



## Legislation Text

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Planning and Building Department, Planning Services Division, Long Range Planning Unit, recommending the Board receive a presentation from Greg Chew, Senior Planner for the Sacramento Area Council of Governments, and Paul McDougall, Policy Manager, Division of Housing Policy Development at the California Housing and Community Development Department, regarding the upcoming methodology process for the 2021-2029 Regional Housing Needs Assessment for the 2021-2029 Housing Element Update of the General Plan. (Est. Time: 30 Min.)

**FUNDING:** N/A

### **DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND**

The state initiates housing element cycles by calculating statewide housing needs. The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) evaluates the overall need and distributes regional housing needs based on Department of Finance population projections and regional population forecasts used in preparing regional transportation plans to Councils of Governments representing various regions (or counties) of the state. The Councils of Governments then allocate housing needs to jurisdictions that they represent. El Dorado County is a member of the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG), which acts as the Council of Government for a six-county region that includes Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo, Yuba, Placer, and El Dorado Counties.

Consistent with state law (Government Code Section 65584), SACOG prepares and adopts a Regional Housing Needs Plan (RHNP) for each Housing Element update cycle. The 2021-2029 RHNP will allocate, by jurisdiction, the “fair share” of the region’s projected housing needs by household income group through 2029. The RHNP also identifies and quantifies existing housing needs for each jurisdiction, including unincorporated El Dorado County. As it develops regional needs, SACOG considers factors such as market demand for housing, employment opportunities, availability of suitable sites and public facilities, loss of existing affordable units, transportation, and special housing needs. The HCD provides guidelines for preparation of the plans, and ultimately certifies the plans as adequate.

The major goal of the RHNP is to assure a fair distribution of housing targets among cities and counties so that every community provides an opportunity for a mix of housing affordable to all of its economic segments. SACOG is currently developing the methodology that will distribute the unincorporated El Dorado County Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) by “East Slope” (Tahoe National Forest Area and Lake Tahoe Basin) and “West Slope” (the remainder of the county.)

### **ALTERNATIVES**

N/A

### **PRIOR BOARD ACTION**

N/A

**OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT**

N/A

**CAO RECOMMENDATION / COMMENTS**

It is recommended that the Board receive and file the presentation.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

N/A

**CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS**

N/A

**STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT**

Economic Development - Housing

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