



NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY / NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND HEARINGS FOR THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR THE GENERAL PLAN CIRCULATION ELEMENT UPDATE

PROJECT NAME: General Plan Circulation Element Update Project
PROJECT LOCATION: Citywide
ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBER (APN): Citywide
APPLICANT: City of Cloverdale / Kevin Thompson
124 N. Cloverdale Boulevard
Cloverdale, CA 95425
CITY RECORD NUMBERS: P-24-18
STATE CLEARING HOUSE NUMBER: 2024010982
DATE OF PUBLIC NOTICE: September 13, 2024
PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: September 13, 2024 through to October 28, 2024

NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN that the City of Cloverdale has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), for the General Plan Circulation Element Update Project. The City is accepting comments on the DEIR for a 45-day public review and comment period. Public comment must be provided by or before **5:00 PM on October 28, 2024**. Written comments may be provided via e-mail: rmiranda@ci.cloverdale.ca.us or via U.S. Mail: City of Cloverdale, Planning Department, 124 N. Cloverdale Boulevard, Cloverdale, CA 95425.

Additionally, public comment may be provided at the Planning Commission hearing tentatively scheduled for December 3, 2024, and at a City Council hearing, tentatively scheduled for December 11, 2024. A separate notice will be provided in advance of the City Council public hearing on the DEIR.

NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN that a public hearing of the Planning Commission will be held on **December 3, 2024, at or after 6:00 PM** in the Cloverdale Performing Arts Center at 209 N. Cloverdale Boulevard, Cloverdale, CA. The Planning Commission will take public comment and make a recommendation regarding the adequacy of the DEIR to the City Council. This public hearing will be held in person, as well as virtually via Zoom. Some or all members of the City Planning Commission will be participating in the meeting remotely via teleconferencing or other electronic means consistent with Executive Order N-29-20, which suspended certain requirements of the Brown Act.

Meeting Attendance and participation is welcome in person or using Zoom (meeting ID and password to be posted on City website www.cloverdale.net prior to the meeting).

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT TO THE PC: Public comment may be provided by E-mail, by U.S. Mail, or in person:

- **Comment via E-mail:** Please submit your comments to Rafael Miranda at rmiranda@ci.cloverdale.ca.us . If received by 4 PM on the date of the hearing, your comments will be uploaded onto the City's website before the meeting. If received after, comments will be uploaded onto the City's website after the meeting.
- **Comment via U.S. Mail:** Please mail your comments to the City of Cloverdale, Planning Department, 124 N. Cloverdale Boulevard, Cloverdale, CA 95425.
- **Comment in person:** Please fill out a speaker card at the meeting and provide it to the Clerk.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

GENERAL PLAN CIRCULATION ELEMENT UPDATE: The City proposes to update the Circulation Element of the General Plan to address Senate Bill (SB) 743 and the transition of CEQA transportation analysis from congestion-based metrics, such as LOS, to the State-mandated metric of VMT.

The proposed Circulation Element Update would ensure consistency with State law regarding Complete Streets, would develop updated roadway cross-sections for arterials and collectors, and would incorporate elements from the current City Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. The Circulation Element Update would also include new goals and policies related to VMT analysis and reductions considering the City's Climate Emergency Declaration (Resolution Number 91-2019) on September 11, 2019. The Declaration calls for a transition away from fossil fuels and an urgent collaborative mobilization effort focused on enacting policies, such as several transportation measures that would help reduce emissions, including employing an electrified fleet mix and clean vehicles, updating the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW: The DEIR, prepared pursuant to the requirements of CEQA, evaluates the environmental impacts of implementing the Project and three alternatives. The DEIR identified a potentially significant impact related to VMT. Mitigation Measures TRANS-2a, TRANS-2b, and TRANS-2c, which outline required measures for new development applications, are required. However, because it would be too speculative to quantify the VMT reduction measures for future individual development projects, impacts would remain significant and unavoidable.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please consider these options to learn more:

- **Project Manager:** Rafael Miranda, Planner at rmiranda@ci.cloverdale.ca.us ;
- **Online:** at <https://www.cloverdale.net/73/Planning-Community-Development> : or
- **In-person:** at the City Hall Planning Counter located at 124 N. Cloverdale Boulevard, Cloverdale, Monday through Thursday between 9 AM and 5 PM.



ACCESSIBILITY: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in the meeting, please contact the City Clerk at (707) 894-1712. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will assist City staff in assuring those reasonable accommodations are made to provide accessibility to the meeting.