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Project Title: City of Claremont Housing Element Update

Lead Agency: City of Claremont

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Project Location: Claremont (*City*) Los Angeles County (*County*)

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The project consists of a comprehensive update to the City of Claremont Housing Element for the 2021-2029 planning period and an update to the Safety Element in the City's General Plan. The Housing Element is a State-required element in the City of Claremont General Plan. It provides an indication of the need for housing in the community, particularly the availability, affordability, and adequacy of housing. Updating the Safety Element of the General Plan will reflect recent changes in State law.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The project would result in one significant and unavoidable impact to tribal and cultural resources. Mitigation Measure CR-2 would require a historical resources evaluation for future projects involving a property which includes buildings, structures, objects, sites, landscape/site plans, or other features that are 45 years of age or older, however impacts would remain significant and unavoidable because projects facilitated by the Housing Element Update may still result in the demolition or alteration of a historical resource. Potentially significant impacts related to aesthetics, biological resources, and tribal and cultural resources would be reduced to less than significant(LTS) with implementation of mitigation measures. A disruption of existing views of the San Gabriel Mountains would be reduced to LTS with MM AES-1 for an architectural review by the City of development on Site 32 to confirm visibility of the mountains and ridgelines. Special-status species and nesting birds may be affected by development under the Housing Element Update. Impacts would be reduced to LTS with MM BIO-1 through BIO-3. These measures involve retaining a qualified biologist to analyze the project to identify biological constraints and impacts to sensitive biological resources; applying construction Best Management Practices; and nesting bird protection. Impact BIO-2 notes the Housing Element Update may result in construction within riparian habitats or other communities of special concern which would be reduced to LTS with MM BIO-4 and MM BIO-5. MM BIO-4 involves modifying the project to avoid direct and indirect impacts on these habitats. With MM BIO-5 the project applicant would compensate in the case of riparian or other sensitive natural communities being disturbed. Impact BIO-3 is the potential to impact state or federally protected wetlands during construction, reduced to LTS with MM BIO-6 and MM BIO-7. MM BIO-6 would require jurisdictional delineation. MM BIO-7 asks project applicants to provide a jurisdictional report. Impact TCR-2 is the potential impact to Tribal cultural resources during ground disturbing activities. MM TCR-1(a) through TCR-1(e) would reduce the impact to LTS with measures such as avoidance and preservation of resources in place, treating the resource with culturally appropriate dignity, permanent conservation easements, Native American monitoring of identified sensitive areas, and halting work if a potential tribal

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

Areas of known controversy, including issues raised by some members of the community, are potential impacts to aesthetics, air quality and greenhouse gas emissions energy use, noise, strain on public services, and traffic congestion.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)