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SCH #: 2022100151

Project Title: Butte County General Plan Update

Lead Agency: Butte County

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Project Location: Butte County (unincorporated)

City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

A Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) analyze the potential environmental impacts associated with the Butte County General Plan 2040 Update. The 2040 General Plan Update outlines the County's goals for physical growth, conservation, and community life, and contains policies and actions to guide the County in reaching those goals. The 2040 General Plan Update is updating six Elements: Health & Safety (including the Noise Element), Housing, Land Use, Circulation, Water Resources, and including a new Environmental Justice Element. Other Elements of the current General Plan are revised to ensure consistency with the updated elements such as Area and Neighborhood Plans, Agriculture, Conservation and Open Space, Economic Development, and Public Facilities and Services. The 2040 General Plan Update also incorporates the Upper Ridge Community Plan (URCP) which includes projects and strategies for the Upper Ridge Community Plan Area, including the redesignation of 28 parcels from Retail and Office to Mixed-Use.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The DEIR determined potentially significant impacts on agriculture and forestry, air quality, biological resources, paleontological resource, greenhouse gases, hazards, hazardous resources, noise, and wildfire. Mitigation measures would include prepare technical assessments for potential project construction and operation impacts related to air quality; health risk assessments (HRA); prepare an odor management plan; monitoring paleontological sensitivity by a qualified paleontological monitor during ground disturbance; cease construction actives with the discovery of fossil resources; update Climate Action Plan; prepare a Traffic Control Plan for the construction phase in the Upper Ridge Community Plan Area; and prepare a noise and vibration analysis during the construction phase. Mitigation measures would help to eliminate or reduce impacts to a less-than-significant level after mitigation. However, the DEIR determined the following environmental topics would remain significant and unavoidable after mitigation measures: agricultural and forestry resources, air quality, biological resources, greenhouse gases, noise, and wildfire.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

Impacts would remain significant, unavoidable, and adverse after mitigation measures are applied to the following impacts: Agriculture and Forestry Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Noise, and Wildfire.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

Air Resources Board
CAL FIRE
California Emergency Management Agency
California Highway Patrol
Caltrans District 3
Caltrans Planning
California Department of Conservation
California Office of Historic Preservation
California Department of Parks and Recreation
CDFW Region 2
Housing & Community Development
Native American Heritage Commission
Public Utilities Commission
Regional WQCB Region 5
Resources Agency
State Lands Commission
WRCB: Clean Water Grants
SWRCB: Water Quality
Department of Toxic Substances Control