



# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

## LONG RANGE PLANNING

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### COUNTY OF EL DORADO

#### NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT EIR FOR THE SIGN ORDINANCE UPDATE PROJECT (SCH NO. 201402001)

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The County of El Dorado Community Development Agency, as the Lead Agency, has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Sign Ordinance Update. The DEIR is prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines. This DEIR is available for public review for a 45-day period beginning **Wednesday, December 31, 2014 and ending at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 17, 2015.** The purpose of this comment period is to solicit comments from public agencies and interested parties/persons regarding the content of the DEIR and potential environmental impacts that may result from the project implementation, not the positive or negative attributes of the proposed project itself.

A meeting to accept comments on the DEIR will be held on **Thursday, January 29, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Planning Commission Hearing Room, 2850 Fairlane Court, Building C, Placerville, CA 95667. All interested parties are invited to attend the open house. Comment cards will be available for submitting written comments concerning the Draft EIR.

“The County is proposing a comprehensive update to the Sign Ordinance which has not been updated since 1980. The intent of the Sign Ordinance update is to ensure signs are consistent with the visual and aesthetic goals and policies set by the El Dorado County General Plan and to protect the county’s visual appearance and scenic landscapes,” said Dave Defanti, Assistant Director, Community Development Agency, Long Range Planning.

The proposed project consists of the adoption and implementation of a comprehensive update to the County’s existing Sign Ordinance (Chapter 17.16 of the Zoning Ordinance) and amendment of General Plan Objective 2.7.1 and corresponding Policy 2.7.1.2 pertaining to billboards along identified scenic corridors and historic routes. The proposed project does not involve amendments to the County General Plan land use designations or zoning districts or any new entitlements. The proposed project applies only to the unincorporated areas of the county; in such areas, it applies to signs located or mounted on private property, as well as County property and land owned by public entities over which the County has land use regulatory authority. The proposed project does not apply to lands subject to the regulatory authority of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency including the area east of Echo Summit. The Draft EIR will evaluate the environmental impacts on aesthetics associated with implementation of the proposed project. The DEIR and supporting information is available online at: [http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/LandUse/Sign\\_Ordinance\\_Update.aspx](http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/LandUse/Sign_Ordinance_Update.aspx)

The DEIR may also be reviewed at the Community Development Agency Planning Services Public Counter located at 2850 Fairlane Court, Building C in Placerville. Copies are also available to review at the County libraries. For library locations and hours, visit the website at: [www.eldoradolibrary.org](http://www.eldoradolibrary.org)

**All written public and agency comments must be received by 5:00 PM on Tuesday, February 17, 2015.** Please email, fax, mail or hand-deliver your comments to: Anne Novotny, El Dorado County Community Development Agency, Long Range Planning, 2850 Fairlane Ct., Building C, Placerville, CA 95667. Email: [anne.novotny@edcgov.us](mailto:anne.novotny@edcgov.us)  
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