

Tonight's Agenda



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- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Process
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- Public Comment

Introductions



- Lead Agency: City of Moreno Valley
 - Steven B. Quintanilla, City Attorney
 - Robert Flores, Planning Division Manager/Official
- CEQA Consultant: Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.
 - Heidi Rous, CPP

Project Background



In April 2021, the City prepared and circulated the Draft EIR for MoVal 2040, which included:

- General Plan 2040;
- Climate Action Plan (CAP);
- Associated Zoning Amendments; and
- 2021-2029 Housing Element Update

The City certified the EIR and approved MoVal 2040 in June 2021.

Project Background



- In October 2021, a Petitioner asserted that the City violated CEQA by failing to use a valid baseline, which effectively prejudiced the City's consideration of the Project's air quality, transportation, energy, and other impacts; and, by failing to adequately disclose or mitigate the significant environmental impacts on air quality and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.
- The Court granted the Petition on the issue of inadequate baseline, air quality/climate change (GHG emissions), and energy use analyses.
- The Court denied the Petition on the issue of land use analysis.

Project Background



The Revised EIR for MoVal 2040 will analyze the effects of:

- The 2040 General Plan;
- Municipal Code updates;
- Associated rezoning; and
- Revised CAP

MoVal 2040 Path Forward



The Revised EIR will:

- 1) Establish a 2024 baseline
- Evaluate the consistency with the Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP)
- 3) Assess impacts to sensitive receptors, including potential health impacts
- 4) Identify Toxic Air Contaminants (TACs)
- 5) Analyze GHG emissions, provide suitable mitigation measures, and include a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program
- 6) Incorporate mitigation measures as part of the revised CAP to allow its use in tiering for future EIRs
- 7) Quantify potential impacts resulting from energy use

Purpose of Scoping Meeting



- Introduce the Project
- Disclose the City's intent to prepare a Revised EIR in compliance with the CEQA
- Present an overview of the environmental review process
- Obtain input on the environmental scope and content of the EIR

Project Setting



- Planning Area
 - Total of 42,917 acres (67 square miles)
- City of Moreno Valley
 - 33,080 acres (51.6 square miles)
- Sphere of Influence (SOI) is the City's probable future boundary and service area
 - Total of 9,838 acres outside the City limits (15.3 square miles)

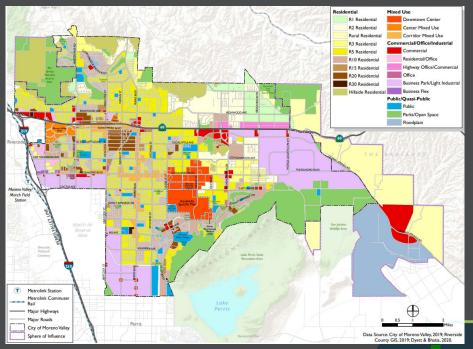


Project Overview



General Plan Land Use Designations

- Residential
- Mixed Use
- Commercial/Office/ Industrial
- Public/Quasi-Public



^{*} This figure is from the 2021 EIR and will be updated as part of the MoVal 2040 Revised EIR.

Project Overview



MoVal 2040 includes five new designations intended to focus growth within the following concept areas:

- 1. Downtown Center
- 2. Community Centers
- 3. Community Corridors
- 4. Highway Office/Commercial
- 5. Business Flex

Project Overview



Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15183.5 (Tiering and Streamlining the Analysis of GHG Emissions), the revised Qualified CAP will:

- (A) Quantify GHG emissions, both existing and projected, over a specified time period;
- (B) Establish a level below which the contribution of GHG emissions from activities covered by the plan would not be cumulatively considerable;
- (C) Identify and analyze GHG emissions resulting from specific actions within the geographic area;
- (D) Specify measures that demonstrates, if implemented on a project-byproject basis, would collectively achieve the specified emissions level;
- (E) Establish a mechanism to monitor the plan's progress towards achieving the level and to require amendment if the plan is not achieving specified levels;
- (F) Be adopted in a public process following environmental review.

CEQA Process



- An EIR is a public disclosure document that analyzes potential environmental effects of the proposed project
 - Short-term and long-term environmental impacts (construction and operation)
 - Direct and indirect impacts
 - Cumulative impacts
- Mitigation measures to reduce or avoid potential environmental impacts
- Project alternatives

CEQA Process



- The Revised EIR will contain only those portions of the EIR that were found to be inadequate in the Ruling along with any necessary revisions.
- The areas of analysis in the Revised EIR, identified in the Ruling, are the effects of the Project on air quality, energy and GHG emissions.
- Environmental Topics to be Analyzed in the Revised EIR
 - Air Quality
 - Energy
 - Greenhouse Gas Emissions
 - Noise
 - Transportation

CEQA Process



Scoping

Environmental Evaluation

Public Review

City Decision

- Scoping period
- Scoping meeting
- Collect public and agency input
- Prepare technical studies
- Prepare Revised Draft EIR
- Submit for public and agency review
- Respond to public and agency comments
- Prepare Revised Final EIR

- Consider EIR and all comments
- ▶ Consider Project

Project Schedule



Prepare/Distribute Notice of Preparation (30-day review ends August 28, 2024)

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Revised EIR Scoping Meeting
August 14, 2024

Prepare Revised Draft EIR
Fall 2024 through Winter 2025

Prepare Public Notice of Revised Draft EIR Availability

= Opportunities for Public Input

Public & Agency Review of Revised Draft EIR

45-day review period in Winter 2025

Prepare Revised Final EIR Including Response to Comments

Public Hearings Spring 2025

File Notice of Determination



= We are here in the process

Public Comment



We encourage you to submit your comments in writing.

Submit Written Comments By:

Wednesday, August 28, 2024

Send Comments To:

City of Moreno Valley Community Development Department Robert Flores, Planning Official 14177 Frederick Street PO Box 88005 Moreno Valley, CA 92553

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