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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY  
MOVAL 2040 REVISED DRAFT PROGRAM EIR  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT  
PEN25-0020  
SCH No. 2020039022**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) and CEQA Guidelines, the City of Moreno Valley has prepared a Revised Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (“EIR”) for the proposed MoVal 2040 Project, which consists of the 2024 General Plan Update (“2024 GPU”), associated Zoning Text Amendments to Title 9 (Planning & Zoning) and Zoning Atlas Amendments, and 2024 Climate Action Plan (“CAP”).

On June 15, 2021, the City Council of the City of Moreno Valley (“City Council”) approved the previous MoVal 2040 Project, which consisted of the 2021 General Plan Update (“2021 GPU”), associated Zoning Text Amendments to Title 9 (Planning & Zoning) and Zoning Atlas Amendments, and 2021 Climate Action Plan (CAP), and certified a 2021 Program Environmental Impact Report (“EIR”) (State Clearinghouse No. 2020039022). On October 28, 2021, the Sierra Club filed a First Amended Petition for Writ of Mandate and Complaint for Declaratory Relief (“Petition”) against the City, alleging violations of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines and challenging the City Council’s approval of the previous MoVal 2040 Project and certification of the 2021 Program EIR. On March 5, 2024, the Court issued a Statement of Decision granting the Petition on the issues of “inadequate baseline, air quality/climate changes (greenhouse gas [GHG] emissions)/energy use analyses,” but denying the Petition on the issue of “land use analysis.” The Court followed up the Statement of Decision with a Peremptory Writ of Mandate (“Writ”), dated May 6, 2024, that ordered the City to set aside the approval of the 2021 GPU and its associated zoning and 2021 Climate Action Plan; and 2) to rescind certification of the 2021 Program EIR.

Consistent with Section 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines, this Revised Draft Program EIR provides a programmatic analysis of the environmental impacts associated with implementation of the goals, policies, actions, and projected buildout associated with the following:

- 2024 General Plan Update (2024 GPU),
- Associated Zoning Text Amendments to Title 9 (Planning & Zoning) and Zoning Atlas Amendments, and
- 2024 Climate Action Plan (CAP)

These three separate planning documents are collectively referred to as the MoVal 2040 Project (Project).

In light of the limited scope of the Statement of Decision, the Project consists of targeted revisions to the originally adopted 2021 General Plan and 2021 CAP, based on a 2024 baseline, air quality, climate changes (GHG emissions) and energy use, and readoption of the associated Zoning Text Amendments to Title 9 (Planning & Zoning) and Zoning Atlas Amendments, approved in 2021, since the Court denied the Sierra Club's Petition on the issue of land use.

The MoVal 2040 Project will help guide the physical development and growth within the City and its Sphere of Influence. The 2024 CAP will allow the City to identify and mitigate greenhouse gas emissions within the same areas.

**Project Title:** PEN25-0020 - MoVal 2040 Project: 2024 General Plan Update, Associated Zoning Text Amendments to Title 9 (Planning & Zoning) and Zoning Atlas Amendments, and 2024 Climate Action Plan (CAP).

**Location:** The Project will help guide the physical development and growth within the City and its Sphere of Influence, with the 2024 CAP allowing the City to identify and mitigate greenhouse gas emissions within the same geographic areas.

**Description:** The Project consists of targeted revisions to the originally adopted 2021 General Plan and 2021 CAP, based on a 2024 baseline, air quality, climate changes (GHG emissions) and energy use, and readoption of the associated Zoning Text Amendments to Title 9 (Planning & Zoning) and Zoning Atlas Amendments, approved in 2021, since the Court denied the Petition on the issue of land use.

**Significant Environmental Impacts:**

The Revised Draft Program EIR identified potentially significant environmental impacts to the following resources: Agriculture and Forestry Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources, Noise, and Transportation. With the incorporation of mitigation measures, potentially significant impacts to greenhouse gas emissions would be reduced to less than significant. However, even with mitigation incorporated, potentially significant impacts related to Agriculture and Forestry Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources, and Noise would remain significant and unavoidable. The Project incorporates goals and policies to reduce Vehicle Miles Traveled ("VMT") to the extent feasible; however, no additional mitigation was identified that could reduce VMT impacts to less than significant levels, and Transportation impacts would remain significant and unavoidable.

**Cortese List Notice:** Pursuant to Public Resources Code §21092.6(a), there are four active Envirostor sites and six active Geotracker hazardous materials sites within the City and the City's Sphere of Influence identified on the list of hazardous materials sites compiled by the California Department of Toxic Substances Control pursuant to Government Code §65962.5.

**Document Availability:** The Revised Draft Program EIR and its technical appendices are available for review on the City's website at (<https://moval.gov/cdd/documents/about-projects.html>) and at City Hall located at 14177 Frederick Street, Moreno Valley from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday and from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday.

In addition, the Revised Draft Program EIR is available for review at the City's three Library Branches located at:

- Main Branch, 25480 Alessandro Boulevard
- Mall Branch, 22500 Town Circle
- Iris Plaza Branch, 16170 Perris Boulevard

**45-day Public Review Period:** The Public Review Period shall commence July 7, 2025, through August 21, 2025.

**Submission of Written Comments:** Members of the public, responsible and trustee agencies, and other interested parties may submit written comments (including emailed comments) on the Revised Draft Program EIR during the 45-day Public Review Period. **Comments shall be limited to the revised portions of the Revised Draft Program EIR pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5(f)(2).** Written comments must be received at the City of Moreno Valley Community Development Department **no later than the conclusion of the 45-day review period, at 5:30 p.m. on August 21, 2025.**

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