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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

RE: DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (DEIR) FOR THE 2040
PITTSBURG GENERAL PLAN UPDATE, DATED DECEMBER 12, 2023 STATE
CLEARINGHOUSE # [2022040427](#)

Dear John Funderburg,

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) received a DEIR for the 2040 Pittsburg General Plan Update. The proposed Project is a programmatic planning document consisting of, among others, an updated land use map and policy document consisting of goals, policies, and implementation measures that will guide future development activities and City actions. No specific development projects are proposed as part of the General Plan Update. Upon adoption, the 2040 General Plan will replace the City's existing 2020 General Plan, which was adopted in 2001 with subsequent updates to various elements. The City is also updating the Housing Element, which will address the City's Regional Housing Needs Allocation and the 2023-2031 planning period, in a process separate from the General Plan Update. DTSC has identified that this project may affect multiple sites within the project boundaries therefore, based on our project review, we request the 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 all of the locations of the proposed project site, whether they are listed as having documented contamination, land use restrictions, or whether there is the potential for the project site to be included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5. DTSC recommends providing further information on the project site and areas that may fall under DTSC's oversight within the DEIR. Please review the [City of Pittsburg project area](#) in [Envirostor](#); DTSC's public-facing database.

DTSC believes the City of Pittsburg 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 2040 Pittsburg General Plan Update. 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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