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## **NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE SAN CARLOS FOCUSED GENERAL PLAN UPDATE PROJECT State Clearinghouse No. 2021120442**

**Date:** October 14, 2022  
**To:** California State Clearinghouse, state Responsible and Trustee Agencies, federal agencies, county clerks, local jurisdictions, and interested individuals and organizations  
**Subject:** Notice of Availability of the San Carlos Focused General Plan Update Draft EIR for public review and comment  
**Lead Agency:** City of San Carlos

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the City of San Carlos (Lead Agency), has completed a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed City of San Carlos Focused General Plan Update Project in the City of San Carlos. The EIR analyzes the potentially significant effects associated with the proposed project.

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:** The 45-day public review period for the Draft EIR begins **Friday, October 14, 2022 and ends at 5:00 PM, Monday, November 28, 2022**. All comments regarding the EIR must be made in writing and received by this ending date/time. Responses to all written comments received during the public review period raising significant environmental issues will be provided in the Final EIR.

**SUBMITTING COMMENTS:** Written comments may be submitted in one of the following ways:

1. By mail to: Lisa Porras, Planning Division, City of San Carlos, 600 Elm Street, San Carlos, CA 94070
2. Email: [LPorras@cityofsancarlos.org](mailto:LPorras@cityofsancarlos.org). Specify "Focused General Plan Update EIR" in the subject line.

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** The Draft EIR is available at <https://www.sancarlos2040.org/documents>. The Draft EIR is also available for review at:

- City of San Carlos City Hall, Development Services Counter, First Floor, 600 Elm Street, San Carlos, CA 94070
- City of San Carlos Library, 610 Elm Street, San Carlos, CA 94070

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The City of San Carlos is located in the central-east portion of San Mateo County on the San Francisco Peninsula, approximately halfway between San Francisco and San

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Jose. San Carlos' city limit extends to the City of Belmont to the northwest, the San Francisco Bay to the northeast, the City of Redwood City to the southeast, and unincorporated San Mateo County to the southwest

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The City of San Carlos (Lead Agency) proposes to comprehensively update the existing 2015-2023 Housing Element as required by state housing law, and make a focused amendment to the Community Safety and Services Element to address climate change resiliency planning as required by Senate Bill 379 and California Government Code section 65302(g), and minor amendments to the Land Use Element, Circulation and Scenic Highways Element, Environmental Management Element, and Noise Element for consistency. These amendments are referred to as a Focused General Plan Update (GPU). In addition, the City is proposing specific amendments to Title 18 of the San Carlos Municipal Code (Zoning Ordinance) and amendments to San Carlos' Zoning Map to remain consistent with the Focused GPU.

**SIGNIFICANT ANTICIPATED ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:** The Draft EIR identified significant impacts with respect to air quality, biological resources, and tribal cultural resources. Biological resource and tribal cultural resource impacts can be reduced to less than significant levels with the implementation of mitigation measures. However, the air quality impacts would remain significant, even with the implementation of mitigation measures, and are therefore considered significant and unavoidable.

**QUESTIONS:** If you have any questions about this project, please contact Lisa Porras (650) 454-7785 or via email at [AdvancePlanning@cityofsancarlos.org](mailto:AdvancePlanning@cityofsancarlos.org) .

  
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