



**To:** State Clearinghouse, Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies,  
and Interested Parties and Organizations

**From:** City of Agoura Hills  
30001 Ladyface Court  
Agoura Hills. CA 91301

**Date:** January 13, 2025

**CITY OF AGOURA HILLS  
NOTICE OF PREPARATION (NOP) OF A PROGRAMMATIC ENVIRONMENTAL  
IMPACT REPORT FOR THE BICYCLE MASTER PLAN**

The City of Agoura Hills will be the Lead Agency and will prepare a Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code and the "Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970," as amended to date.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The City of Agoura Hills is located in western Los Angeles County near the southeastern edge of Ventura County. Agoura Hills is bordered by the City of Westlake Village to the west, the City of Thousand Oaks to the northwest, the unincorporated community of Oak Park (Ventura County) to the north, the City of Calabasas and unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County to the east, and unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County to the south. Regional access to the City is provided by U.S. Highway 101 which runs east-west through the City of Agoura Hills. Local access within the City is provided primarily by Kanan Road and Reyes Adobe Road in the north-south direction, and Agoura Road and Thousand Oaks Boulevard in the east-west direction. The Planning Area for the Bicycle Master Plan (BMP) includes the existing City boundaries (approximately 7.86 square miles). Specific improvements within the BMP would be located in the areas depicted in Figure 1.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The proposed project includes the following components:

1. *Bicycle Master Plan (BMP)*. The BMP proposes 30.1 miles of new bikeways and bikeway improvements to build upon the city's existing 1.3 miles of bicycle routes and 9.2 miles of bicycle lanes. The BMP aims to create a network of diverse bike corridors, as well as support facilities and programs to link local and regional destinations and make biking more practical and desirable for a broader range of people. The City seeks to prioritize implementation of two projects within the BMP: the Medea Creek Path (Path), a two-mile bicycle path along the Medea Creek Channel, and the Agoura High School Connection (Connection), a 0.35-mile bicycle path connecting two intersections adjacent to Agoura High School.
  2. *VMT Mitigation Exchange and Banking Program (Program)*. The Program would establish a mitigation opportunity for projects exceeding the vehicle miles traveled (VMT) threshold by allowing a developer or project proponent to purchase VMT
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reduction credits, which would in turn be used to fund the implementation of bicycle improvement projects identified within the BMP.

3. *General Plan Amendments (Amendments)*. To ensure the city's General Plan is consistent with the Bicycle Master Plan, the project would amend the existing General Plan Infrastructure and Community Services Element.

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**DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT:** The City of Agoura Hills will prepare a programmatic environmental document evaluating the potential environmental effects of the proposed project. Pursuant to CEQA Section 15168, a Program EIR (PEIR) will be prepared for the Bicycle Master Plan Project. The PEIR will evaluate the potentially significant environmental impacts of the project, will propose feasible mitigation measures that may lessen or avoid such impacts, and will analyze alternatives that could reduce potential environmental impacts. It is anticipated the EIR will evaluate potentially significant environmental effects related to the following environmental issues:

- Aesthetics
- Agriculture and Forestry Resources
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Energy
- Geology and Soils
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Land Use and Planning
- Mineral Resources
- Noise
- Population and Housing
- Public Services
- Recreation
- Transportation
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Utilities and Service Systems
- Wildfire
- Mandatory Findings of Significance

In addition, the EIR will include a discussion of other topics required by CEQA, including cumulative impacts, project alternatives, growth-inducing effects, and significant irreversible effects.

**PUBLIC SCOPING PERIOD:** The City would like to know the views of all interested parties requesting notice, responsible agencies, agencies with jurisdiction by law, and trustee agencies as to the scope and content of the environmental information to be included in the PEIR that is germane to your agency's statutory responsibilities (CEQA Section 21080.4 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15082). Your agency may need to use the PEIR when considering a permit or other approval for the individual projects included therein. Due to the time limits mandated by CEQA Section 15082(b), all formal comments on the NOP shall be submitted in writing via e-mail or U.S. mail no later than 30 days from the date of receipt of the NOP by U.S. certified mail, or, if not

received via U.S. certified mail, no later than 5:00 PM on February 12, 2025. When responding, provide the name and contact information for your agency's staff contact.

**Please send your response to the following:**

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Responses may also be e-mailed to [cyambao@agourahillscity.org](mailto:cyambao@agourahillscity.org). Questions may be directed to this e-mail address, or (818) 597-7360.

A public scoping meeting per CEQA Guidelines Section 15082 is also scheduled. Please see the public meeting notice, attached to this NOP, for further information.



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Charmaine Yambao, PE, Senior Civil Engineer

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Figure 1 Project Location

