



**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND NOTICE OF INTENT
TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE
SAFETY ELEMENT UPDATE PROJECT**
PLN25-0022; GPT25-0001; EIS25-0001

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of Nevada, as a lead agency, is circulating for public review a Draft Initial Study/Negative Declaration (IS/ND) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the proposed amendments to the Nevada County General Plan, Chapter 10, Safety Element Update Project.

PROJECT LOCATION: Unincorporated area of Nevada County.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: PLN25-0022; GPT25-0001; EIS25-0001. The project is an update to the Nevada County Safety Element, Chapter 10 of the General Plan, which was previously adopted by Nevada County in 2020. The Safety Element update is required by Government Code Section 65302(g). The Safety Element addresses potential and existing hazards in the County, which are outlined in the following categories: Emergency Preparedness, Geological Hazards/Seismic Activity, Flood Hazards, Airport and Military Airspace Hazards, Hazardous Materials, Mining Hazards, Public Safety Services and Facilities, Fire Hazards and Protection, Severe Weather Hazards, Climate Change Resiliency and Mitigation, and Environmental Justice and Vulnerable Populations.

PUBLIC REVIEW: As a lead agency, in accordance with CEQA, Nevada County is distributing the Draft IS/ND to interested public and regulatory authorities for review and comment for a period of 30-days. Nevada County is inviting comments and concerns regarding the IS/ND during the public review period spanning **January 23, 2026, to February 23, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.** Final action on the proposed ND will be taken by the Board of Supervisors after the completion of the public review period at a duly noticed public hearing on a date to be determined.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The Draft Initial Study/Negative Declaration is available for review on Nevada County's website at [2025 Draft Safety Element](#).

Written comments should be sent to the following address: Zachary Ruybal, Associate Planner, Nevada County Planning Department, 950 Maidu Avenue Suite 170, Nevada City, CA 95959 - Email: zachary.ruybal@nevadacountyca.gov; on or before **February 23, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.**

By: Zachary Ruybal, Associate Planner

PUBLISH: January 23, 2026 - THE UNION; SIERRA SUN

MAILING: January 23, 2026 - ON OR BEFORE