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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

RE: NOTICE OF PREPARATION (NOP) FOR A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (DEIR) FOR THE RED BLUFF GENERAL PLAN UPDATE, DATED MARCH 14, 2024 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE # [2024030525](#)

Dear Beth Lindauer,

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) received an NOP of a DEIR for the City of Red Bluff General Plan Update. The proposed project is a programmatic EIR for the General Plan planning document consisting of a land use map, and policy document consisting of goals, policies, and actions that will guide future development activities and City actions. No specific development projects are proposed as part of the General Plan Update. Based on our project review, we request consideration of the following comments:

1. The proposed Project encompasses multiple active and nonactive mitigation and clean-up sites where DTSC has conducted oversight that may be impacted as a result of this Project. This may restrict what construction activities are permissible in the proposed Project areas in order to avoid any impacts to

human health and the environment.

2. Due to the broad scope of the Project, DTSC is unable to determine the locations of the proposed sites, whether they are listed as having documented contamination, land use restrictions, or whether there is the potential for the sites to be included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5. Therefore, DTSC recommends providing further information on the proposed project and areas that may fall under DTSC's oversight within the DEIR. Once received, DTSC may provide additional comments on the DEIR as further information becomes available.

Please review the project area in [Envirostor](#); DTSC's public-facing database.

DTSC believes the City of Red Bluff must address these comments to determine if any significant impacts under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) will occur and, if necessary, avoid significant impacts under CEQA. DTSC recommends the department connect with our unit if any hazardous waste projects managed or overseen by DTSC are discovered. Please refer to the [City of Red Bluff EnviroStor Map](#) for additional information about the areas of potential contamination

DTSC appreciates the opportunity to comment on the City of Red Bluff General Plan Update. Thank you for your assistance in protecting California's people and environment from the harmful effects of toxic substances. If you have any questions or would like any clarification on DTSC's comments, please respond to this letter or via [email](#) for additional guidance.

Sincerely,

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