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Dated at Placerville, California, on this 9th day
of MARCH, 2017


Signature

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The County of El Dorado Planning Commission will hold a public hearing in the Building C Hearing Room, 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville, CA 95667 on Thursday, March 23, 2017, at 8:30 a.m., on the General Plan Biological Resources Policy Update, Oak Resources Management Plan, and Oak Resources Conservation Ordinance (Project) to receive public comment and prepare recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on the Final Environmental Impact Report and approval of the 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. 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 General Plan Biological Resources Policy Update, Oak Resources Management Plan (ORMP), and Oak Resources Conservation Ordinance (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.

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).

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. (Contact: Anne Novotny)

A Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been prepared. The EIR and the text of the proposed updated General Plan policies are available for viewing at the Community Development Agency, Development Services Division-Planning Services counter, at 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville, California. The public counter is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The EIR is also available on the County website on the project webpage: <http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/Environmental/BioPolicyUpdate.aspx>

Planning Commission agendas are available two weeks prior at: <https://eldorado.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

All persons interested are invited to attend and be heard or to write their comments to the Planning Commission.

If you challenge the application 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 Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing. Any written correspondence should be directed to the County of El Dorado Community Development Agency, Development Services Division-Planning Services, 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville, CA 95667 or via e-mail: planning@edcgov.us.

To ensure delivery to the Commission prior to the hearing, written information from the public is encouraged to be submitted by Thursday the week prior to the meeting. Planning Services cannot guarantee that any FAX or mail received the day of the Commission meeting will be delivered to the Commission prior to any action.

COUNTY OF EL DORADO PLANNING COMMISSION
ROGER TROUT, Executive Secretary
March 8, 2017

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