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Project Title: Santa Rosa General Plan 2050 Project

CEQA Document: Environmental Impact Report

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Lead Agency: City of Santa Rosa

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Project Location (City and County): City of Santa Rosa, Sonoma County

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

The City of Santa Rosa prepared a comprehensive update to its existing General Plan. The update will guide the City's development and conservation through 2050. State law requires that the General Plan contain eight elements: Land Use, Circulation, Housing, Open Space, Noise, Safety, Conservation, and Environmental Justice. The content of these elements is outlined in State law. The proposed General Plan 2050 will include revisions to the policies and land use map of the existing General Plan. The proposed General Plan 2050 will include all State-required elements and optional elements including climate action planning.

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

The Draft EIR includes an evaluation of potential impact in the EIR Study Area and identified less-than-significant impacts for aesthetics, biological resources, cultural and tribal cultural resources, energy, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use and planning, population and housing, public services, parks, and recreation, and utilities and service systems. The Draft EIR identifies potential significant and unavoidable at the program level in the topics of agricultural resources, air quality, noise, transportation, and wildfire.

As a General Plan EIR, some policies and actions in the proposed General Plan are also required as means to mitigate environmental impacts under CEQA. These policies and actions are fully enforceable at the discretion of the decision-maker and use the imperative "shall," and in all cases are mandatory. The mitigating policies and actions described in the EIR that are fully enforceable through permit conditions, agreements, or other legally binding instruments and include performance criteria are marked with an asterisk (*). The proposed General Plan policies and actions are listed in the impact discussions of Chapters 4.1 through 4.18 of this Draft EIR to illustrate where the proposed polices and actions would reduce impacts from future development in Santa Rosa.

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

- Protection of biological resources
- Adequacy of existing water supply and increased water demand
- Annexation of land into the city limit
- Protection from radiofrequency radiation

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

N/A