



CITY OF REDDING

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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
REDDING GENERAL PLAN 2045 UPDATE
AND PUBLIC HEARING TO SOLICIT PUBLIC COMMENTS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Redding (City), as the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the City’s General Plan Update 2045 (the “Project”). The Draft EIR and technical appendices will be available for public review/comment beginning on **July 14, 2023**. A Planning Commission public hearing will be held on August 8, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, located at 777 Cypress Avenue, Redding, CA 96001. The Planning Commission will also accept public comments regarding the proposed 2023-2045 General Plan Update.

All files can be downloaded online on Planning/General Plan & Development Guidelines page of the City of Redding website at www.cityofredding.org/generalplan. A copy of the Draft EIR and all documents incorporated by reference in the Draft EIR are also available at:

Development Services Department Permit Center
777 Cypress Avenue
Redding, CA 96001

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: A Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) was prepared for the City of Redding in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to analyze the potential environmental impacts associated with the Redding General Plan 2045 Update. The General Plan Update will provide the long-term planning blueprint for the improvements needed to house the City’s growing population and needed services and industry over through 2045. The 2045 General Plan Update outlines the City’s goals for physical growth, conservation, and community life, and contains policies and actions to guide the City in reaching those goals. The current City Limits contains enough vacant sites for housing, commercial services, and industrial uses to serve a larger population. The new growth is focused in areas where services exist or can be expanded/extended to serve additional and more intensive development. The Planning Area footprint is smaller than the 2000-2020 General Plan, and existing land use classifications and configurations will remain unaffected. The 2045 General Plan Update includes, the Community Development & Design Element; Community Health, Wellness, and Environmental Justice Element; Economic Development Element; Natural Resources Element; Parks, Trails, & Recreation Element; Public Facilities & Services Element; Public Safety Element; Transportation Element; and Noise Element.

PROJECT LOCATION: City of Redding and Sphere of Influence.



ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FINDINGS: The Draft EIR identifies environmental impacts that are less than significant or require mitigation to reduce impacts to less than significant in the following topic areas: aesthetics, energy, geology and soils, hazards and hazardous resources, hydrology and water quality, land use and planning, mineral resources, population and housing, public services and recreation, utilities and service systems. Significant and unavoidable impacts have been identified in the following topic areas: agriculture and forestry resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, greenhouse gas emissions, noise, transportation, and wildfire.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: A copy of the Draft EIR may be reviewed at the Development Services Department Permit Center located at 777 Cypress Avenue in Redding. A review copy is also at the Redding Library, 1100 Parkview Avenue in Redding. The Draft EIR is available online on Planning/General Plan & Development Guidelines page of the City of Redding website at www.cityofredding.org/generalplan. The agenda and staff report are available online, the Friday afternoon preceding the meeting, on the City's website: www.cityofredding.org (*City Council Agenda and Minutes*).

PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT: This public notice is posted to officially notify the public, public agencies, and responsible and trustee agencies that the required 45-day public review/comment period will commence on **July 14, 2023**, and conclude on **August 28, 2023**. Any written comments (via email or letter) on the Draft EIR must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, **August 28, 2023**. Written comments may be mailed to Vishnu Shankar, Senior Planner, City of Redding Development Services Department – Planning Division, 777 Cypress Avenue, Redding, CA 96001. Email comments can be sent to vkrishnan@cityofredding.org.

You may comment by providing testimony at a public hearing before the Planning Commission. **This hearing will be open to the public and all interested persons are invited to attend a public hearing on this request to be conducted by the Redding Planning Commission at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 8, 2023, in the City Council Chambers located at 777 Cypress Avenue, Redding, California.** The hearing will begin with a project overview and summary of the Draft EIR. Written and verbal comments on the Draft EIR will be accepted during the meeting. The Planning Commission will preside over the meeting; however, it will not take any action on the Draft EIR or project. Staff will note general themes of verbal comments made and will address them in the Final EIR. Members of the public are encouraged to submit written comments to ensure that their specific comments are represented in the project record and addressed in the Final EIR.

If you challenge this environmental document in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues raised by you or others in written correspondence or in hearings on the proposed project.

For more information, please contact Vishnu Krishnan, Senior Planner, at vkrishnan@cityofredding.org, or by telephone at (530)339-7305 x5061.



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California Native Plant Society, Shasta Chapter
U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, Redding
Shasta Environmental Alliance

The purpose of the public hearing is to obtain information from the public concerning the project described above. At the hearing, the Planning Commission (Commission) will consider the information provided by the public, the applicant, and staff and then determine whether to approve or deny the project. In most cases, the project will not be before the Commission unless staff is recommending approval of the project. If you challenge the project or decision in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing.

In compliance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the City of Redding will make available to persons with disabilities modifications or accommodations including auxiliary aids or services necessary to participate in public meetings. A person needing assistance should contact the Planning Division by telephone at (530) 225-4022, or in person, or by mail at 777 Cypress Avenue, Redding, California 96001 at least three (3) working days prior to the meeting.

The City of Redding will ensure that no person shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any of its projects, activities, services, or business opportunities on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability, as afforded by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related statutes as amended. All persons, regardless of their citizenship status, are covered under this regulation. Questions, complaints, or requests for accommodations or additional information may be forwarded to the ADA & Title VI Coordinator at 777 Cypress Avenue, Attn: Personnel Dept., Redding, California 96001, Phone (530) 225-4065.

