



NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT NEGATIVE DECLARATION

In compliance with section 15072 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines and the County of Orange Procedures, notification is hereby given to responsible agencies, trustee agencies, interest groups and the general public, that the County of Orange shall adopt **Negative Declaration (ND) File Numbers Housing Element Update HE 20-01, Safety Element Update SE 19-01, Land Use Element Update LUE 22-01, Environmental Justice Element EJ 22-01, and Zoning Code Amendment CA 22-01.**

PUBLIC REVIEW: The proposed ND is being circulated for public review from July 12, 2022 to August 10, 2022 to comply with the required minimum 30-day public review period. The ND may be adopted by the County of Orange and become final unless written comments on its appropriateness or adequacy are received by the office listed below **by 5:00 p.m. on the ending date of the public review period (August 10, 2022).**

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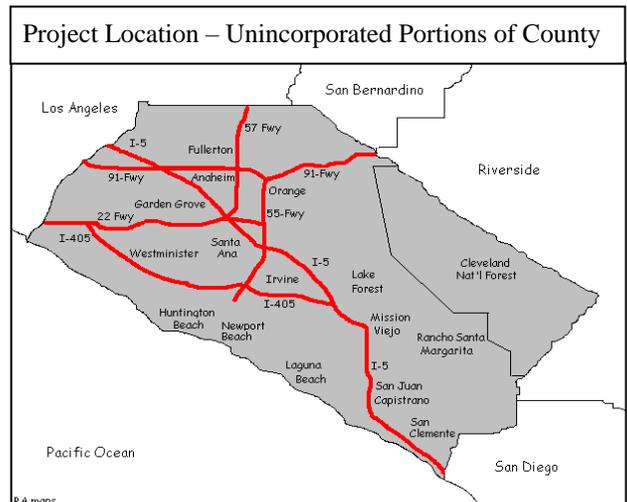
PUBLIC MEETING(S)/HEARINGS ON PROJECT:
The proposed project will be reviewed for approval by the decision-maker listed below.

DECISION MAKING BODY: Orange County Planning Commission

DATE: To Be Determined **TIME:** 1:30 PM or soon thereafter

LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING/HEARING: See location map below.

The ND and any supporting attachments are available for review during normal business hours at the offices of the OC Public Works, OC Development Services/Planning, 601 North Ross Street, Santa Ana, CA 92701 and also available at the following website:
<https://ocds.ocpublicworks.com/service-areas/oc-development-services/planning-development/current-projects/all-districts-2>



DATE POSTED: July 11, 2022



**NEGATIVE DECLARATION
OC PUBLIC WORKS
601 NORTH ROSS STREET
P. O. BOX 4048
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA 92701**

In accordance with Orange County Board of Supervisor's policies regarding implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act, the County of Orange has conducted an Initial Study to determine whether the following project may have a significant adverse effect on the environment. On the basis of that study, the County of Orange hereby finds that the proposed project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment and does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report because either the proposed project:

- has** or **creates no** significant environmental impacts requiring mitigation; or
- will not create** a significant adverse effect, because the Mitigation Measures described in the Initial Study have been added to the project.

The environmental documents, which constitute the Initial Study and supporting technical studies provide the basis and reasons for this determination are available on the website and hereby made a part of this document.

PROJECT:

Title: Housing-Related Updates to the County of Orange General Plan and Comprehensive Zoning Code

Location: Unincorporated portions of Orange County, CA

Description: In accordance with State law, the County is required to update its Housing Element every eight years, which includes an amendment to the Land Use Element and the Safety Element. An Environmental Justice Element is also required to be created when two or more existing General Plan elements are concurrently revised after January 2018. The Zoning Code requires revisions to the existing Housing Opportunities Overlay to maintain consistency with programs included Housing Element Update.

Project Proponent or Applicant: County of Orange, OC Public Works, Development Services/Planning

Department Responsible for Proposed Project: OC Public Works, Development Services/Planning

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NOTICE: The Negative Declaration shall become final unless written comments are received by the office listed above by **5:00 p.m. on August 10, 2022**. If you wish to provide comments on the appropriateness or adequacy of this document, address your written comments to our finding that the project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment: (1) identify the environmental effect(s), why they would occur, and why they would be significant, and (2) suggest any mitigation measures which you believe would eliminate or reduce the effect to an acceptable level. Regarding item (1) above, explain the basis for your comments and submit any supporting data or references.

Dated: August 11, 2022

Signed: Kevin Shannon

NOTE: This document and supporting attachments are provided to the general public for review. This is an information document about environmental effects only. Supplemental information is on file and may be reviewed in the office listed above. The decision-making body will review this document and potentially many other sources of information before considering the proposed project.