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DATE: January 30, 2020
TO: Reviewing Agencies/Interested Persons
FROM: Matthew C. Bassi, Planning Director
SUBJECT: Initial Study/Negative Declaration (ND) for Cannabis Ordinance Project (ZOA No. 2020-04)

The City of Wildomar (City) is the lead agency for the preparation and review of an Initial Study/Negative Declaration (ND) for the proposed Cannabis Ordinance project. The cannabis ordinance would establish a regulatory framework for the licensure and operation of cannabis businesses in the City and includes modifications to the text in the City of Wildomar Municipal Code. A new code section, Chapter 5.76 (Commercial Cannabis Licensing) would be added to the City of Wildomar Municipal Code, and modifications to the existing Title 17 (Zoning) would be made. Cannabis retailers would be allowed with the approval of a conditional use permit within the C-1/C-P (General Commercial), and C-P-S (Scenic Highway Commercial) zones. Cannabis cultivation, manufacturing, distribution, and testing laboratories would be allowed with the approval of a conditional use permit in the I-P (Industrial Park and M-SC (Manufacturing-Service Commercial) zones. No cannabis business is allowed to be located within 600 feet of a public/private school, a day care center, youth centers, and parks.

The City is requesting comments for the Cannabis Ordinance project IS/ND. This notice is being sent to responsible agencies, trustee agencies, and other interested parties, along with a copy of the IS/ND and copies of the proposed draft ordinance (refer to attached CD). The public comment period for the ND will begin on **Thursday, January 30, 2020 and conclude on Friday, February 28, 2020.** Written comments can be sent to Matthew C. Bassi, Planning Director, City of Wildomar Planning Department, 23873 Clinton Keith Road, Suite 201, Wildomar, CA 92595. Comments can also be emailed to mbassi@cityofwildomar.org. The Planning Commission is tentatively scheduled to review the IS/ND and proposed ordinance at their regular meeting of April 1, 2020 and will make a recommendation to the City Council for consideration tentatively scheduled for April 15, 2020.

Should you have any questions or require additional information regarding this letter or the proposed ordinance, please contact me at (951) 677-7751, ext. 213, or email me at mbassi@cityofwildomar.org.

Sincerely,

Matthew C. Bassi
Planning Director

Enclosed – CD of Draft IS/ND