

## **TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY**

## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A RECIRCULATED DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

## PROJECT TITLE: VILLAGE SPECIFIC PLAN SCH#2021110271

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## PROJECT LOCATION:

The planning area includes 651± acres north and south of the State Highway 18 corridor generally between Navajo Road and Central Road. The planning area is in the east central portion of Apple Valley in southwestern San Bernardino County.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This EIR was circulated for public comment from April 4, 2022 through May 19, 2022. Based on comments received on the EIR, and in an abundance of caution to assure that the public and decision makers have every opportunity to consider and review the Draft EIR, the Town is recirculating the EIR with changes incorporated due to these comments.

The Village Specific Plan guides the long-term development and redevelopment of the Planning Area. It revises the current land use plan by establishing five (5) planning districts, each with its own land uses, development standards, and guidelines that are tailored to the district's existing uses, development potential, and community vision. The Specific Plan is intended to enhance the Village's identity



as a downtown shopping and dining destination, guide future development of vacant parcels and redevelopment of underutilized parcels, and protect residential neighborhoods with guidelines that scale down development at the periphery of the Village. It expands the mix of land uses to serve local and sub-regional markets while also preserving small-scale and locally owned businesses. It coordinates various aspects of infrastructure planning, infill development, and lot consolidation, where appropriate. Its transportation concept improves the functioning of Highway 18 in the Planning Area by minimizing traffic conflicts, integrating multimodal features, and improving access to provide an efficient and safe circulation system. Its vision and development standards and guidelines are consistent with General Plan goals and policies.

SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS DISCUSSED IN THE RECIRCULATED DRAFT EIR: No change in the level of impact associated with the Project has been identified in the Recirculated Draft EIR. The potential impacts of the Project were determined to be less than significant for the following topics: energy, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use and planning, public services, and utilities. The potential impacts of the Project were determined to be less than significant with mitigation measures identified in the Recirculated Draft EIR for the following topics: Aesthetics, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Energy, Geology and Soils, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, Land Use and Planning, Noise, Population and Housing, Public Services, Recreation, Transportation, Tribal Cultural Resources, and Utilities/Service Systems. The potential impacts of the Project were determined to be significant and unavoidable for Greenhouse Gas Emissions,

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD**: A 45-day public review period for the Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report will commence on July 18, 2022 and end on September 1, 2022 for interested individuals and public agencies to submit written comments on the document. Any written comments on the Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report must be received at the Town address (14955 Dale Evans Parkway) or via email to Daniel Alcayaga at <a href="mailto:dalcayaga@applevalley.org">dalcayaga@applevalley.org</a> within the public review period. Copies of the Notice of Availability and Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) are available for review on the Town's website at <a href="mailto:Apple Valley Village">Apple Valley Village</a> | Town of Apple Valley.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**: Public hearings for this project will be held before the Planning Commission and Town Council. The hearing dates have not been set at this time. Please contact Daniel Alcayaga for further information regarding hearings.