

Appendix A

Comment Letters



FW: City of Irwindale General Plan Update

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Sent: Tuesday, April 8, 2025 4:42 PM

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Subject: City of Irwindale General Plan Update

Good afternoon,

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) Local Hazard Mitigation Planning Team has taken the time to review the proposed updates/changes to your General Plan. Government Code 65302(g)(8) states "before preparing or revising its Safety Element, each city and county shall consult.... the Office of Emergency Services to include information known by and available to the department."

The Cal OES Local Hazard Mitigation Planning Team reviews and compares your current Safety Element hazards against those listed in the most recent Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) approved City of Irwindale Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Our office has reviewed your proposed Safety Element and found no substantive changes to your hazard profiles when compared against the most recent FEMA-approved City of Irwindale Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Please note, that the jurisdiction must have an approved and adopted Hazard Mitigation Plan to become AB 2140 compliant. According to our files, the City of Irwindale's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) expired on April 30, 2019.

AB 2140 compliance is not a requirement; however, if the county is compliant, it is eligible to be considered for up to an additional 6.25% local share to be funded by the state, essentially covering the entire local share cost for eligible Public Assistance projects in the future.

For the City of Irwindale to be AB 2140 compliant we need the following items from the below checklist:

AB 2140 Compliance Checklist

- Has a current, FEMA-approved, or approvable pending adoption (APA) LHMP.
- Formally adopted the LHMP via resolution.

- Formally adopted the most current, approved LHMP into the Safety Element of your General Plan via resolution.
- Include language within the Safety Element of your General Plan that references your LHMP.
- Included a web link, appendix, or language within the Safety Element that directs the public to the most current, approved LHMP in its entirety.
- E-mailed the link to the updated General Plan Safety Element web page along with the signed, adoption resolution(s) to the Cal OES AB 2140 inbox ab2140@caloes.ca.gov for review and approval.

Please reach out to our office at mitigationplanning@caloes.ca.gov if you have any further questions or need additional assistance.

Thank you,

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Letter B

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Dear Ms. Simpson:

Second Response to City of Irwindale Housing Element and General Plan Update

The Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts (Districts) received a Draft Program Environmental Impact Report for the subject project on April 4, 2025. Previous comments submitted by the Districts in correspondence dated January 8, 2024 (copy enclosed), still apply to the subject project with the following updated information:

1. **Section 4.14 Utilities and Service Systems**, Wastewater Subsection, *page 4.14-3*: The last paragraph stated "Wastewater from the City is treated at the San Jose Creek Water Reclamation Plant...", as indicated in the January 8, 2024 response letter, the wastewater generated by the proposed project will be treated at one or more of the following: San Jose Creek Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) located adjacent to the City of Industry, which has a capacity of 100 million gallons per day (mgd) and currently processes an average recycled flow of 60.1 mgd; the Whittier Narrows WRP located near the City of South El Monte, which has a capacity of 15 mgd and currently processes an average recycled flow of 9 mgd; the Los Coyotes WRP located in the City of Cerritos, which has a capacity of 37.5 mgd and currently processes an average recycled flow of 19.1 mgd; and/or the A.K. Warren Water Resource Facility (formerly known as the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant) located in the City of Carson, which has a capacity of 400 mgd and currently processes an average flow of 248.3 mgd.
2. All other information concerning Districts' facilities and sewerage service contained in the document is current.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (562) 908-4288, extension 2742, or phorsley@lacsd.org.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure



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Dear Ms. Chou:

NOP Response to City of Irwindale Housing Element and General Plan Update

The Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts (Districts) received a Notice of Preparation (NOP) of a Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the subject project located in the City of Irwindale on December 18, 2023. City of Irwindale is located within the jurisdictional boundaries of District Nos. 15 and 22. We offer the following comments regarding sewerage service:

1. The Districts own, operate, and maintain the large trunk sewers that form the backbone of the regional wastewater conveyance system. Local collector and/or lateral sewer lines are the responsibility of the jurisdiction in which they are located. As such, the Districts cannot comment on any deficiencies in the sewerage system in the City of Irwindale (City) except to state that presently no deficiencies exist in Districts' facilities that serve the City.
2. The Districts should review all future individual developments within the City to determine whether or not sufficient trunk sewer capacity exists to serve each development and if Districts' facilities will be affected by the development. This is accomplished through the Districts' Will Serve Program. Information for which can be found on our website at [Will Serve Program](#).
3. The wastewater generated by the City will be treated at one or more of the following: San Jose Creek Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) located adjacent to the City of Industry, which has a capacity of 100 million gallons per day (mgd) and currently processes an average recycled flow of 62.7 mgd; the Whittier Narrows WRP located near the City of South El Monte, which has a capacity of 15 mgd and currently processes an average recycled flow of 8.3 mgd; the Los Coyotes WRP located in the City of Cerritos, which has a capacity of 37.5 mgd and currently processes an average recycled flow of 17.5 mgd; and/or the A.K. Warren Water Resource Facility (formerly known as the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant) located in the City of Carson, which has a capacity of 400 mgd and currently processes an average flow of 243.1 mgd.
4. The expected increase in average wastewater flow from the City, described in the NOP as 119 housing units, is 30,940 gallons per day. For a copy of the Districts' average wastewater generation factors, go to www.lacsd.org, under Services, then Wastewater Program and Permits and select Will Serve Program, and click on the [Table 1, Loadings for Each Class of Land Use](#) link.

5. The Districts are empowered by the California Health and Safety Code to charge a fee to connect facilities (directly or indirectly) to the Districts' Sewerage System or to increase the strength or quantity of wastewater discharged from connected facilities. This connection fee is used by the Districts for its capital facilities. Payment of a connection fee may be required before future individual development is permitted to discharge to the Districts' Sewerage System. For more information and a copy of the Connection Fee Information Sheet, go to www.lacsd.org, under Services, then Wastewater (Sewage) and select Rates & Fees. In determining the impact to the Sewerage System and applicable connection fees, the Districts will determine the user category (e.g. Condominium, Single Family Home, etc.) that best represents the actual or anticipated use of the parcel(s) or facilities on the parcel(s) in the development. For more specific information regarding the connection fee application procedure and fees, please contact the Districts' Wastewater Fee Public Counter at (562) 908-4288, extension 2727.
6. In order for the Districts to conform to the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act (CAA), the capacities of the Districts' wastewater treatment facilities are based on the regional growth forecast adopted by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG). Specific policies included in the development of the SCAG regional growth forecast are incorporated into clean air plans, which are prepared by the South Coast and Antelope Valley Air Quality Management Districts in order to improve air quality in the South Coast and Mojave Desert Air Basins as mandated by the CAA. All expansions of Districts' facilities must be sized and service phased in a manner that will be consistent with the SCAG regional growth forecast for the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, Ventura, and Imperial. The available capacity of the Districts' treatment facilities will, therefore, be limited to levels associated with the approved growth identified by SCAG. As such, this letter does not constitute a guarantee of wastewater service but is to advise the City that the Districts intend to provide this service up to the levels that are legally permitted and to inform the City of the currently existing capacity and any proposed expansion of the Districts' facilities.

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