

**NOTICE OF COMPLETION
AND AVAILABILITY OF
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
FOR THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS 2040 GENERAL PLAN UPDATE**

TOWN OF LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA
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DATE: July 30, 2021

SUBJECT: A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (DEIR) HAS BEEN PREPARED BY THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS AND IS ON FILE IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AT 110 E. MAIN STREET.

As the Lead Agency overseeing this project's review, the Town of Los Gatos has initiated the preparation of a Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (Program EIR) to determine the nature and extent of the project's potential impact on the surrounding environment. Pursuant to Sections 15086 and 15087, Title 14, California Code of Regulations, this notice is given to advise interested parties that the Town has completed a Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed project described below and that the DEIR is available for public review. The project description, location, and potential environmental effects appear below.

PROJECT LOCATION: Los Gatos is in Santa Clara County, south of the San Francisco Bay. The Town is bordered by Campbell on the north, Saratoga and Monte Sereno on the west, San Jose on the east, and unincorporated land on the south. There are several unincorporated islands located throughout the Town. The Town's incorporated area covers 11.46 square miles. Its Urban Service Area, which includes both incorporated and unincorporated areas, is 11.44 square miles.

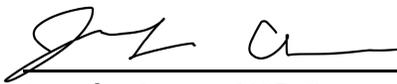
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed project consists of a comprehensive update to the Town's General Plan which will serve as a long-term framework for future growth and development. The 2040 General Plan represents the community's view of its future and contains the goals and policies upon which the Town Council and Planning Commission will base their land use and resource decisions in the future. To provide a contemporary plan that will guide the community to the year 2040, the General Plan update will reflect changes in the community, and address new issues and opportunities as identified through community input. These include new policy guidance stemming from changes in State law such as reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and new trends such as autonomous vehicles and the growth of online retail shopping.

With limited opportunities for new development in Los Gatos, the 2040 General Plan emphasizes infill and adaptive redevelopment within the Town limits. A focus is placed on increasing opportunities for housing development in key areas of the Town through increased density and mixed-use projects. New development would occur primarily where existing roads, water, and sewer are in place and in a manner that would minimize the impact of development on existing infrastructure and services. The 2040 General Plan also provides the policy framework to guide future development toward land uses that support walking and biking and places a greater emphasis on reestablishing more complete neighborhood areas that meet the daily needs of residents to be located within a one-mile distance.

The 2040 General Plan has been organized into nine elements: Racial, Social, and Environmental Justice; Land Use; Community Design; Mobility; Public Facilities, Services, and Infrastructure; Open Space, Parks, and Recreation; Environment and Sustainability; Hazards and Safety; and Housing. These nine elements describe the existing conditions and context for the related topic areas, followed by goals, policies, and implementation programs to guide the Town's management and development through 2040. The proposed draft Los Gatos 2040 General Plan can be viewed on the Town's General Plan Update webpage at: www.losgatos2040.com, in the Community Development Department and Town Clerk's office at 110 E. Main Street, and at the reference desk in the Los Gatos Town Library, located at 100 Villa Avenue.

The official public comment period for this project is 45 days from the date of this notice. Written comments shall be submitted to the Community Development Department no later than **Monday, September 13th, 2021 at 5:00 P.M.** A public hearing to receive comments on the DEIR is tentatively scheduled on September 8th, 2021. This meeting will be conducted utilizing teleconferencing and electronic means consistent with State of California Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, regarding the COVID-19 pandemic; and in accordance with Executive Order N-29-20, the public may only participate in the meeting online and not in the Council Chambers. The live stream of the meeting may be viewed online at www.LosGatosCA.gov/TownYouTube. Final action on this matter will be taken by the Town Council at a future date.

If you have any questions regarding these matters, please contact Jennifer Armer of the Community Development Department at (408) 399-5706 or by email: JArmer@losgatosca.gov.



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