



Notice of Availability Cotati General Plan Update Draft Program Environmental Impact Report

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Project Title: 2013 Cotati General Plan Update

Project Location: All lands within the Cotati city limits and the Cotati Sphere of Influence .

Project Description: The City of Cotati is preparing a comprehensive update to their existing General Plan, which was adopted in 1998. The update is expected to be complete in late 2013.

The overall purpose of the 2013 Cotati General Plan is to create a policy framework that articulates a vision for the City's long-term physical form and development, while preserving and enhancing the quality of life for Cotati residents. The key components of the General Plan will include broad goals for the future of Cotati, objectives for meeting those goals, and specific policies and action items that will help meet the goals and objectives.

The 2013 Cotati General Plan will include a comprehensive set of goals, objectives, policies and implementation measures, as well as a revised Land Use Map. The State requires that the General Plan contain seven mandatory elements: Land Use, Circulation, Housing, Open Space, Noise, Safety and Conservation. The Housing Element was completed ahead of the rest of the General Plan Elements, and was adopted by the City Council on December 12, 2012. The 2013 Cotati General Plan will include all of the State-mandated elements, as well as optional elements, including: Economic Vitality, Community Services and Facilities, and Community Health and Wellness.

Public Review: 45 days, extending from September 9, 2014 to October 24, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

Document Availability: The Draft EIR and the Public Draft General Plan are available for review at the Cotati Community Development Department, 201 West Sierra Avenue, Cotati, CA 94931 and online at www.cotati.generalplan.org

Provision of Comments: Members of the public and other interested agencies and individuals are invited to provide comments on the 2013 General Plan and Draft EIR. Written comments on the 2013 General Plan and the Draft EIR can be provided to the City at the address above during the 45-day public review period.

Significant Environmental Impacts: The Draft EIR identifies significant environmental impacts related to the following environmental topics: Aesthetics/Visual Resources, Noise, Traffic and Circulation, Wastewater Treatment, Cumulative Visual Character, Cumulative Noise, Cumulative Transportation and Circulation, Cumulative Utilities, and Irreversible Effects.