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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

RE: NOTICE OF PREPARATION (NOP) OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (DEIR) FOR THE FAIRFIELD FORWARD 2050: CITY OF FAIRFIELD COMPREHENSIVE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE, HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE, AND CLIMATE ACTION PLAN, DATED MARCH 22, 2024 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE # [2021080289](#)

Dear Jessie Hernandez,

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) received an NOP of a DEIR for the Fairfield Forward 2050: City of Fairfield Comprehensive General Plan Update, Housing Element Update, and Climate Action Plan (project). The project includes targeted amendments to the adopted Heart of Fairfield and Train Station specific plans, including adjustments to densities, land use changes, and zoning boundaries, while maintaining the overall vision and objectives of the plans. Therefore, the City is recirculating the NOP and will be hosting an additional Scoping Meeting. The project involves a comprehensive update to elements of the General Plan. Based on our project review, we request consideration of the following comments:

1. The proposed Project encompasses multiple active and nonactive mitigation and clean-up sites where DTSC has conducted oversight that may be impacted as a result of this Project. This may restrict what construction activities are permissible in the proposed Project areas in order to avoid any impacts to human health and the environment.
2. Due to the broad scope of the Project, DTSC is unable to determine the locations of the proposed sites, whether they are listed as having documented contamination, land use restrictions, or whether there is the potential for the sites to be included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5. Therefore, DTSC recommends providing further information on the proposed project and areas that may fall under DTSC's oversight within future environmental documents. Once received, DTSC may provide additional comments on future environmental documents as further information becomes available. Please review the project area in [EnviroStor](#); DTSC's public-facing database.

DTSC believes the City of Fairfield must address these comments to determine if any significant impacts under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) will occur and, if necessary, avoid significant impacts under CEQA. DTSC recommends the department connect with our unit if any hazardous waste projects managed or overseen by DTSC are discovered.

DTSC appreciates the opportunity to comment on the proposed project. If further concerns or impacts surface in light of the forthcoming EIR, DTSC reserves the right to provide applicable comments at that time.

Thank you for your assistance in protecting California's people and environment from the harmful effects of toxic substances. If you have any questions or would like any clarification on DTSC's comments, please respond to this letter or via [email](#) for additional guidance.

Sincerely,

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