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Matthew P. Pontes, County Executive Officer
County of Shasta
1450 Court St., Suite 308A
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Dear Matthew P. Pontes:

RE: Shasta County's 6th Cycle (2020-2028) Adopted Housing Element

Thank you for submitting the County of Shasta's (County) housing element adopted July 28, 2020 and received for review on August 10, 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.

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 was found to be substantially the same as the revised draft element that HCD's May 21, 2020 review determined met statutory requirements.

For your information, some general plan element updates are triggered by housing element adoption. HCD reminds the County 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, the County meets the housing element requirements for these and other funding sources.

HCD appreciates the efforts Beth Thompson from De Novo Planning Group provided during the course of our review. HCD wishes Shasta County 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 additional 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 "Shannan West". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being more prominent.

Shannan West
Land Use & Planning Unit Chief