

**City of Fremont Draft General Plan  
(PLN2005-0190)(SCH# 2010082060)**

**Public Review Period: July 6, 2011 through August 19, 2011**

Notice is hereby given that a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the City of Fremont Draft General Plan is available for public comment.

The Draft General Plan, if ultimately adopted as the General Plan, will guide future development in all areas within the City of Fremont.

The Draft EIR comment period extends from **Wednesday, July 6, 2011** through **Friday, August 19, 2011**. Comments on the Draft EIR must be submitted in writing to the Planning Division by **4:00 p.m., Friday, August 19, 2011** for consideration in the Final EIR.

The project is the adoption and implementation of a comprehensive update of the City of Fremont General Plan, which was last comprehensively updated in 1991. The new General Plan lays out a broad vision along with goals, policies and implementation measures to achieve that vision. The updated General Plan includes a land use designation map that will replace the map based on the 1991 plan. The City has established 2035 as the horizon year, or the year by which the City projects is the earliest time period that the growth anticipated in the Plan will be achieved.

The updated General Plan is consistent with state and regional planning efforts to focus growth near existing transit stations and corridors. It anticipates that the vast majority of population growth will occur in the City's Priority Development Areas (PDAs). Additionally, the type of residential growth will be different than the currently predominate use of single family homes. These new dwellings will be of smaller size and household size than the current City profile. Overall, it is anticipated that approximately 2/3 of new households will be multi-family and 1/3 of new households will be single-family.

Job growth assumes new development on available vacant land throughout the City. The majority of job growth will occur outside of PDAs. Job types will be a mix of office, R&D, clean technology, general industrial, warehouse and distribution, and trade uses in the existing business parks of the City. Within PDAs (and specifically within the TOD Overlay) there will be an increase in office and professional uses above and beyond the intensity of use that currently exists. Retail development will likely occur within existing commercial areas, with the noted exception of regional commercial uses near the Dixon Landing/I-880 interchange, and may expand in conjunction with development of new neighborhoods.

The DRAFT General Plan identifies a multi-modal future of the City that deemphasizes the use of the automobile. The DRAFT General Plan considers expansion of transit service, including the extension of BART to San Jose and plans for new Warm Springs and Irvington Stations. The DRAFT General Plan includes improved bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure. Major roadway improvements include continuation of previously planned regional roadway connections.

The Draft EIR identifies potentially significant environmental impacts in the topics of:

Transportation and Circulation  
Air Quality  
Noise  
Hydrology and Water Quality

Cultural and Archaeological Resources  
Agricultural Resources  
Utilities and Service Systems  
Global Climate Change



Mitigation has been identified to reduce all potentially significant effects to a less-than-significant level, except for impacts related to unacceptable levels of service at specified intersections and on specified roadway segments, air quality emissions and Clean Air Plan consistency, noise increases related to traffic, noise conflicts of incompatible uses, construction noise, potential demolition of cultural and historic resources, loss or conversion of prime or unique farmland to urban uses, and cumulative greenhouse gas emissions.

No feasible mitigation to fully reduce these impacts were identified.

The Draft EIR is available for public review at the City Development Services Center and the Fremont Main Library during normal business hours, as well as on the City's website at: <http://www.fremont.gov/ceqa>

The DRAFT General Plan Update documentation can be viewed at <http://www.fremont.gov/generalplan>

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