



COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO  
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY (NOA) TO ADOPT  
A PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT  
SAN BERNARDINO COUNTYWIDE PLAN

**Date:** June 17, 2019

**To:** Reviewing Agencies and Other Interested Parties

**Project Title:** San Bernardino Countywide Plan

**Project Applicant:** County of San Bernardino

**Notice of Availability Review Period:** June 17 through August 15, 2019 (60 days)

Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21165 and the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines (CEQA Guidelines) Section 15050, the County of San Bernardino (County) is the Lead Agency responsible for preparation of a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the proposed San Bernardino Countywide Plan (Project), described below. Notice is hereby given that the County has completed a Draft PEIR (State Clearinghouse No. 2017101033) for the Project to address the potential environmental effects associated with implementation of the Project.

**Project Description:** The proposed Project is a comprehensive plan that is driven by the Countywide Vision (2011) and meets California Code requirements for a general plan. The Countywide Plan includes four major components: (1) A County Policy Plan, an update and expansion of the County's General Plan, including a new approach to county planning that includes social services, healthcare services, public safety, and other regional county services provided in both incorporated and unincorporated areas. (2) A Community Action Guides to replace existing Community Plans with a greater focus on community self-reliance, grass-roots action, and implementation. Goals, policies, land use, and infrastructure decisions for the community planning areas will be addressed in the County Policy Plan. (3) A County Business Plan, with governance policies, operational metrics, and implementation strategies that outline the County's approach to providing municipal services in the unincorporated areas and regional services for both incorporated and unincorporated areas. (4) A Regional Issues Forum, an online resource for sharing information and resources related to issues confronting the County as a whole, including the work of the Countywide Vision element groups. Implementation of the Project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts to Air Quality, Biological Resources, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hazards (Wildfire), Minerals, Noise, and Transportation and Traffic

**Environmental Review and Public Comment**

The Draft PEIR and documents incorporated by reference will be available for a 60-day public review period from **June 17 through August 15, 2019**, on the Countywide Plan website at [www.countywideplan.com/EIR](http://www.countywideplan.com/EIR).

Hard copies of the Draft PEIR will be available at the following locations:

San Bernardino County Govt. Center  
Land Use Services Department  
385 N. Arrowhead Ave., 1<sup>st</sup> floor  
San Bernardino, CA 92415

Jerry Lewis High Desert Govt. Center  
15900 Smoke Tree St., Suite 131  
Hesperia, CA 92345

The Department is seeking input from both agencies and members of the public regarding preparation of the Draft PEIR. 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 **Monday, August 15, 2019**. Please send your comments at the earliest possible date to:

Jerry L. Blum, Countywide Plan Coordinator  
County of San Bernardino  
Land Use Services Department  
385 N. Arrowhead Avenue, 1st Floor  
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