

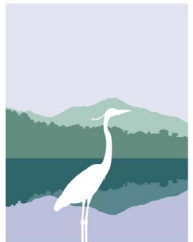


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Planning for Success.

Corte Madera Housing Element Supplemental EIR Scoping Meeting

March 31, 2022



THE TOWN OF
CORTE MADERA
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What is CEQA?

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

- Purpose: inform decision-makers and public
- Identify ways to avoid or reduce environmental effects
- Identify and analyze alternatives
- Public disclosure process



The “Project” under CEQA

- 6th Cycle Housing Element Update (2023-2031)
- Safety Element Update
 - Consistency with State laws (AB 747 & SB 99)
- Land Use Element Update
- Municipal Code Amendments (Title 18 & 22)
 - Includes Zoning Ordinance Update to increase allowed density at nine opportunity sites
- All of these actions can be categorized as “General Plan Amendments” and “Zoning Amendments”



Project Description Summary

Opportunity Sites	Existing		Housing Element Update	
	Acreage	Existing Commercial Buildings Square Footage	Maximum New Residential Units	Assumed Likely New Commercial Square Footage
9 Sites	21.95	271,024 SF	773	237,167 SF
Net Change			+773	<33,857>



Supplemental EIR (SEIR)

- Supplemental to the Town's 2009 General Plan EIR
- SEIR only needs to include information necessary to make the previous EIR (2009 General Plan EIR) adequate for the proposed project
- Noticing and public review requirements are no different



Supplemental EIR (cont.)

- What was adequately addressed already in the 2009 General Plan EIR?
 - Agricultural and Forestry Resources
 - Cultural Resources (with exception of Tribal Cultural Resources)
 - Geology and Soils
 - Human Health/Risk of Upset (with exception of Wildfire)
 - Hydrology and Water Quality
 - Mineral Resources



Environmental Topics to be Covered in SEIR

- Aesthetics (Visual Resources)
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Energy
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Noise
- Public Services and Utilities (Water & Schools)
- Sea Level Rise
- Transportation (Vehicle Miles Traveled and Level of Service)
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Wildfire
- Alternatives



Public Input

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- Verbal Comments accepted tonight
- Written comments encouraged and accepted until Friday, April 15, 2022 by 5:00 P.M.
Direct written comments to:
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CEQA Process and Opportunities for Public Input

End of NOP Comment Period (April 15, 2022)



Prepare Draft SEIR (Ongoing)



Draft SEIR released for 45-day public review (Expected Late Summer 2022)



Prepare Final EIR (Fall/Winter 2022)



Public Hearing(s) (December 2022/January 2023)



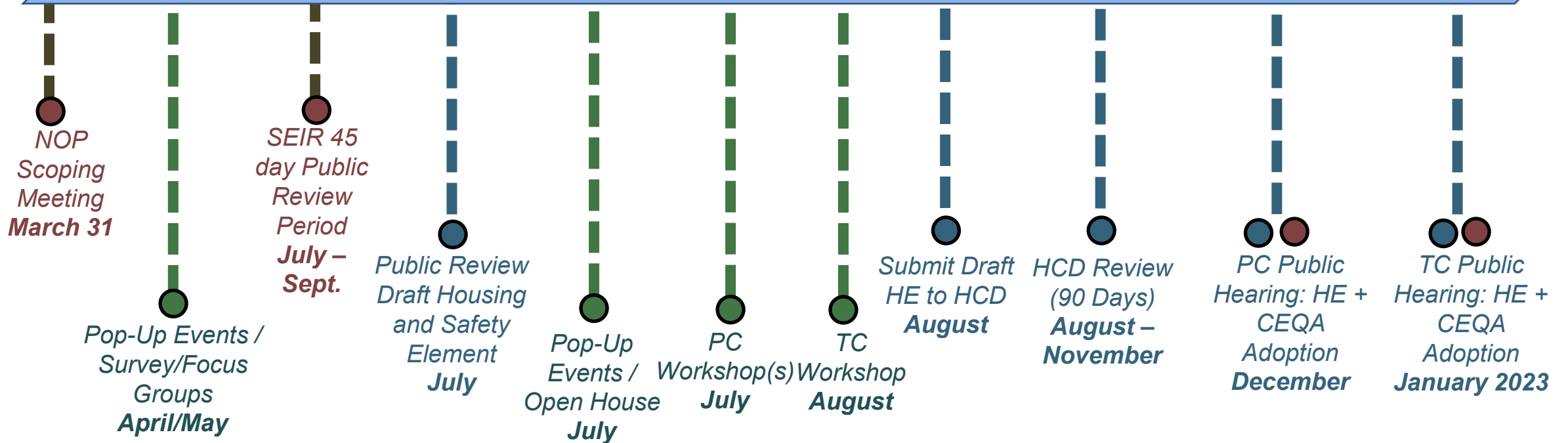
Comments



Where We're Headed

Preparation of Housing Element and SEIR

MARCH 2022 - JANUARY 2023



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