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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

- 1. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern has approved the following project in the County of Kern, State of California:
  - a. Applicant or sponsoring Agency or Department: Kern County Planning and Natural Resources Department (PP22002)
  - b. Name of Project: Kern County Housing Element Implementation 2022
  - c. Street Address/Cross-Street of Project: The northeastern corner of Panama Road and Habecker Road in the unincorporated community of Lamont (Case ID Reference No. 28)

Map of Project (if no street address): Attached

d. Description of Project: General Plan Amendment Case No. 4, Map No. 125-31; Amendment of Zoning Map No. 125-31; Zone Change Case No. 10 - Zone Change to existing zone classifications to comply with the requirements of the adopted Housing Element, state law requirements and in the effort to promote various housing options for all income ranges; changes in General Plan map code designations and changes in zone classification for APN 178-282-10:

General Plan Amendment to the Metropolitan Bakersfield General Plan:

From High Medium Density Residential (less than or equal to 17.42 dwelling units/net acre) to High Density Residential (less than or equal to 29 dwelling units per acre) on approximately 10.00 acres.

Change in Zone Classification:

From MP (Mobilehome Park) to R-3 (High Density Residential) on approximately 10.00 acres.

2. Approval – Summary of Proceedings:

Adoption date September 27, 2022, Item No. 4 2:00 p.m.

The Board of Supervisors has determined the provisions of Public Resources Code 21159.25, Public Resources Code 21083.3, Public Resources Code 21159.15 Government Code 65457, CEQA Guidelines Section 1616230 Hays Guidelines Section 15303, the action is exempt from the requirement of the State CEQA Guidelines Section 15303, the action is exempt from the requirement of the State CEQA Guidelines Section 15303.

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Guidelines concerning the evaluation of projects, further environmental review, and the preparation and review of environmental documents. Therefore, no environmental documents were required for consideration of the action taken.

Lorelei H. Oviatt, AICP, Director Planning and Natural Resources Department County of Kern, State of California

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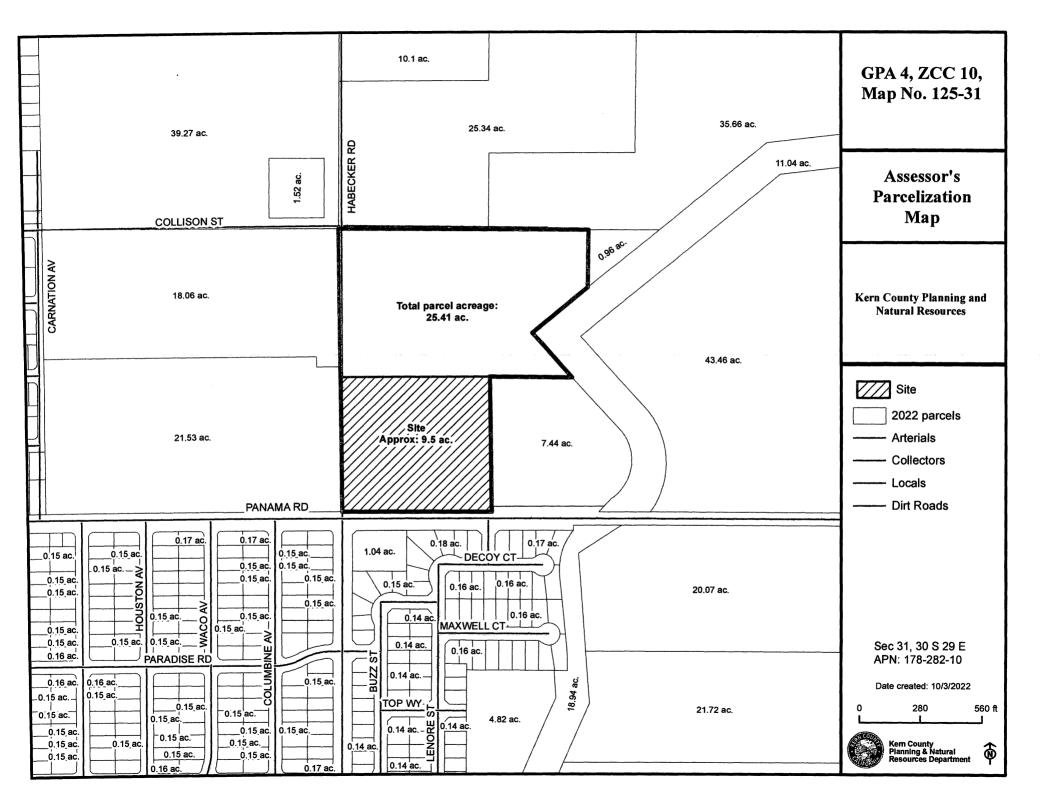
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This project has been found to be categorically exempt from the requirement for preparation of environmental documents or further environmental review pursuant to Public Resources Code 21159.25, Public Resources Code 21083.3, Public Resources Code 21159.24, Public Resources Code 21155.1, Government Code 65457, CEQA Guidelines Section 115182, CEQA Guidelines Section 15183 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15303 exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

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## KERN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

## **Board of Supervisors**

#### STAFF REPORT

Date: September 27, 2022

FILE: Kern County Housing Element Implementation 2022

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TITLE: Kern County Housing Element Implementation 2022: (2) ZCC 65, Map 213; (3) ZCC 20, Map 196-16; (4) ZCC 42, Map 203-21; (5) ZCC 122, Map 230; (6) ZCC 159, Map 231-13; (7) ZCC 123, Map 230; (8) ZCC 124, Map 230; (9) SPA 20; ZCC 125, Map 230; (10) ZCC 7, Map 52-02; (11) SPA 2; ZCC 8, Map 52-02; (12) SPA 1; ZCC 3, Map 52-03; (13) ZCC 25, Map 42-30; (15) GPA 6; ZCC 29, Map 124-31; (16) GPA 8; ZCC 28, Map 144; (17) GPA 24; ZCC 83, Map 124; (19) GPA 26; ZCC 85, Map 124; (20) GPA 13; ZCC 32, Map 104-30; (21) GPA 14; ZCC 33, Map 104-30; (23) GPA 7; ZCC 47, Map 103-36; (24) GPA 8; ZCC 48, Map 103-36; (25) GPA 4; ZCC 15, Map 103-33; (26) GPA 6; ZCC 32, Map 102-30; (27) GPA 4; ZCC 6, Map 143-01; (28) GPA 4; ZCC 10, Map 125-31; (29) GPA 7; ZCC 20, Map 103-07; (30) GPA 14; ZCC 40, Map 102-01; (31) GPA 8; ZCC 21, Map 103-07; (32) SPA 92; ZCC 200, Map 101; (33) SPA 93; ZCC 201, Map 101; (34) GPA 6; ZCC 27, Map 143; (35) SPA 14; ZCC 22, Map 101-26; (36) GPA 15; ZCC 41, Map 102-01; (37) GPA 2; ZCC 30, Map 103-34.

PROPOSAL: Various changes to existing land use designations to facilitate future higher density residential development as required by the adopted Kern County Housing Element. Proposed actions include amendments to existing General and Specific Plan map code designations and changes to existing zone classifications.

APPLICANT: Kern County Planning and Natural Resources Department (PP22002)

PROJECT SIZE: 447.23 acres

**LOCATION:** Countywide

PROJECT ANALYSIS: The project before your Board today includes a series of proposed Staff initiated changes to various land use designations on 56 parcels throughout unincorporated Kern County. The proposed project includes necessary actions that would establish land uses suitable for future high-density residential development projects. At this time, the proposed project does not include any proposed development. This proposal only includes changes in land use designations to facilitate future residential developmental ranging from apartment complexes to other owner-occupied higher density development projects.

The requested actions will implement the strategic goals of the adopted Kern County Housing Element, statewide housing inventory requirements and the Department's efforts to plan for and preserve adequate housing for all income segments based on the most recent Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA).

## Background

### Housing Element Update 2015-2023

On April 26, 2016, your Board adopted the County of Kern Housing Element Update 2015-2023 (Resolution No. 2021-075) as a part of the Kern County General Plan and the Metropolitan Bakersfield General Plan.

The Housing Element of the General Plan has two (2) purposes:

- 1. To provide an assessment of both current and future housing needs, and constraints in meeting these needs; and
- 2. To provide a strategy that establishes housing goals, policies, and programs.

The Housing Element represents Kern County's long-term commitment to developing and improving housing with specific goals for the short-term 2015–2023 period. This element identifies strategies and programs that focus on:

- 1. Preserving and improving housing and neighborhoods;
- 2. Providing adequate housing sites;
- 3. Assisting in the provision of affordable housing;
- 4. Removing governmental and other constraints to housing investment; and
- 5. Promoting fair and equal housing opportunities.

According to the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) prepared by Kern Council of Governments (Kern COG) and presented in the Housing Element (2015-2023), Kern County has a total projected need over the five-(5-)year planning cycle of 21,583 dwelling units. As part of the adopted Housing Element, the County committed to identifying an additional 33.57 acres of R-3 zoned land to meet its 4th cycle housing needs and an additional 180.57 acres of R-3 zoned land to meet its 5th cycle housing needs. Today's actions are necessary to ensure ongoing compliance with State housing laws.

The following language is directly from the California Department of Housing and Community Development website:

Since 1969, California has required that all local governments (cities and counties) adequately plan to meet the housing needs of everyone in the community. California's local governments meet this requirement by adopting housing plans as part of their "general plan" (also required by the state). General plans serve as the local government's blueprint" for how the city and/or county will grow and develop and include seven elements; land use, transportation, conservation, noise, open space, safety, and housing.

California's housing-element law acknowledges that in order for the private market to adequately address the housing needs and demand of Californians, local governments must adopt plans and regulatory systems that provided opportunities for (and do not unduly constrain), housing development. As a result, housing policy in California rests largely on the effective implementation of local general plans and, in particular, local housing elements.



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