

## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SUPPLEMENTAL EIR AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 6:00 p.m. February 25, 2009

## GOLETA GENERAL PLAN / COASTAL LAND USE PLAN TRACK 3 - GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENTS DRAFT SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (SEIR) State Clearinghouse Number: 2005031151

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the City of Goleta, as Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), has completed a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) for the proposed Track 3 Amendments to the Goleta General Plan / Coastal Land Use Plan. The City invites comments on the adequacy and completeness of the environmental analyses and mitigation measures described in the Draft SEIR. A public hearing to consider the Draft SEIR will be held by the City's Environmental Hearing Officer on the date and time set forth below.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The affected area includes all territory located within the boundaries of the City of Goleta, comprising approximately 7.9 square miles or 5,075 acres. The City is situated along the U.S. 101 freeway about 10 miles west of Santa Barbara between the foothills of the Santa Ynez Mountains and the Pacific shoreline. The southerly portion of the City is within the California Coastal Zone.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Goleta General Plan / Coastal Land Use Plan contains policies that guide future development in the City of Goleta. The City refers to the set of proposed General Plan Amendments contained in Case No. 07-202-GPA as "Track 3 Substantive Policy Revisions." Track 3 General Plan Amendments affect the policies, tables, and maps in the Land Use, Conservation, Open Space, and Transportation Elements of the General Plan / Coastal Land Use Plan, and requires a Supplemental EIR to the Final EIR certified in October 2006.

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FINDINGS:** The Draft SEIR has been prepared pursuant to the requirements of the state and local Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Draft SEIR identifies and discusses potential impacts, mitigation measures, monitoring requirements, and residual impacts for identified subject areas. All effects on the environment identified in the 2006 Final EIR were evaluated in relation to the proposed "Track 3" General Plan Amendments. No new potentially significant effects on the environment were identified as a result of the proposed General Plan Amendments, and one new potentially significant effect on the environment related to air quality was identified as a result of recent State regulatory changes.

PUBLIC HEARING: Wednesday, February 25, 2009 at 6:00 PM

PLACE: City Council Meeting Room

**Goleta City Hall** 

130 Cremona Drive, Suite B, Goleta, CA 93117

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** The Draft SEIR will be available for public review and may be obtained on and after January 29, 2009 at the City of Goleta, 130 Cremona Drive, Suite B, Goleta, CA 93117. The Draft SEIR will also be available on CD-ROM and posted on the City's website at <a href="https://www.cityofgoleta.org">www.cityofgoleta.org</a>. Copies will also be available at the Goleta Valley Public Library at 500 North Fairview Avenue, Goleta.

**HOW TO COMMENT:** The public comment period begins on January 29, 2009 and will end on March 16, 2009 at 5 PM. All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing and to present written and/or oral comments. All letters should be addressed to Planning and Environmental Services, 130 Cremona Drive, Suite B, Goleta, CA 93117; fax (805) 685-2635; Attention: Dan Nemechek. Written comments must be provided prior to the close of the public review period at 5 PM on March 16, 2009; oral and/or written comments may be provided at the public hearing on the date and times specified above.

**Note:** In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this hearing, please contact the Planning and Environmental Services Administrative Assistant at (805) 961-7500. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the hearing will enable City staff to make reasonable arrangements.

<u>Note</u>: If you challenge the City's final action on this project in court, you may be limited to only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City on or before the date of the hearing (Government Code Section 65009[b][2]).

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