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CITY OF ALBANY
DRAFT 2035 GENERAL PLAN
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY CITY OF ALBANY 2035 DRAFT GENERAL PLAN AND DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

Date: November 25, 2015

Project Title: City of Albany 2035 General Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR)

Project Location: City of Albany, CA

Albany is located on the east shore of San Francisco Bay approximately 12 miles northeast of San Francisco and six miles north of Downtown Oakland. It is the northernmost city in Alameda County. Albany abuts the Contra Costa County cities of Richmond on the northwest and El Cerrito on the north, the unincorporated community of Kensington on the northeast, and the Alameda County city of Berkeley on the east and south. The western side of Albany faces San Francisco Bay.

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Public Review Period: November 25, 2015-January 25, 2016

Planning & Zoning Commission Public Hearing Date during comment period:
Wednesday, January 13, 2016, 7pm
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Project Description: The City of Albany has prepared a comprehensive update to the existing General Plan which was adopted in 1992.

The Albany General Plan includes a comprehensive set of goals, policies, implementation measures, and an updated land use map. The State requires that

the General Plan include seven mandatory elements: Land Use, Circulation (Transportation), Housing, Open Space (Parks, Recreation, and Open Space), Noise and Safety (Environmental Hazards), and Conservation (Conservation & Sustainability). The Housing Element was adopted by the City Council on February 2, 2015. The Albany 2035 General Plan includes the State-mandated elements as well as optional elements addressing Community Services and Facilities and the Waterfront.

Every city and county in California is required to prepare a general plan. The plan provides the foundation for each city's zoning map and capital improvements program. It guides basic decisions about the location, type, and character of future development. A general plan also provides information about the community, including data and maps describing existing and projected conditions in the city.

Document Availability: The Draft EIR, Public Draft General Plan, and related documents are available for review at:

- Albany Community Development Department, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany, CA 94706
- Albany Public Library, 1247 Marin Ave., Albany, CA 94706
- City of Albany Website: <http://www.albanyca.org>
- General Plan Project Website: <http://www.albany2035.org>

Where to Send Comments: Members of the public and other interested agencies and individuals are invited to provide comments on the 2035 General Plan and Draft EIR. All written comments on the 2035 Draft General Plan and Draft EIR may be provided to the City at the listed address during the 60 day public review period.

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Significant Environmental Impacts: Implementation of the proposed General Plan would not result in any cumulatively significant impacts. Significant impacts were identified for the topics of Transportation and Circulation and Cultural Resources and mitigation measures identified in the Draft EIR would minimize impacts to less-than-significant levels.

Hazardous Materials: There are sites within the City of Albany that contain hazardous waste pursuant to California Government Code Section 65962.5.

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