



Los Angeles County
Department of Regional Planning

Planning for the Challenges Ahead



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PROJECT NO. 2017003368 – ADVANCE PLANNING NO. RPPL2017005805
SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AREA PLAN CLEAN UP
RPC MEETING: MAY 17, 2017 – AGENDA ITEM: 9

At your meeting on May 17, 2017, the Community Studies North Section will provide your Commission with an overview of the Santa Clarita Valley Area Plan (SCVAP) Clean Up project, which includes the following:

Plan Amendment

- Boundary adjustments to the SCVAP to include all of the Agua Dulce Community Standards District, and to the Antelope Valley Area Plan (AV Plan) to reflect adjusted parcels in Sand Canyon area;
- Correct designations in the AV Plan the adjusted Sand Canyon parcels;
- Incorporation of the Castaic Area Multi-Use Trails Plan into the SCVAP; and
- Amend the Los Angeles County (County) General Plan to reflect the necessary changes.

Zone Change

- Correct zone change errors with the adoption of the SCVAP; and
- Correct zoning for the adjusted Sand Canyon parcels.

BACKGROUND

In 1984, the County Board of Supervisors (Board) adopted the SCVAP, which established goals and polices specifically addressing the Santa Clarita Valley.

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In 2012, the Board adopted a comprehensive update to the SCVAP. This update was a joint effort with the City of Santa Clarita called "One Valley One Vision" in recognition of the mutual need to coordinate land uses, development, infrastructure, and the conservation of natural resources and other common objectives for the Santa Clarita Valley. The 2012 SCVAP update also included a Zone Change Ordinance for consistency with the SCVAP.

Since 2012, a small number of parcels in the Santa Clarita Valley were discovered to have been changed in error through the zone change effort. In October 2016, the Board adopted an update to the Castaic Area Multi-Use Trails Plan, which is within the boundaries of the SCVAP. Parcel boundaries for specific parcels in the Sand Canyon area of the Antelope Valley were also recently discovered to be in the wrong location, and have since been adjusted through the County Assessors' office.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Based upon the foregoing, staff recommends that your Commission instruct the Department of Regional Planning to:

- Prepare a Plan Amendment for clean-up to the Santa Clarita Valley Area Plan, Antelope Valley Area Plan, and General Plan;
- Prepare a Zone Change Ordinance to correct zone change errors and clean-up;
- Prepare the appropriate environmental document; and
- Schedule a future public hearing to consider these clean-up changes.

NEXT STEPS

Upon direction by your Commission, staff will prepare the necessary documents, including staff report, maps and associated environmental document, for a future public hearing before your Commission.

If you need further information, please contact Mr. David McDonald at (213) 974-6476 or dmcDonald@planning.lacounty.gov. Department office hours are Monday through Thursday from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Department is closed on Fridays.

SUGGESTED MOTION

"I MOVE THAT THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION INSTRUCT THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING TO PREPARE A PLAN AMENDMENT TO THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AREA PLAN, ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA PLAN AND THE GENERAL PLAN; A ZONE CHANGE ORDINANCE; AND THE NECESSARY ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT; FOR THIS CLEAN-UP EFFORT."