

City of Watsonville "A Community of Opportunities"

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION **Climate Action and Adaptation Plan**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Watsonville (the City) has prepared an Initial Study to evaluate the environmental impacts of the proposed Climate Action and Adaptation Plan, described below, and intends to adopt a Negative Declaration (ND) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Initial Study concludes that the proposed project would not cause substantial adverse change to the environment without the incorporation of mitigation.

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PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The Initial Study and proposed ND are available for public review online: https://www.cityofwatsonville.org/833/Projects

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The Initial Study and proposed ND are available for a 45-day review period beginning Friday, September 3, 2021 and ending Monday, October 18, 2021. Comments on the ND must be submitted in writing within the 45-day review period and sent by mail or email to:

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LOCATION OF PROJECT: The CAAP is a programmatic policy document encompassing the City's municipal boundaries.

SUMMARY OF PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Watsonville is proposing to adopt the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP). The CAAP includes the City's 2017 baseline GHG emissions; identifies projected emissions in 2030, 2045 and 2050; establishes the emissions reduction relative to the statewide targets under Assembly Bill 32 and Senate Bill 32; and identifies 19 strategies and 33 measures the City will undertake to reduce GHG emissions. The project also includes amending the Watsonville General Plan Chapter 9, Environmental Resource Management, to include Policy 9.K, Climate Action and Adaptation Plan.

If you have questions regarding this notice, please contact Alex Yasbek (831-768-3100 or alex.yasbek@cityofwatsonville.org).



