

# Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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**SCH # 2024090440**

**Project Title:** Watsonville 2050 General Plan Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

Lead Agency: City of Watsonville, Community Development Department Contact Person: Justin Meek  
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 City: Watsonville Zip: 95076 County: Santa Cruz County

**Project Location:** County: Santa Cruz County City/Nearest Community: Watsonville  
 Cross Streets: N/A Zip Code: N/A

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): \_\_\_\_\_ ° \_\_\_\_\_ ' \_\_\_\_\_ " N / \_\_\_\_\_ ° \_\_\_\_\_ ' \_\_\_\_\_ " W Total Acres: 4,200

Assessor's Parcel No.: N/A Section: / Twp.: / Range: / Base: /

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: US-1, SR-152, SR-129 Waterways: Struve Slough, Watsonville Slough, Pajaro River, Salsipuedes Creek  
 Airports: Watsonville Municipal Airport Railways: N/A Schools: Rolling Hills Middle, HA Hyde Elementary, Cesar Chavez

**Document Type:**

CEQA:  NOP  Draft EIR NEPA:  NOI Other:  Joint Document  
 Early Cons  Supplement/Subsequent EIR  EA  Final Document  
 Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) \_\_\_\_\_  Draft EIS  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Local Action Type:**

General Plan Update  Specific Plan  Rezone  Annexation  
 General Plan Amendment  Master Plan  Prezone  Redevelopment  
 General Plan Element  Planned Unit Development  Use Permit  Coastal Permit  
 Community Plan  Site Plan  Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Development Type:**

Residential: Units \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_  Transportation: Type \_\_\_\_\_  
 Office: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_  Mining: Mineral \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commercial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_  Power: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MW \_\_\_\_\_  
 Industrial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_  Waste Treatment: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD \_\_\_\_\_  
 Educational: \_\_\_\_\_  Hazardous Waste: Type \_\_\_\_\_  
 Recreational: \_\_\_\_\_  Other: Comprehensive land use and zoning update  
 Water Facilities: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**

Aesthetic/Visual  Fiscal  Recreation/Parks  Vegetation  
 Agricultural Land  Flood Plain/Flooding  Schools/Universities  Water Quality  
 Air Quality  Forest Land/Fire Hazard  Septic Systems  Water Supply/Groundwater  
 Archeological/Historical  Geologic/Seismic  Sewer Capacity  Wetland/Riparian  
 Biological Resources  Minerals  Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading  Growth Inducement  
 Coastal Zone  Noise  Solid Waste  Land Use  
 Drainage/Absorption  Population/Housing Balance  Toxic/Hazardous  Cumulative Effects  
 Economic/Jobs  Public Services/Facilities  Traffic/Circulation  Other: GHG, Energy

**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

Comprehensive land use and zoning update.

**Project Description:** *(please use a separate page if necessary)*

The City of Watsonville is preparing a comprehensive update of the Watsonville 2005 General Plan in response to changes in conditions in the City and new state laws enacted since the preparation of the existing General Plan. The projected growth in the 2050 General Plan envisions the addition of up to 5,980 new residential units and 2,361,000 square feet of non-residential development. The 2050 General Plan will include goals, policies, and implementation actions – developed with extensive community input – to advance the City's vision and community priorities, including: revitalizing Downtown Watsonville; introducing a range of new housing choices, both single-family and multi-family; attracting new employment and revenue-generating uses; maintaining the existing character of the City's residential neighborhoods, preserving the City's natural open spaces, especially the sloughs; improving the City's existing parks and community facilities, and introducing new ones; accommodating planned passenger rail service, including a station in Downtown Watsonville; implementing complete streets improvements; and rerouting truck routes around town.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> California Emergency Management Agency         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation, Department of        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol           | <input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of                 |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Energy Commission                   | <input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Rights                                 |
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### Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date 1/24/2025 Ending Date 2/24/2025

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### Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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| City/State/Zip: <u>San Jose, California 95113</u> | City/State/Zip: <u>Watsonville, CA 95076</u>                            |
| Contact: <u>Marco Mendoza</u>                     | Phone: <u>831-768-3050</u>  |
| Phone: <u>657-208-6882</u>                        |   |

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative: Justin Meek Digitally signed by Justin Meek, DN: cn=Justin Meek, ou=City of Watsonville, ou=Community Development Department, email=justin.meek@watsonville.gov Reason: I agree to the specified terms of the document. Date: 2024.01.24 09:24:41 -0700 Date: 1/24/25

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