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Notice of Availability

DATE: January 27, 2022
TO: RESPONSIBLE AND TRUSTEE AGENCIES AND INTERESTED PARTIES
SUBJECT: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE

The City of Claremont is the Lead Agency pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has prepared an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) addressing the Housing Element Update and associated update of the Safety Element of the General Plan. This Notice of Availability (NOA) has been prepared and distributed to provide an opportunity for responsible and trustee agencies and interested parties to submit comments related to the DEIR, relative to the attached project summary. Agencies should comment on such information as it relates to their statutory responsibilities in connection with the Housing Element Update. The City has also prepared an Initial Study for the Housing Element Update EIR. This NOA is being circulated pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21153(a) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15082 and the DEIR is available for review along with the NOP on the City's website: <https://www.ci.claremont.ca.us/living/draft-housing-element>. A printed copy will be available at City offices upon request.

Project Name: City of Claremont Housing Element Update
Project Location: City of Claremont (citywide) in the County of Los Angeles (see Figure 1 attached).
Public Comment Period: The City of Claremont welcomes and will consider all written comments on the Draft EIR. The 45 day public review period begins on **January 27, 2022**, and ends on **March 14, 2022** at 5:00 p.m. Please direct your comments to:
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Please include your name, phone number and email or postal address.

Project Summary

Project Description

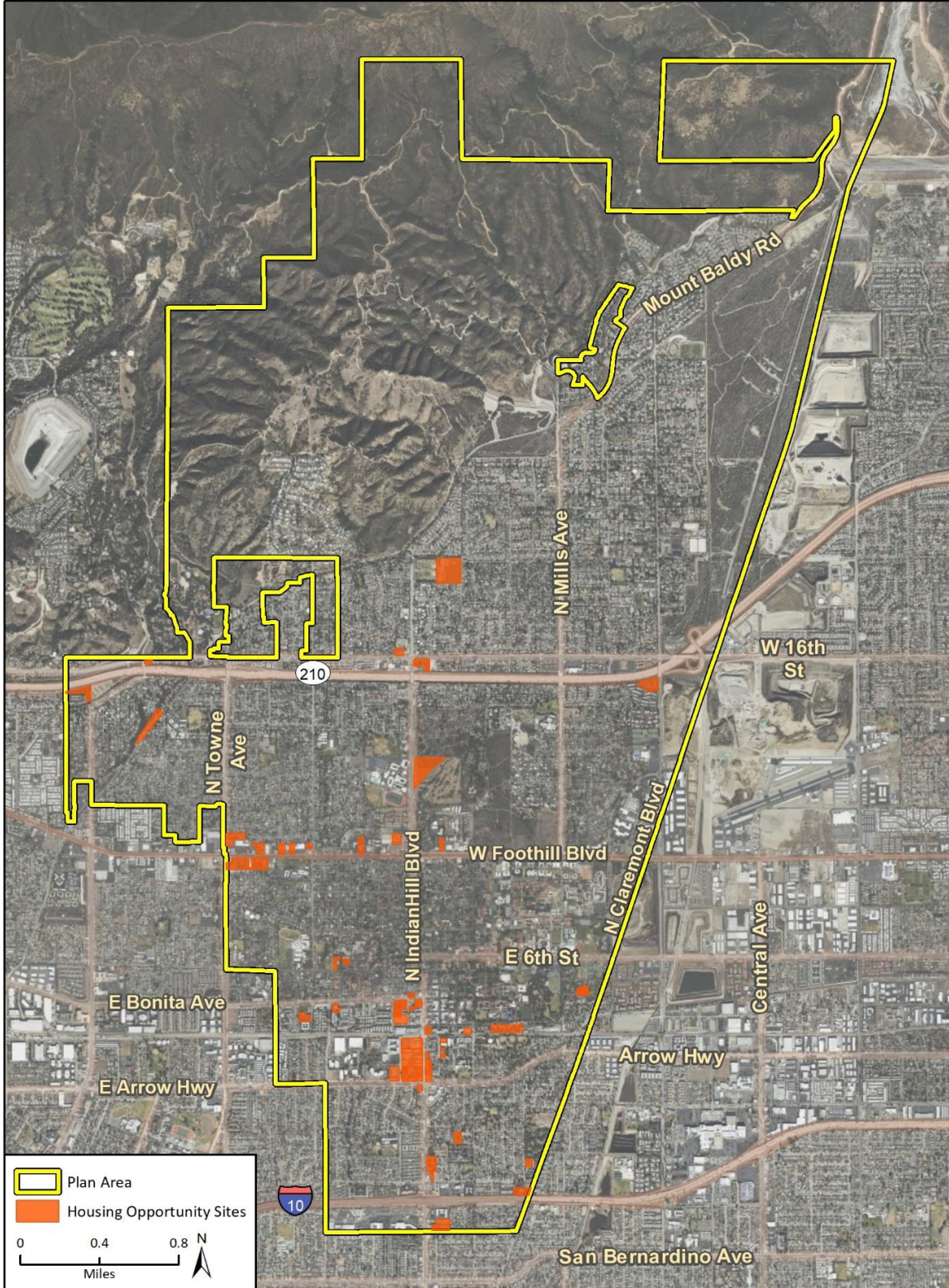
The project would amend the City of Claremont General Plan by replacing the current Housing Element with the proposed 2021-2029 Housing Element identifying housing opportunity sites (Figure 1) and updating the Safety Element of the General Plan to reflect recent changes in State law. The City's General Plan was last updated in July 2012 and program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the General Plan was completed in October 2006. The Housing Element was last updated in July 2019.

Environmental Effects Evaluated in the Draft EIR

The City prepared an Initial Study for the proposed project and determined the project may have a potentially significant impact on the environment and that preparation of an EIR is the appropriate level of documentation pursuant to CEQA. The EIR evaluated potential impacts in air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, population and housing, transportation, and utilities and service systems were determined to be less than significant or having no impact. Potentially significant impacts related to aesthetics, biological resources, and tribal and cultural resources would be reduced to less than significant with implementation of mitigation measures. The project would result in one significant impact to tribal cultural and cultural resources, that would remain significant and unavoidable with implementation of Mitigation Measure CR-2.



Figure 1 City of Claremont and Housing Opportunity Sites



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Fig. 1 Housing Opportunity Sites