, (760) 765-0370
- Rancho Santa Fe, 17040 Avenida de Acacias, Rancho Santa Fe, CA 92067, (858) 756-2512
- Valley Center, 29200 Cole Grade Road, Valley Center, CA 92082, (760) 749-1305

Electronic copies of these documents contained on a CD can be viewed at any of the 33 County-operated library branches. The hours of service for each library can be viewed at: [http://www.sdcl.org/PDF/sdcl\\_hours-and-locations.pdf](http://www.sdcl.org/PDF/sdcl_hours-and-locations.pdf) or by calling the number listed for each location.

Electronic copies of these documents are also available for review on the following website: <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/advance/climateactionplan.html>.

Public informational meetings on the CAP may be held during the environmental public review period. Details on these public informational meetings will be posted on the County's CAP website noted above and electronic notification will be sent to all stakeholders who have requested to receive updates on the CAP. If you would like to receive notifications on the County's CAP, please sign up to receive notices by visiting the CAP project website.