

NOTICE OF COMPLETION/NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY FOR THE CITY OF ORANGE COMPREHENSIVE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE DRAFT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

HEARING LOCATION: City of Orange Council Chambers
300 East Chapman Avenue, Orange CA 92866

HEARING DATE &

TIME: To be determined. Hearings will be noticed separately at a later date.

SUBJECT: **City of Orange Comprehensive General Plan Update
(GPA No. 2009-01, EIR No. 1815-09)**

PROJECT LOCATION: Citywide

**PROJECT
DESCRIPTION:**

The proposed project consists of a comprehensive update of the City of Orange General Plan. The General Plan consists of 11 elements that together meet state requirements for the General Plan. The elements are (1) land use, (2) circulation and mobility, (3) natural resources, (4) public safety, (5) noise, (6) growth management, (7) cultural resources, (8) infrastructure, (9) urban design, (10) economic development, and (11) housing (*not included in this update*). The General Plan also includes an implementation plan. Development pursuant to the proposed General Plan land use policy would result in an increase of approximately 23,478 dwelling units and 35.7 million square feet of nonresidential building floor area over existing conditions. A net population increase of 57,844 persons is also anticipated at buildout according to the proposed General Plan. The proposed General Plan land use policy proposes changes to General Plan land use designations within eight focus areas of the City.

The City of Orange General Plan serves as a policy guide for determining the appropriate physical development and character of the City and establishes an overall development capacity. The environmental impact analysis in the Program EIR is based on the change between development conditions existing in 2004 and those projected for likely development in accordance with the General Plan by 2030, as well as at theoretical buildout.

PROJECT APPLICANT: **City of Orange, 300 East Chapman Avenue, Orange, CA 92866**

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LEAD AGENCY: City of Orange

**ENVIRONMENTAL
INFORMATION:**

Environmental Impact Report No. 1815-09 was prepared to evaluate the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act. The City invites you to comment on the Environmental Impact Report. **The public review period begins on February 13, 2009 and ends on March 30, 2009.** Written comments must be received in the offices of the City of Orange Planning Division at 300 East Chapman Avenue, Orange, CA 92866, or via email at apehoushek@cityoforange.org, by 5:30 P.M. on March 30, 2009. Copies of the Environmental Impact Report are available for public review at the following locations:

- Orange Public Library & Local History Center (Main Library) (407 E. Chapman Avenue, Orange, CA 92866)
- Taft Branch Library (740 East Taft Avenue, Orange CA 92865)
- El Modena Branch Library (380 South Hews, Orange, CA 92865)
- Orange City Hall, Offices of the City Clerk and Community Development Department, 300 East Chapman Avenue, Orange CA 92866)
- Online at:
www.cityoforange.org/depts/commdev/general_plan_update.asp

**SIGNIFICANT
ENVIRONMENTAL
EFFECTS:**

As described in detail in the draft EIR, development associated with the Comprehensive General Plan Update could result in significant impacts related to aesthetics, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology/soils, hazards and hazardous materials, noise, public services and utilities, transportation/traffic, recreation, and climate change.

**FURTHER
INFORMATION:**

To obtain further information about the project, please contact Anna Pehoushek, Principal Planner at the City of Orange Planning Division at (714) 744-7228 or via e-mail at apehoushek@cityoforange.org.

If you challenge any decision to approve this request in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in a written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing.