

## **NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE CITY OF BURBANK'S GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION PLAN UPDATE**

### **What is this?**

This notice is to inform you that the City of Burbank has prepared an Initial Study pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines (Public Resources Code, Division 13 and California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3) evaluating the potential environmental impacts of the Burbank's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Plan (GGRP) Update. The GGRP Update is applicable citywide. The Initial Study found that there would be either no impact or a less than significant impact on all resource categories; the City proposes to adopt a Negative Declaration for the GGRP Update.

The GGRP Update is a planning document that seeks to establish strategies for reducing municipal and community-wide greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions consistent with the State's requirement to meet the Greenhouse Gas reduction goals as stipulated in AB 32, SB 32, and Executive Order B-55-18. The GGRP Update builds on the goals and policies of the General Plan and complements the State's objectives to address climate change. To develop the GHG reduction strategies, the City analyzed its baseline 2010 GHG emissions, as well as current (2019) emissions inventory and determined future scenarios for emissions to estimate how emissions can be reduced through climate action strategies.

Based on this analysis, the proposed CAP aims to achieve the following GHG reduction targets:

- Reduce GHG emissions to 49 percent below 2010 levels by 2030 (86,555 MTCO<sub>2e</sub>), which is consistent with SB 32, and
- Reduce GHG emissions to 66 percent below 2010 levels by 2035 (General Plan horizon year), and achieve carbon neutrality by 2045, which is consistent with EO B-55-18 (531,203 MTCO<sub>2e</sub>).

The City has set its 2030 target based upon the trajectory necessary to meet the Statewide 2045 goal. The City's targets would require GHG emissions to be reduced by 86,555 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (MTCO<sub>2e</sub>) in 2030 and 531,203 MTCO<sub>2e</sub> by 2045. To achieve these GHG reduction targets, the proposed GGRP Update accounts for actions taken by State and Federal agencies that will reduce emissions in the City. The GGRP Update also includes implementation and monitoring procedures to ensure progress is being made towards achieving the objectives and specific GHG reduction measures. Projects implemented in support of the GGRP Update would be reviewed for consistency with the General Plan and other applicable regulatory land use actions. Additionally, future plans or projects would be subject to environmental review under CEQA, and individual impact analyses will identify required plan- or project-specific mitigation measures where applicable.

The Initial Study/Negative Declaration is available for a 30-day public comment period ending Monday, April 11, 2022. It is anticipated that the GGRP Update will be presented at the City Council meeting for their consideration on Tuesday, May 3, 2022.

### **How do I find out more or participate?**

- Contact City Staff, Fred Ramirez or Karen Pan, at **(818) 238-5187**
- Email the Planning Staff at: [Framirez@burbankca.gov](mailto:Framirez@burbankca.gov) or [kpan@burbankca.gov](mailto:kpan@burbankca.gov)
- View documents related to this project, including the Initial Study Negative Declaration, online by **April 9, 2022** at: <https://www.burbankca.gov>
- The City Council is tentatively planning to review the document on **Tuesday, May 3, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.** held via video/telephone conference, pending completion of public review. Instructions on how to view the meeting and submit comments during the meeting will be posted online prior to the

meeting date at: <https://www.burbankca.gov/departments/city-clerk-s-office/meeting-agendas-minutes>.

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