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March 10, 2020

Bobby Ray, Mayor
City of Alturas
200 North Street
Alturas, CA 96101

Dear Bobby Ray:

RE: City of Alturas' 6th Cycle (2019-2024) Adopted Housing Element

Thank you for submitting Alturas's housing element adopted February 18, 2020 and received for review on March 3, 2020. Pursuant to Government Code section 65585, subdivision (h), the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is reporting the results of its review. The review was expedited to enable the jurisdiction to meet funding criteria for the SB 2 Planning Grants Program.

HCD is pleased to find the adopted housing element in full compliance with State Housing Element Law (Article 10.6 of the Gov. Code). The adopted element addresses the statutory requirements described in HCD's November 27, 2019 review. HCD's finding was based on, among other reasons, revisions to many of the housing element programs adding specificity to actions.

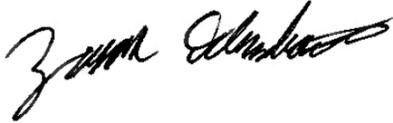
For your information, some general plan element updates are triggered by housing element adoption. HCD reminds the City of Alturas to consider timing provisions and welcomes the opportunity to provide assistance. For information, please see the Technical Advisories issued by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research at: http://opr.ca.gov/docs/OPR_Appendix_C_final.pdf and http://opr.ca.gov/docs/Final_6.26.15.pdf.

Several federal, state, and regional funding programs consider housing element compliance as an eligibility or ranking criteria. For example, CalTrans Senate Bill (SB) 1 Sustainable Communities grants; the Strategic Growth Council and HCD's Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities program; the SB 2 Planning Grants as well as ongoing SB 2 funding (Permanent Local Housing Allocation) consider housing element compliance and/or annual reporting requirements pursuant to Government Code section 65400. With housing element compliance, Alturas meets the housing element requirements for these funding sources.

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HCD appreciates the cooperation and hard work Jenn Andersen, Planning Director provided throughout the course of the housing element review. HCD wishes the City of Alturas success in implementing its housing element and looks forward to following its progress through the General Plan annual progress reports pursuant to Government Code section 65400. If HCD can provide assistance in implementing the housing element, please contact Jamillah Williams, of our staff, at (916) 263-4849.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Zachary Olmstead". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "Z" and a long, sweeping tail.

Zachary Olmstead
Deputy Director