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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing in the Supervisors Meeting Room, 330 Fair Lane, Placerville, CA 95667 on July 18, 2017, at 2:00 p.m., to consider the General Plan Biological Resources Policy Update, Oak Resources Management Plan, and Oak Resources Conservation Ordinance (proposed Project).

The proposed Project consists of specific revisions to biological resources objectives, policies, and implementation measures included in the Conservation and Open Space Element of the County's General Plan, adoption of an Oak Resources Management Plan (ORMP), and adoption of an Oak Resources Conservation Ordinance to implement the ORMP. The proposed General Plan revisions are intended to establish a program for County-wide management of impacts to biological resources and mitigation for those impacts. The proposed Project would not directly impact the environment. Instead, it would alter the way by which the County regulates and mitigates future projects that may impact the area's biological resources. A Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been prepared for the Project.

The proposed Project includes proposed amendments to several General Plan objectives, policies, and implementation measures to address the County's need for a clear, defensible, feasible, and reasonable approach to managing biological resource impacts, including, but not limited to, impacts to oak trees and oak woodland resources. The ORMP identifies specific requirements for evaluation and mitigation of impacts to oak woodlands, oak trees, and Heritage Trees (individual native oak trees with trunk diameters measuring 36-inches and greater) and includes an in-lieu fee payment option for impacts to oak woodlands and individual native oak trees.

The proposed amendments to General Plan objectives, policies, and implementation measures would be applicable to development projects throughout the unincorporated areas of the County. The ORMP requirements would apply to development projects at or below 4,000 feet above sea level, which is the upper elevational threshold for oak woodlands. The proposed Project would not affect incorporated areas, such as Placerville and South Lake Tahoe, nor would it affect areas under federal jurisdiction, such as Tahoe National Forest. The County of El Dorado encompasses approximately 1,800 square miles that begins at the eastern edge of Sacramento County and stretches to the Nevada state line in South Lake Tahoe. On April 27, 2017, the Planning Commission held a public hearing to receive public comments and prepare recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on the Final EIR and approval of the Project. The Planning Commission approved staff's recommendation for the Board to take the actions outlined in the Staff Report, Section 8 - Department Recommendation (Attachment 22A to Legislar File 12-1203) located on the County's website (see Agenda Calendar: <https://eldorado.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> for Planning Commission Meeting Date 04/27/2017). The Planning Commission also requested staff to forward the following selective recommendations to the Board for the Board's consideration: 1) Add language to Ordinance Section 130.39.080 (Enforcement) from the ORMP Maintenance and Monitoring Program; 2) Redefine Heritage Oak Tree diameter size to 20 inches (from 36 inches, ORMP Section 8.0, Definitions); 3) Change bi-annual reporting to annual reporting and include expenses and income in Ordinance Section 130.39.090.B (Bi-Annual Reporting - Oak Woodland Conservation Fund Fees); 4) Increase in-lieu fee for Oak Woodland based on acquisition land values in El Dorado County (ORMP, Section 3.0, In-Lieu Fee); 5) Enforcement of mitigation monitoring and reporting needs to be more effectively applied; and 6) Establish long-term funding for Mitigation and Monitoring in perpetuity.

The EIR, text of the proposed amendments to General Plan policies, objectives, and implementation measures, draft ORMP, and draft Oak Resources Conservation Ordinance are available for viewing at the Planning and Building Department public counter at 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville, California. The counter is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. These materials are also available on the County website on the project webpage:

<http://www.edcgov.us/Government/longrangeplanning/environmental/Pages/biopolicyupdate.aspx>

The Board of Supervisors meetings will be video recorded and live web streamed on the County's website: <https://eldorado.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> (Board of Supervisors Meeting Date 07/18/2017).

All persons interested are invited to attend and be heard or to write their comments to the Board of Supervisors at 330 Fair Lane, Placerville, CA 95667; or via e-mail: edc.cob@edcgov.us. If you challenge the project in court, you may be limited to raising only those items you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Board at, or prior to, the public hearing. Any questions regarding this project should be directed to the County of El Dorado Planning and Building Department, 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville, CA 95667 or via e-mail: planning@edcgov.us.

COUNTY OF EL DORADO PLANNING COMMISSION
ROGER TROUT, Executive Secretary
July 7, 2017