



# Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning

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**NOTICE OF COMPLETION AND AVAILABILITY  
FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE  
SKYLINE RANCH PROJECT  
County Project No. 04-075  
Tract Map 060922  
General Plan Amendment 200900009  
Conditional Use Permit 200900121  
Conditional Use Permit and Oak Tree Permit 04-075  
Highway Realignment Case 200900001  
State Clearinghouse Number 2004101090**

The County of Los Angeles Department of Regional Planning acting in the capacity of "Lead Agency" under the County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Chapter III, Section 304, has filed a "Notice of Completion" of a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the **Skyline Ranch Project**. This document has been prepared in accordance with, and pursuant to, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended; Public Resources Code, Section 21000-21178; and the "Guidelines for California Environmental Quality Act" (State CEQA Guidelines), and California Code of Regulation, Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15000-15387.

## **PROPOSED PROJECT AND SITE LOCATION**

The proposed Skyline Ranch project site occupies approximately 2,173 acres. The project is a request to develop on approximately 622 acres of the site, which includes 1,313 lots consisting of 1,260 residential lots, an approximately 11-acre elementary school site, 10 lots for park areas, 13 debris basin lots, four (4) water tank/booster pump station lots and 25 open space lots. Nearly three quarters of the site (the northern 1,551 acres) is proposed to remain undeveloped, with approximately 1,355 acres dedicated or designated as open space through establishment of the proposed Skyline Ranch Conservation Area (SRCA). Approximately 166 acres of undeveloped land in the northern portion of the site on the Cruzan Mesa would remain undeveloped and designated as a Non-Development/Continuing Use Area. Also within the northern portion of the site approximately 22 acres would be preserved as a Mitigation Exchange Area for 22 acres of preserve area within adjacent recorded Tract 46018. The project includes a General Plan Amendment to Amend the Master Plan of Highways to include Skyline Ranch Road as a Secondary Highway; a Highway Realignment to realign Whites Canyon Road to Skyline Ranch Road from Plum Canyon Road to Sierra Highway; two Conditional Use Permit applications due to Density-Controlled Development, Hillside Management Areas, On and Off-site Grading and Road Construction, Temporary Materials Processing Facility; and an Oak Tree Permit for the Removal of One Oak Tree.

The proposed project is located in the Santa Clarita Valley west of Sierra Highway, north of Highway 14 (Antelope Valley Freeway) and the City of Santa Clarita. The project site includes various undeveloped parcels west of Sierra Highway (Mint Canyon) between the Santa Clara River and Vasquez Canyon (34° 16.9' 26" north latitude and 118° 17.4' 27" west longitude). Please refer to the attached Figure 1, Project Location Map.

Topics found to have significant unavoidable impacts are: visual qualities, noise, air quality, law enforcement services, cumulative traffic, solid waste disposal and global climate change.

## **REVIEWING LOCATIONS**

The formal public review period for the FEIR will be from **February 18, 2010 to March 3, 2010** (13 days).

A public hearing on this FEIR and the proposed project has been scheduled before the Los Angeles County Regional Planning Commission at 9:00 a.m. on **Wednesday, March 3, 2010** in the Regional Planning Commission Hearing Room, 320 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012. All comments received on the Draft EIR (DEIR) from commenting agencies, organizations and the public during the formal review period (July 29, 2009 to September 14, 2009) and at the public hearings before the Regional Planning Commission held on September 16, 2009 and December 16, 2009, have been considered and/or incorporated into the FEIR.

To ensure public access to the FEIR, copies of the document are available for review at the County libraries listed below:

County of Los Angeles  
Newhall Library  
22704 W. Ninth Street  
Santa Clarita, CA 91321

County of Los Angeles  
Canyon Country Jo Anne Darcy Library  
18601 Soledad Canyon Road  
Santa Clarita, CA 91351

County of Los Angeles  
Valencia Library  
23743 W. Valencia Blvd.  
Santa Clarita, CA 91355

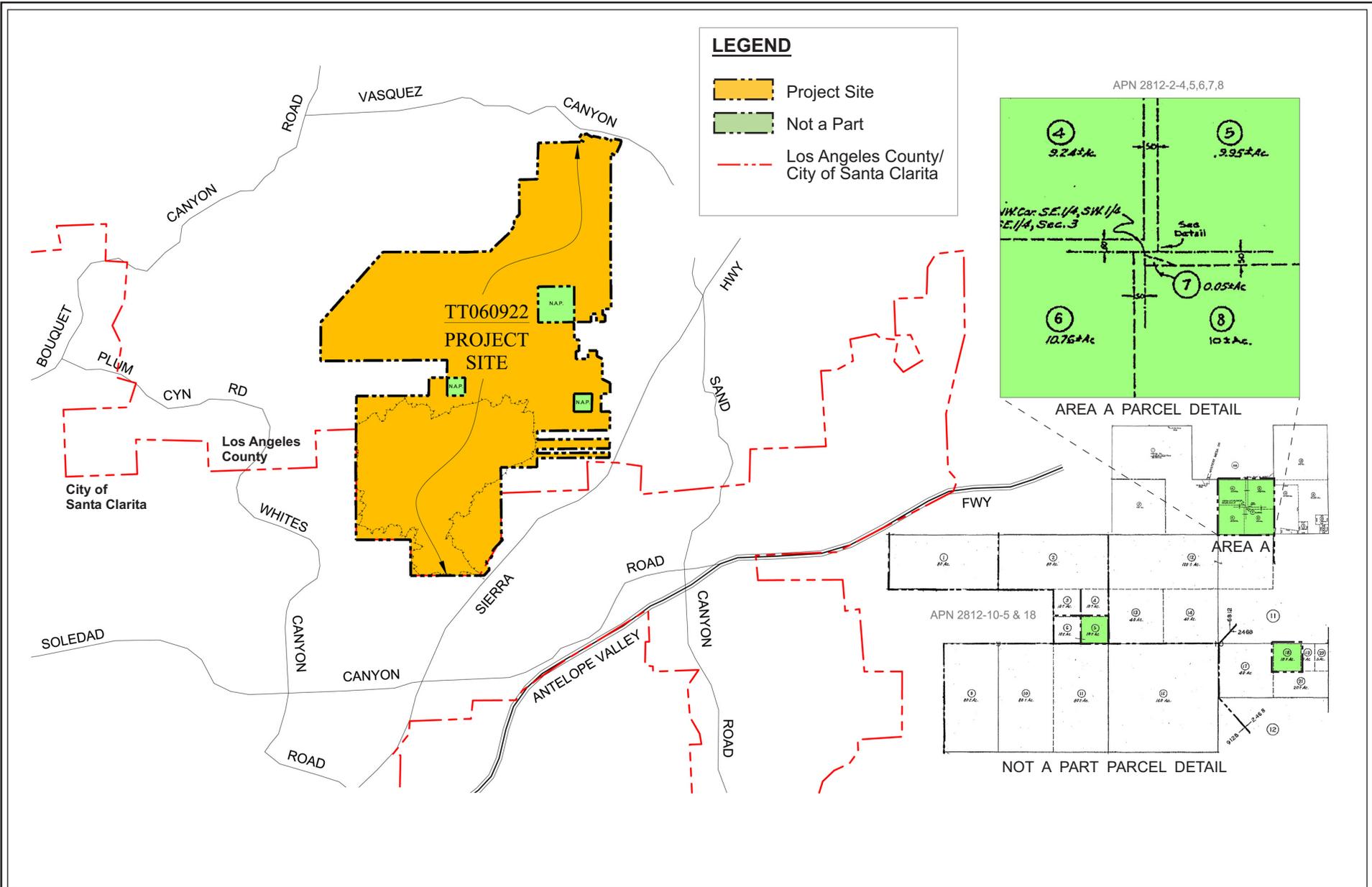
Los Angeles County Public Library  
7400 E. Imperial Highway  
Downey, CA 90241

Copies of the FEIR will also be available for public review Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at:

County of Los Angeles  
Department of Regional Planning  
Impact Analysis Section, Room 1348,  
320 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

The FEIR may also be viewed on the internet at: <http://www.planning.lacounty.gov/case/all>

Please submit written comments on the FEIR to **Michele Bush** of the Department of Regional Planning at the above address or [mbush@planning.lacounty.gov](mailto:mbush@planning.lacounty.gov). Review of the FEIR should focus on the responses to comments on the Draft EIR.



Not to Scale

Source: Sikand Engineering, 2007

Figure 1  
Project Location Map