HOUSING ELEMENT PROJECT CHECKLIST FORM Project Within the Scope of The Housing Element Program EIR



## **OVERVIEW**

On November 24, 2021, the City Council certified the Citywide Housing Element 2021-2029 and Safety Element Updates Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR), SCH No. 2021010130, EIR No. ENV-2020-6762-EIR (Program EIR), to adopt the 2021-2029 Citywide Housing Element and the Updates to the Safety Element and the Plan for a Healthy LA (Health Element). Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15168(c)(4) and 15168(d), the following Proposed Housing Project has been found to be within the scope of the program analyzed in the Program EIR and its environmental effects are within the scope of environmental impacts assessed in the Program EIR, and Addendum No. ENV-2020-6762-ADD1 and ENV-2020-6762-ADD2.

For additional information regarding this form, see the Housing Element Project Checklist Form Instructions (<u>CP-4091</u>) at the <u>Department of City Planning Forms Page</u>.

# **PROPOSED HOUSING PROJECT**

Name and Address of Proposed Project, or APN #s if no address:

**Brief Description of Proposed Project:** 

□ Please check this box if you have provided an attachment with additional project description information to this form.

## DETERMINATIONS

Based upon the attached, "Project Within the Scope of the Housing Element Program EIR Checklist and Analysis," the whole of the administrative record on the Proposed Housing Project, and a review and consideration of the Program EIR, the decisionmaker finds all the following statements to be true:

- 1. This Proposed Housing Project is within the scope of the previously approved program for which the Program EIR was certified.
- 2. This Proposed Housing Project will have no significant environmental effects not examined in the Program EIR.
- 3. The Program EIR adequately described the Proposed Housing Project for the purposes of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
- 4. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15162, no substantial changes to the project analyzed in the Program EIR are proposed as part of this Proposed Housing Project. Further, no substantial changes have occurred with respect to the circumstances under which the Program EIR was certified, and no new information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time that the Program EIR was certified as complete, has become available.
- 5. All applicable mitigation measures, identified in the Program EIR Mitigation Monitoring Program (Program MMP), have been satisfied or incorporated into the Proposed Housing Project or will be made into enforceable obligations on the Proposed Housing Project. A mitigation and monitoring program for the proposed housing project (Project MMP) has been prepared for adoption.

## **NOTES**

Reviewed and Approved by Planning Staff Signature:

Print Planner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number:

Date:

# ATTACHMENT

## PROJECT WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE HOUSING ELEMENT PROGRAM EIR - CHECKLIST AND ANALYSIS

The following checklist and analysis shall be used to determine if the Proposed Housing Project, described below, is within the scope of the Citywide Housing Element 2021-2029 and Safety Element Updates Final EIR, SCH No. 2021010130, EIR No. ENV-2020-6762 (Program EIR), certified by the City Council.

## A. PROPOSED HOUSING PROJECT CONTEXT

### A.1 **Project Location Details:**

A.2 Surrounding Area and Uses:

A.3 Project Contact/Owner Information:

#### A.4 Document Prepared by:

□ Check here if additional pages for Section A are attached.

# **B. PROGRAM EIR BACKGROUND**

## B.1 CEQA Guidelines Section 15168

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) provides for limited environmental review of subsequent projects under a Program EIR. (CEQA Guidelines Section 15168.) Later activities under a continuing program analyzed in the Program EIR must be examined to determine whether any additional environmental analysis must be conducted. (Guidelines Section 15168(c)(1).) If a lead agency finds that pursuant to Guidelines Section 15162, no subsequent EIR would be required, the lead agency can approve the activity as being within the scope of the project covered by the Program EIR, and no new environmental document would be required. (Guidelines Section 15168(c)(2).) Whether a later activity is within the scope of a Program EIR is a factual question that the lead agency determines based upon substantial evidence in the record. (Guidelines Section 15168(c)(2).) The lead agency shall incorporate feasible mitigation measures from the Program EIR Mitigation and Monitoring Program (MMP) into later activities in the program. (Guidelines Section 15168(c)(3).) Where the later activities involve site specific operations, the lead agency should use a written checklist to determine whether the environmental effects of the site-specific operations are within the scope of the Program EIR. (Guidelines Section 15168(c)(4).)

## B.2 Program EIR

In certifying the Program EIR and approving the project, the City Council adopted the following findings related to the scope of the project analyzed in the Program EIR and the types of impacts analyzed:

The EIR analyzed the build out of the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA), that is the build out of 420,327 housing units in eight years (456,643 RHNA minus 36,316 housing units that have received approvals but have not yet been built and/or received the certificate of occupancy [pipeline projects]). The EIR analyzed the program-level impacts from the full build out of the RHNA, as well as the project-level impacts that occur from the development of the types of housing projects that will be developed from build out of the RHNA. The following types of housing projects were analyzed and within the scope of this EIR:

- Multi-family residential, ranging from small apartment buildings with two to 10 units, medium apartment buildings with between 11-49 units, large apartment buildings with between 50-200 units, or larger apartment buildings and high-rise structures with more than 200 units.
- Single-family residential, ranging in size and scale from smaller single-family homes to larger single-family homes, small-lot subdivisions and new single subdivisions.
- Accessory dwelling units (ADUs), including attached ADUs, detached ADUs, Junior ADUs, ADUs converted from existing floor area, multiple ADUs on lots with existing multi-family dwellings, and Movable Tiny Homes.
- The mixed-use development ranges in size and scale from neighborhood commercial mixed-use with smaller nonresidential uses, to high-rise mixed-use with larger nonresidential uses.

• Conversion and/or rehabilitation of existing nonresidential, residential, or mixed-use structures to be used for housing.

Housing types for different income levels were analyzed, including single-resident occupancy and affordable housing that may be for families, seniors, residents with special needs or permanent supportive housing. The EIR also analyzed the impacts from various locations, geographies, and environments where build out of the RHNA could occur, including the following:

- Sites currently zoned for residential uses, including multi-family and single-family uses;
- Sites currently zoned for commercial uses, which permit residential uses;
- Sites currently zoned for hybrid industrial uses, which permit joint live-work residential uses;
- Non-vacant sites, and sites with existing housing;
- Sites located near public transit;
- Sites located in a Historic Preservation Overlay Zone (HPOZ)
- Sites located in areas with special environmental considerations, such as areas located by Open Space, Hillside Areas, Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones (VHFHSZ) or Coastal Zones.

To analyze project-level impacts on the environment from the variety of housing types and locations that could potentially be built to accommodate the RHNA citywide, the City established a team of experienced project planners who have experience in reviewing environmental documents and analyzing or consulting on environmental impacts for housing projects, as well as other development types, across the entire City geography, including project planners who work in the Major Projects Section, who are responsible for reviewing and preparing all EIRs citywide for the Planning Department; planners who work in the Citywide Environmental Policy Unit who are responsible for advising on all CEQA impact issues, training and advising planners on preparing CEQA clearances; as well as project planners who review and prepare exemptions, negative declarations, mitigated negative declarations, and sustainable communities environmental assessments (SCEAs) within specific geographies in the City. After assembling this consulting team, the City surveyed the thousands of environmental assessments that have been prepared in the last five years for housing development of the type that will build out the RHNA and selected 54 case studies to discuss in the EIR which identify both the typical- and worst-case environmental impacts from housing development. In the survey of environmental assessments, it was determined that the City reviews hundreds of discretionary housing projects every year for CEQA compliance, that the largest majority of housing projects do not require mitigation, as many housing development projects are found to be exempt from CEQA (specifically, hundreds of categorical exemptions are used for small to medium scale housing projects, including Class 32 for infill projects up to 75 units or less); and less than 10 percent of discretionary housing projects require an EIR due to significant and unavoidable impacts. Based on this, the case studies are more heavily weighted toward larger-scale projects or those in sensitive environments that are more likely to have significant impacts. Smaller projects in more urban infill areas typically do not require an EIR, a mitigated negative declaration, or SCEA, unless there are specific site conditions, such as historical resources, site contamination, or archaeological resources, that

raise potential environmental impact concerns. The case studies, which include EIRs, mitigated negative declarations, and SCEAs, were selected based on the type of project (e.g., multi-family residential, single-family residential, ADUs, mixed-use development, and conversion and/or rehabilitation), scale of project (single-family to large tower/mixed use), locations with the broadest range of geographies and environmental conditions, and levels of development and density (hillsides, urban, regional centers, coastal, and suburban areas), as well as projects that include income-restricted projects. The intent was to be conservative and identify all of the reasonably foreseeable ways housing can result in environmental impacts in the City, as well as identify the best mitigation measures developed to address those impacts. The City finds the case studies reviewed in the EIR and their identified level of impacts (i.e., no impacts, less than significant impacts, less than significant impacts with mitigation, and significant and unavoidable impacts) are representative of the typical- and worst-case environmental impacts of housing development to be built to accommodate the RHNA. Also, the City finds that it is not reasonably foreseeable that housing development that will build out the RHNA will have significant impacts in those impact categories that were scoped out in the Initial Study (Appendix A to the FEIR). Additionally, the City finds the mitigation measures, developed in the EIR and included in the MMP, to be used by projects within the scope of the EIR, are comprehensive and based on the screening criteria included in those mitigation measures, further studies, and performance standards will, in a majority of circumstances, reduce environmental impacts from housing development to less than significant. However, based on the findings below and the EIR analysis, even with the application of the mitigation measures in the MMP, significant impacts identified in the Program EIR Findings can still occur from housing development of all types throughout the City. The City Council finds the EIR has analyzed and identified the significant impacts that are reasonably foreseeable from housing development in the City for the types of housing projects (described above) that will accommodate the RHNA. (Appendix A: Citywide Housing Element 2021-2029 and Safety Element Updates Final EIR, CEQA Findings of Facts and Statement of Overriding Considerations.)

Additional information regarding the analysis of the impacts from housing projects or the Housing Element Program and build-out of the RHNA is provided in <u>Environmental Analysis</u>, <u>Section 4.0, of the Draft EIR</u>.

## B.3 Environmental Impacts Analyzed in the Program EIR

The environmental impacts analyzed and the impact conclusions identified for Projects within the Scope of the Program EIR are shown in <u>Appendix A, CEQA Findings of Facts and Statement of</u> <u>Overriding Consideration for the 2021-2029 Citywide Housing Element and Safety Element Updates</u>, and in the Program EIR, which may be found at <u>https://planning.lacity.org/development-services/eir</u>.

## B.4 Program EIR Mitigation Measures

The City Council adopted the <u>Program MMP for the 2021-2029 Housing Element</u>, (Program MMP). The Program MMP provides that, subject to City authority, the applicable mitigation measures in the Program MMP shall be imposed as conditions of approval for a project analyzed as a subsequent approval pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15168.

## C. FINDING THAT THE PROPOSED HOUSING PROJECT IS A PROJECT WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE PROGRAM FOR WHICH THE PROGRAM EIR WAS CERTIFIED

Check all of the boxes in Table C-1 that describe the Proposed Housing Project:

#### Table C-1

	<b>Multi-family residential development</b> – Range from small apartment buildings with two to 10
	units, medium apartment buildings with between 11-49 units, large apartment buildings with
	between 50-200 units, or larger apartment buildings and high-rise structures with more than
	200 units

- Single-family residential development Range in size and scale from smaller single-family homes to larger single-family homes, small lot subdivisions, and new single-family subdivisions
- Accessory dwelling unit (ADU) Include attached ADUs, detached ADUs, Junior ADUs, ADUs converted from existing floor area, multiple ADUs on lots with existing multi-family dwellings, and Movable Tiny Houses
- □ **Mixed-use development** Range in size and scale from neighborhood commercial mixed use with smaller nonresidential uses, to high-rise mixed-use with larger nonresidential uses
- □ **Conversion and/or rehabilitation** Existing nonresidential, residential and mixed-use structures to be converted/rehabilitated for housing
- □ **Housing type for different income levels**, including single-resident occupancy and affordable housing that may be for families, seniors, residents with special needs or permanent supportive housing

## **SECTION C CONCLUSION**

Check one of the following:

## □ AT LEAST ONE BOX IN TABLE C-1 IS CHECKED

The Proposed Housing Project is within the scope of the program that was analyzed in the Program EIR. Go to Section D and E to determine if the site-specific environmental effects of the Proposed Housing Development are within the scope of the Program EIR.

## □ NONE OF THE BOXES IN TABLE C-1 ARE CHECKED

The Proposed Housing Project is not within the scope of the program that was analyzed in the Program EIR. A separate environmental analysis is required.

# D. MITIGATION MEASURES FOR THE PROPOSED HOUSING PROJECT

The mitigation measures (MMs) listed in the Mitigation Measure Tables, in Section D.1 below, list each of the MMs in the <u>Program MMP</u>. To complete this Section D, each MM in the Mitigation Measure Tables shall be reviewed to determine if the threshold for the measure is met or triggered for the Proposed Housing Project.

The following steps shall be followed to complete Section D:

In the Mitigation Measure Tables in Section D.1, for each referenced mitigation measures "MM", check "Yes" or "No" by following these instructions:

- For any MM for which the project does not meet the threshold of applicability (that is, it is not triggered), mark "No" and provide a brief explanation citing to the evidence as to why it is not triggered by the project. To determine the threshold trigger you may look at the Housing Element Checklist Instruction [Form CP-4091] or the mitigation measures itself in the Program MMP.
- If a MM meets the threshold for applicability and is triggered by the project but will not be implemented either because there is a substituted measure or it cannot be implemented for some reason, mark the MM as "Yes." If a substituted mitigation measure is proposed, in Section D.2 check the applicable box that a substitute measure will be used and check the box that Appendix "A" will be filled out and provide the required analysis in Appendix A. If a mitigation measure will not be implemented with no substitute measure, mark the third box in the Conclusion to Section D and check "Yes" in the screening criteria for E.1.b and prepare the necessary analysis in Section E.2.
- If a MM meets the threshold for applicability for the project and it requires a study or assessment to be performed, mark "Yes" and perform the study or assessment to implement the MM as required in Section E.1.a. The study or assessment may find that the Project will not have an impact. In that case, no mitigation measures will be put in the Proposed Housing Project MMP in Appendix "B", but the box in Section D.1 should still be marked "Yes" because the threshold was met for the Project. See the Instructions document for more details.
- If a MM is marked as "Yes" and does not require a study or assessment, add the MM to the Proposed Housing Project MMP in Appendix "B" and no further explanation is needed.

# D.1. Mitigation Measure Tables

	Mitigation Measure	Proposed Housing Project Meets Threshold in MM in Program EIR MMP
Air Qualit	У	
4.2-2(a)	Construction Emissions Reduction	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.2-2(b)	Operations Emissions Reduction	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.2-3	Construction TAC Reduction Measures	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
Biologica	l Resources	
4.3-1(a)	Biological Resources Reconnaissance Survey and Reporting	□ Yes □ No
4.3-1(b)	Sensitive Species/Habitat Avoidance: Pre-Construction Bird Nest Surveys, Avoidance, and Notification	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.3-1(c)	Focused Surveys for Rare Plants	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.3-1(d)	Adaptive Management Plan	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.3-2(a)	Habitat Mitigation and Monitoring Plan	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.3-2(b)	Protected Tree and Tree Canopy Survey	□ Yes □ No

	Mitigation Measure	Proposed Housing Project Meets Threshold in MM in Program EIR MMP
Brief expl	anation:	
Cultural	Resources	
Cultural 4.4-1(a)	Resources Identification of Built-Environment Historical Resources	□ Yes □ No
		□ Yes □ No □ Yes □ No
4.4-1(a)	Identification of Built-Environment Historical Resources	
4.4-1(a) 4.4-1(b)	Identification of Built-Environment Historical Resources         Rehabilitation of Historical Resources	□ Yes □ No
4.4-1(a) 4.4-1(b) 4.4-1(c)	Identification of Built-Environment Historical Resources         Rehabilitation of Historical Resources         Design Requirements for New Construction	□ Yes □ No □ Yes □ No
4.4-1(a) 4.4-1(b) 4.4-1(c) 4.4-1(d)	Identification of Built-Environment Historical Resources         Rehabilitation of Historical Resources         Design Requirements for New Construction         Relocation and Rehabilitation of Historical Resources	□ Yes □ No □ Yes □ No □ Yes □ No
4.4-1(a) 4.4-1(b) 4.4-1(c) 4.4-1(d) 4.4-1(e)	Identification of Built-Environment Historical ResourcesRehabilitation of Historical ResourcesDesign Requirements for New ConstructionRelocation and Rehabilitation of Historical ResourcesHistoric American Building Survey Documentation	□       Yes       □       No
4.4-1(a) 4.4-1(b) 4.4-1(c) 4.4-1(d) 4.4-1(e) 4.4-1(f)	Identification of Built-Environment Historical ResourcesRehabilitation of Historical ResourcesDesign Requirements for New ConstructionRelocation and Rehabilitation of Historical ResourcesHistoric American Building Survey DocumentationInterpretive Program	□ Yes □ No □ Yes □ No □ Yes □ No □ Yes □ No □ Yes □ No
4.4-1(a) 4.4-1(b) 4.4-1(c) 4.4-1(d) 4.4-1(e) 4.4-1(f) 4.4-1(g)	Identification of Built-Environment Historical ResourcesRehabilitation of Historical ResourcesDesign Requirements for New ConstructionRelocation and Rehabilitation of Historical ResourcesHistoric American Building Survey DocumentationInterpretive ProgramConstruction Monitoring, Salvage, and Reuse	□       Yes       No
4.4-1(a) 4.4-1(b) 4.4-1(c) 4.4-1(d) 4.4-1(e) 4.4-1(f) 4.4-1(g) 4.4-1(h)	Identification of Built-Environment Historical ResourcesRehabilitation of Historical ResourcesDesign Requirements for New ConstructionRelocation and Rehabilitation of Historical ResourcesHistoric American Building Survey DocumentationInterpretive ProgramConstruction Monitoring, Salvage, and ReuseTemporary Protective Relocation	□       Yes       No         □       Yes       No

	Mitigation Measure	Proposed Housing Project Meets Threshold in MM in Program EIR MMP
Brief expla	anation:	
Geology	and Soils	
4.5-1(a)	Paleontological Procedures for Discretionary Projects	□ Yes □ No
4.5-1(b)	Worker Environmental Awareness Program, Fossil Salvage, and Construction Monitoring	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.5-1(c)	Construction Monitoring	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.5-1(d)	Fossil Discovery, Salvage, and Treatment	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
Brief expla	anation:	

	Mitigation Measure	Proposed Housing Project Meets Threshold in MM in Program EIR MMP	
Hazards a	nd Hazardous Materials		
4.7-2(a)	Environmental Site Assessment	🗆 Yes 🗆 No	
4.7-2(b)	Site Remediation and Health and Safety Plan	🗆 Yes 🗆 No	
Brief expla			
	and Water Quality		
4.8-1	Drainage Pattern Alterations and Flood Control	□ Yes □ No	
Brief expla	nation:		
Noise			
4.10-1(a)	Noise Shielding and Silencing	🗆 Yes 🗆 No	
4.10-1(b)	Use of Driven Pile Systems	🗆 Yes 🗆 No	

	Mitigation Measure	Proposed Housing Project Meets Threshold in MM in Program EIR MMP
4.10-1(c)	Enclosures and Screening	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.10-1(d)	Construction Staging Areas	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.10-1(e)	Temporary Sound Barriers	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.10-1(f)	Project-Specific Construction Noise Study	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.10-2	Project-Specific Operational Noise Study	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.10-3(a)	Vibration Control Plan	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.10-3(b)	Vibration Mitigation	□ Yes □ No
Brief expla	ination:	
Public Se		
		□ Yes □ No
Public Se	rvices	□ Yes □ No □ Yes □ No
Public Se 4.12-1(a)	rvices Design Plans Review	
Public Se 4.12-1(a) 4.12-1(b)	rvices Design Plans Review Emergency Access	□ Yes □ No
Public Se 4.12-1(a) 4.12-1(b) 4.12-1(c)	rvices Design Plans Review Emergency Access Hillside Fire/Vegetation Management Plan	□ Yes □ No □ Yes □ No

	Mitigation Measure	Proposed Housing Project Meets Threshold in MM in Program EIR MMP
Brief expla	nation:	
Transport	ation	
4.14-1	Construction Management Plan	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.14-2	Transportation Demand Management Program	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
Brief expla	Ination:	
Tribal Cul	tural Resources	
4.15-1(a)	Native American Consultation and Monitoring for Discretionary Projects	□ Yes □ No
4.15-1(b)	Discovery of Potential Tribal Cultural Resources	🗆 Yes 🗆 No

	Mitigation Measure	Proposed Housing Project Meets Threshold in MM in Program EIR MMP
Brief expla	nation:	
Wildfire		
4.17-1	Hillside Construction Staging and Parking Plan	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
4.17-3	Undergrounding of Power Lines in and Near an SRA and VHFHSZs	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
Brief expla	nation:	
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impact will result from the substitution:

"YES" ABOVE

Any attachments or technical studies that support findings will need to be printed out and attached to Appendix D and will be included in the project file.

THE APPLICANT FOR THE PROPOSED HOUSING PROJECT IS PROPOSING SUBSTITUTED MITIGATION MEASURES FOR ANY OF THE MITIGATION MEASURES THAT ARE CHECKED AS

If YES, include the substituted mitigation measures below, with the necessary findings showing the mitigation measure is equal or more effective to the mitigation measures in the Program Mitigation Monitoring Program at reducing the significant impact to less than significant and no new significant

#### WILL THE APPENDIX "A" WILL BE FILLED OUT?

Fill out the Appendix "A" page at the end of the checklist to list any substituted measures and any additional pages to support findings.

#### **SECTION D CONCLUSION**

Check one of the following (Note: this may require the analysis in Section E to be completed first):

- □ <u>None</u> of the mitigation measures from the Program MMP are applicable to the Proposed Housing Project.
- □ <u>All</u> applicable mitigation measures (including substitute measures and measures identified in studies or assessments required by a MM in the Program MMP) will be imposed on the Proposed Housing Project through the adoption of a Proposed Housing Project MMP and conditions of approval, or have already been incorporated into the Proposed Housing Project.
- Not all applicable mitigation measures will be imposed on the Proposed Housing Project through conditions of approval, or have already been incorporated into the Proposed Housing Project.

□ Yes □ No

 $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  No

D.2. Substitute Mitigation Measures

## E. FINDING THAT SITE SPECIFIC EFFECTS FROM THE PROPOSED HOUSING PROJECT WERE ANALYZED IN THE PROGRAM EIR

### E.1 Screening Criteria

The following screening questions shall be answered to evaluate whether the Proposed Housing Project has the potential for site-specific or project-specific circumstances or conditions to result in an environmental effect not examined in the Program EIR. If any of the following questions are answered 'Yes', further analysis will be required in Section E.2.

a. Did any mitigation measures marked "Yes" in Section D.1 require further analysis or study? □ Yes □ No

If **Yes**, prepare any studies and conduct any analysis required by the mitigation measure, per Section E.2.

b. Does the Proposed Housing Project lack compliance with a mitigation measure (including a substitute mitigation measure) identified as applicable to the Proposed Housing Project in Section D?

If **Yes**, determine if the environmental effect was examined in the Program EIR, per Section E.2.

**c.** Would the Proposed Housing Project require a variance or specific plan exception to provide relief from a standard required to protect scenic resources or scenic quality in an adopted Code, Specific Plan, or overlay ordinance (e.g., the Mulholland Scenic Parkway Specific Plan, the San Gabriel/Verdugo Mountains Scenic Preservation Specific Plan)?

□ Yes □ No

If **Yes**, conduct an analysis of Questions I.a and I.c in Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines to determine if the Proposed Housing Project will have an effect that was not examined in the Program EIR, per Section E.2.

**d.** Would the Proposed Housing Project involve the modification or destruction of a scenic resource or obstruction of public view of a scenic resource?

□ Yes □ No

If **Yes**, conduct an analysis of Questions I.a and I.c in Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines to determine if the Proposed Housing Project will have an effect that was not examined in the Program EIR, per Section E.2.

e. Would the Proposed Housing Project involve rezoning agriculturally zoned land?

□ Yes □ No

If **Yes**, conduct an analysis of Question II.b in Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines to determine if the Proposed Housing Project will have an effect that was not examined in the

Program EIR, per Section E.2.

**f.** Would the Proposed Housing Project be within 50 feet of a fault delineated on the Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map?

□ Yes □ No

If **Yes**, conduct an analysis of Question VII.a.i in Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines to determine if the Proposed Housing Project will have an effect that was not examined in the Program EIR, per Section E.2.

g. Would the Proposed Housing Project result in significant impacts to VMT using the thresholds and methodology provided in the LADOT Transportation Assessment Guidelines?
□ Yes □ No

If **Yes**, conduct an analysis of VMT to determine if the Proposed Housing Project will have an effect that was not examined in the Program EIR, per Section E.2.

h. Would the Proposed Housing Project have peculiar or unique project or site characteristics from those analyzed in the Program EIR that could result in an effect not examined in the Program EIR (e.g., projects that conflict with an adopted Airport Land Use Plan or Water Quality Management Plan, or sites in use for mineral resource recovery (does not include oil and gas), projects involving septic tanks)?

□ Yes □ No

If **Yes**, conduct an analysis to determine if the Proposed Housing Project will have an effect that was not examined in the Program EIR, per Section E.2.

**i.** Is the project located within one mile of a freeway offramp and does it require a transportation assessment by the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (DOT)?<sup>1</sup>

□ Yes □ No

If **Yes**, conduct an analysis of freeway queueing, as required by DOT, to determine if the Proposed Housing Project will have an effect that was not examined in the Program EIR, per Section E.2.

## **SECTION E.1 CONCLUSION**

After finishing review of the screening questions in Section E.1, check one of the following boxes.

## □ ALL SCREENING QUESTIONS ARE MARKED 'NO'

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Transportation assessments are typically required if the project would both generate a net increase of 250 or more daily vehicle trips and would result in a net increase in daily VMT. DOT would also require a transportation assessment if the project is replacing an existing number of residential units with a smaller number of residential units, and the proposed project is located within one-half mile of a heavy rail, light rail, or bus rapid transit station.

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15168(c)(4), the environmental effects of the Proposed Housing Project were within the scope of the Program EIR. Prepare a Mitigation and Monitoring Program for the Proposed Housing Project (Project MMP). No further analysis is required.

## ONE OR MORE SCREENING QUESTIONS ARE MARKED 'YES'

Go to Section E.2.

# E.2 Analysis to Determine if the Proposed Housing Project Would Have Effects Not Examined in the Program EIR

#### Instructions:

Conduct all analysis required in Section E.1 to determine if the Proposed Housing Project would have one or more environmental site- or project-specific effect(s) not examined in the Program EIR.

The following site- or project-specific effects are not effects that were examined in and within the scope of the Program EIR:

- a significant impact that would result because the Proposed Housing Project will not comply with a mitigation measure found applicable to the Proposed Housing Project from the Program EIR, or will not comply with a substituted mitigation measure of equal or equivalent effectiveness (see Conclusion in Section D).
- a significant impact in an impact category found in the Program EIR to be less than significant, less than significant with mitigation, or have no impact;
- a significant impact that cannot be mitigated to less than significant with mitigation measures in the Program EIR or by a substituted mitigation measure, in any of the following impact categories, which are impacts that by their nature would have impacts unique to the resource(s):
  - to a historical resource;
  - to a biological resource;
  - o to an archaeological resource;
  - to a paleontological resource;
  - o to tribal cultural resources;
  - o related to hazardous materials; or
  - related to wildfires.

<u>Without limitation</u>, the following effects from a Proposed Housing Project <u>are</u> effects examined in and within the scope of the Program EIR:

- a significant and unavoidable impact related to criteria pollutant air quality standards from construction NOx, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions;
- a significant and unavoidable impact related to criteria pollutant air quality standards from operational NOX, VOC, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions; or

 a significant and unavoidable impact (project or cumulative) related to construction and operational noise or vibration impacts.

## **SECTION E.2 ANALYSIS**

Complete analysis required in Sections E.1 and E.2 below. Analysis required in E.1 should include why the project will or will not have a significant impact, any required mitigation measure, whether any significant impact is within the Program EIR, and summarize the conclusion of any required study or assessment. If more space is required to provide analysis, it can be attached as Appendix "C." Attach any studies or assessments to Appendix "D."

The following analysis is provided as required based on the following questions from Section E.1 and E.2:

ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS IS PROVIDED IN APPENDIX "C"	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
STUDIES OR ASSESSMENTS ARE ATTACHED IN APPENDIX "D'	□ Yes □ No

## SECTION E.2 CONCLUSION

Based on the analysis above, and the whole of the administrative record, substantial evidence supports that (check one):

# THE PROPOSED HOUSING PROJECT <u>WILL NOT</u> HAVE EFFECTS NOT EXAMINED IN THE PROGRAM EIR.

The Proposed Housing Project is fully within the scope of the program and its impacts were examined in the Program EIR. Prepare a Mitigation and Monitoring Program for the Proposed Housing Project (Project MMP) for all mitigation measures identified in Subsection D and E, as applicable. No additional environmental analysis documents need to be prepared.

# THE PROPOSED HOUSING PROJECT <u>WILL</u> HAVE ONE OR MORE EFFECTS NOT EXAMINED IN THE PROGRAM EIR.

A tiered negative declaration or tiered environmental impact report will be prepared for the following environmental effect(s) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15152:

#### Impacts to be Analyzed in Tiered CEQA Clearance:

All other effects are within the scope of the Program EIR and require no further analysis pursuant to CEQA Guideline Section 15152. The analysis provided herein shall be relied upon, in part, to support adoption of the tiered document as only being required to analyze the above listed impact(s).

# **APPENDIX A**

## SUBSTITUTED MITIGATION MEASURES

List any Substituted Mitigation Measures, if any, along with any additional documents to support findings in the section below. State the MMs being substituted for, state the name of the substitute MM being used in the Project MMP. Substitute MMs should be identified with the prefix "SMM." Also include an explanation of how the Substitute MM is equal or more effective at preventing or reducing a significant impact and discuss whether the SMM will result in new significant impacts; do not merely state conclusions.

# **APPENDIX B**

## **PROJECT MMP**

Include the Mitigation Monitoring Program for the Proposed Housing Project as an attachment. Include any Mitigation Measures still to be implemented by the Project. This includes:

- Measures directly taken from the Program MMP, to be included in the Project MMP verbatim (these would be measures that did not require a study or assessment in Screening Criteria E.1.a),
- Measures identified in a study or assessment required by MMs from the Program MMP, incorporated in the Project MMP as implementation measures, and
- Measures included as substitutes for measures in the Program MMP, included as Substituted Mitigation Measures in the Project MMP and analyzed in Appendix "A".

# **APPENDIX C**

# **ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS**

Any additional analysis needed to demonstrate support for the conclusions found in the Housing Element Checklist form should be included here as Appendix C. Only include enough analysis necessary to support the conclusions in the Checklist form; do not conduct an Initial Study-style analysis of every impact category. Recall that a Program EIR has already been certified for the Housing Element, and the analysis here in the Checklist is to show that the project is included within the scope of the Program EIR, and that the applicable mitigation measures have been incorporated into the Project's Conditions of Approval. Include references to which part of the Checklist any analysis in this Appendix is intended to support.

# **APPENDIX D**

# **TECHNICAL STUDIES OR ASSESSMENTS**

Any attachments or technical studies that support findings will need to be printed out and attached as Appendix D, and will be included in the project file. This includes any studies required by mitigation measures from the Program EIR. Include the studies themselves here, and any analysis based on them elsewhere as appropriate.