

Colusa Local Agency Formation Commission

Special Meeting Agenda

Thursday – March 21, 2024

**Board of Supervisors Chambers
546 Jay Street
Colusa, CA.**

3:00 PM

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call
Commissioners**

Katherine Dunlap, (Vice-Chair
Williams, City)
Janice Bell (County)
Greg Ponciano (Chair, Colusa, City)
Merced Corona (County)
Brandon Ash (Public)

Alternates

Ryan Codorniz (City Alternate)
John Loudon, (Public Member Alternate)
Kent Boes (County)

Staff

Paige Hensley, Clerk
John Benoit, Executive Officer
P. Scott Browne, Legal Counsel

2. The minutes from the February 1st, 2024 LAFCo meeting will be on the next LAFCo Agenda

Action:

- a. *Approve minutes from the January 4, 2024 LAFCo meeting*

3. Public Comment

This is the time for the public to address the Commission on any matter not on the agenda. Testimony related to an item on the agenda should be presented at the time that item is considered

4. Consent Agenda

Action:

- a. Payment of claims for the months of February and March 2024.

5. Correspondence:

Public Hearings

6. Williams Service Review and Sphere of Influence

- a. *Receive Executive Officer's Report*
- b. *Consider Resolution 2024-0001 approving a Service Review for services provided by the City of Williams*
- c. *Consider LAFCo Resolution 2024-0002 approving a Sphere of Influence update for the City of Williams*

7. LAFCo 2024-2025 Proposed Budget

- a. *Receive Executive Officer's Report*
- b. *Hold Budget Discussion and consider Resolution 2024-0003*

CLOSED SESSION:

8. Closed Session: Personnel Matters (Section 54957(b) (1) Review and Disussion of Candidtes for Executive Officer.
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. <i>The Commission will review materials received to date from interested candidates for the Executive Officer position and will interview some candidates. Direction will be given to Staff.</i> |
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9. Executive Officer's Report:

*700 Forms due April 1st
Calafco Annual Conference Teneya Lodge Fish Camp Oct 16-18, 2024
Colusa Basin Drainage District Status
Projects: Cortina CSD, City of Colusa WWTP #2*

10. Commissioner Reports - Discussion

This item is placed on the agenda for Commissioners to discuss items and issues of concern to their constituency, LAFCO, and legislative matters

11. Adjourn the next regular LAFCo meeting be on May 2nd 2024 and cancel the April 4th Regular LAFCo meeting.

Any member appointed on behalf of local government shall represent the interests of the public as a whole and not solely the interest of the appointing authority Government Code Section 56331.4

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, Commission members may make a brief announcement or report on activities. Commission members may also provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, request staff to report back to the Commission at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

Public Comment

Members of the public may address the Commission on items not appearing on the agenda, as well as any item that does appear on the agenda, subject to the following restrictions:

- Items not appearing on the agenda must be of interest to the public and within the Commission's subject matter jurisdiction.
- No action shall be taken on items not appearing on the agenda unless otherwise authorized by Government Code Section 54954.2 (known as the Brown Act, or California Open Meeting Law).
- The total amount of time allotted for receiving public comment may be limited to 15 minutes.

- Any individual's testimony may be limited to 5 minutes. Time to address the Commission will be allocated on the basis of the number of requests received.

Public Hearings

Members of the public may address the Commission on any item appearing on the agenda as a Public Hearing. The Commission may limit any person's input to 5 minutes. Written statements may be submitted in lieu of or to supplement oral statements made during a public hearing.

Agenda Materials

Materials related to an item on this agenda submitted to the Commission after distribution of the agenda are available for review for public inspection in the Colusa County Clerk's office located at the Colusa County Courthouse 546 Jay Street, Colusa CA. [such documents are also available on the Colusa LAFCO website as noted below to the extent practicable and subject to staff's ability to post the documents prior to the meeting].

Accessibility

An interpreter for the hearing-impaired may be made available upon request to the Executive Officer 72 hours before a meeting. The location of this meeting is wheelchair-accessible.

Disclosure & Disqualification Requirements

Pursuant to Government Code Sections 56100.1, 56300(b), 56700.1, and 81000 et seq., and Colusa LAFCO's Policies and Procedures for the Disclosure of Contributions and Expenditures in Support of and Opposition to Proposals, any person or combination of persons who directly or indirectly contribute \$1000 or more or expend \$1000 or more in support of or opposition to a change of organization or reorganization that has been submitted to Colusa LAFCO must comply with the disclosure requirements approved by Colusa LAFCO. These requirements contain provisions for making disclosures of contributions and expenditures at specified intervals. Additional information may be obtained at the Colusa County Elections Department 546 Jay Street, Colusa, CA 95932. (530) 458-0500

A LAFCO Commissioner must disqualify herself or himself from voting on an application involving an "entitlement for use" (such as an annexation or sphere amendment) if, within the last twelve months, the Commissioner has received \$250 or more in campaign contributions from the applicant, any financially interested person who actively supports or opposes the application, or an agency (such as an attorney, engineer, or planning consultant) representing the applicant or an interested party. The law (Government Code Section 84308) also requires any applicant or other participant in a LAFCO proceeding to disclose the contribution amount and name of the recipient Commissioner on the official record of the proceeding.

Contact LAFCO Staff LAFCO staff may be contacted at (530) 619-5128 or by mail at Colusa LAFCO P.O. Box 2694, Granite Bay Ca 95746 or by email at j.benoit4@icloud.com

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CLAIMS

February and March 2024

Authorize payment of the following claims:

FY 2023-2024 EXPENSES:

Claims for Feb and March 2024:

Feb 1, 2024	Staff Svcs and Expenses January 2024	\$ 7,637.77
March 1, 2024	Staff Svcs and Exp. –February 2024	\$ 5,021.97
12.16-23-1-15.24	Legal Svcs. P. Scott Browne	\$ 2,229.00
1.16.24-2.15.24	Legal Svcs P. Scott Browne	\$ 2,229.00
TOTAL:		\$ 17,117.74

DATED: March 21, 2024

APPROVED: March 21, 2024

**_____
Greg Ponciano , Chair or Katherine Dunlap, Vice-Chair
Colusa Local Agency Formation Commission**

Attest:

**_____
John Benoit
Executive Officer**

2023-2024

Acct 520-500

City Expenditure Titles Expenditure Category City Coding	Ex Officer Cont Executive Off. Co	Clerical Support Clerical Suppt	Workers Com Workers Com	Contactural Lgl Services	Liability Insurance	Office Exp Office Suppl	Postage and Postage	Copies Copies	Dues-Subs Memberships
	7338	7320	7016	7321	7315	7339	7322	7322	7319
	\$53,523.46	\$3,657.00	\$50.00	\$26,761.73	\$2,919.00	\$375.00	\$500.00	\$750.00	\$2,027.00
Calafco Dues 2022-2023 (2022-06)									-\$1,486.00
SDRMA Insurance 22-23 #72123					-\$2,807.81				
Calafco Reg JB,Jb,KD, GP &RC									
Browne Ending 7.15.23				-\$2,229.00					
Staff Svcs July 2023	-\$4,458.00	-\$175.00				-\$32.20	-\$1.39	-\$30.70	
Browne Endingn 8.15.2023				-\$2,229.00					
Staff Svcs August 2023	-\$4,458.00					-\$15.00			
Staff Svcs Sept 2023 2024-07	-\$4,458.00					-\$20.00			
Browne Ending 9.15.23				-\$2,229.00					
Browne Ending 10.15.23				-\$2,229.00					
Browne Ending 11.15.23				-\$2,229.00					
r4rr	-\$4,458.00							-\$60.00	
Staff SVCS NOVEMBER 2023	-\$4,458.00						-\$2.00	-\$3.50	
CSDA 2024 Member Invoice									-\$500.00
Conf Reimb Ponciano for Colusa									
Conf Reimb Janice Bell Colusa									
Staff Svcs December 2023	-\$4,458.00	-\$637.50						-\$1.00	
Browne ending 12.15.23				-\$2,229.00					
Staff Svcs January 2024	-\$4,458.00					-\$19.95		-\$35.00	
Browne Ending 1.15.24				-\$2,229.00					
Staff Svcs Feb 2024	-\$4,458.00							-\$10.00	
Browne ending 2.15, 2004				-\$2,229.00					

Total Expended In FY 22-23	-\$35,664.00	-\$812.50	\$0.00	-\$17,832.00	-\$2,807.81	-\$87.15	-\$3.39	-\$140.20	-\$1,986.00
Total Remaining in FY 22-23	\$17,859.46	\$2,844.50	\$50.00	\$8,929.73	\$111.19	\$287.85	\$496.61	\$609.80	\$41.00

**Resolution 2024-0001 of the
Colusa Local Agency Formation Commission**

*Approving a Municipal Service Review for Services Provided by
the City of Williams
and Adopting Written Determinations Thereon*

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 56425 requires that a Local Agency Formation Commission ("LAFCO") adopt and periodically review Sphere of Influence Plans for all agencies in its jurisdiction; and,

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 56430 requires that a LAFCO conduct a review of the municipal services provided by and within an agency prior to updating or adopting its Sphere of Influence Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Sphere of Influence Plan is the primary planning tool for LAFCO and defines the probable physical boundaries and service area of a local agency as determined by LAFCO; and,

WHEREAS, on June 3rd, 2004, the Commission adopted its Work Plan and included a schedule for initiation of Municipal Service Reviews (MSRs) and Spheres of Influence; and

WHEREAS, the Commission adopted Resolution 2009-0009 on May 7th, 2009 containing policies and standards related to the preparation of MSRs and has amended and updates its policies and standards several times, all of which applies to this MSR for services provided by the City of Williams; and,

WHEREAS, at the time and in the manner provided by law, the Executive Officer gave notice of the date, time, and place of a public hearing by the Commission for services provided the City of Williams, including approval of the report and adoption of the written determinations contained therein; and,

WHEREAS, the Commission hereby determines that the hearing draft of the Municipal Service Review for services provided by the City of Williams and written determinations contained therein will provide information for updating the Sphere of Influence for the City of Williams in Colusa County, and is otherwise consistent with the purposes and responsibility of the Commission for planning the logical and orderly development and coordination of local governmental agencies so as to advantageously provide for the present and future needs of the county and its communities; and,

WHEREAS, in making this determination, the Commission has considered the documentation on file in this matter; and,

WHEREAS, the Commission has heard all interested parties desiring to be heard and has considered the proposal and report by the Executive Officer and all other relevant evidence and information presented at said hearing;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Colusa Local Agency Formation Commission hereby resolves, orders and determines the following:

- 1) The Municipal Service Review for Services provided by the City of Williams, attached hereto as Exhibit A, is approved and the written determinations presented in the Municipal Service Review report are hereby adopted.
- 2) LAFCO staff is further ordered to proceed as appropriate with update to the Sphere of Influence services provided by the City of Williams.
- 3) LAFCO staff is further ordered to forward copies of this resolution containing the adopted Municipal Service Review to the City of Williams.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed by the Colusa Local Agency Formation Commission at a regular meeting held on March 21, 2024 by the following roll call vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absentions:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage this twenty-first day of March 2024.

Greg Ponciano, Chair or Katherine Dunlap Vice-Chair
Colusa LAFCO

Attest:

John Benoit, Executive Officer
Colusa LAFCO

COLUSA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

Resolution No. 2024-0002

A Resolution Making Determinations and Approving A Sphere of Influence Plan Update for the City of Williams

RESOLVED, by the Colusa Local Agency Formation Commission, that

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 56425 requires each Local Agency Formation Commission to adopt and periodically review and update a Sphere of Influence Plan for each local governmental agency within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Local Agency Formation Commission, in compliance with the aforementioned requirement, is providing a "plan for the probable physical boundaries and service area" for the City of Williams; and

WHEREAS, at the times and in the form and manner provided by law, the Executive Officer has given notice of the public hearing by the Commission on this matter; and

WHEREAS, a municipal service review mandated by Government Code Section 56430 was conducted by the Colusa Local Agency Formation Commission and adopted on March 21, 2024 (LAFCo Resolution 2024-0001) in accordance with the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (Government Code Sections 56000 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, the City of Williams proceeded with a General Plan Update that expressly included within its scope a proposed updated sphere for the City of Williams and acted as lead agency under CEQA for the proposed sphere; and

WHEREAS, the City of Williams prepared and certified an Environmental Impact Report (SCH#2100072071) for the City of Williams General Plan and adopted Resolution 2012-13 adopted on June 20, 2012 for the Environmental Impact Report; adopted Resolution 2012-014 for the mitigation monitoring program and statement of overriding considerations; and Resolution 2012-015 adopting the City's General Plan, all of which analyzed the City's Sphere of Influence territory; and

WHEREAS, the City's adopted General Plan includes a city recommended (proposed) Sphere of Influence.

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer, pursuant to Government Code Section 56428, has prepared a report including his recommendation thereon, and has furnished a copy of this report to the Commission and to each person requesting a copy; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has reviewed and considered the proposed Sphere of Influence update report prepared for its March 21st, 2024 public hearing, public testimony, testimony by affected agencies and the City of Williams, which is incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has reviewed Sphere Options, Maps and Diagrams showing Sphere Alternatives and has carefully evaluated and deliberated Sphere Alternatives and options presented at the Public Hearings including LAFCo staff and City of Williams recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has considered those factors determined by it to be relevant to the proposed Sphere of Influence update, including, but not limited to, those factors specified in Government Code Section 56425(e), and has heard from interested parties and considered requests for amendment and/or revision of the proposed updated sphere boundary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Colusa Local Agency Formation Commission does hereby find and determine as follows:

SECTION 1. Environmental Findings

1. On June 20, 2012, the City of Williams, as Lead Agency, prepared and certified the Final Environmental Impact Report for the City of Williams General Plan and adopted Findings of Fact and a Statement of Overriding Considerations and adopted a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.
2. The Commission has reviewed and considered the Final Environmental Impact Report for the City of Williams General Plan, which includes an analysis of the City's Sphere of Influence. The Final Environmental Impact Report consists of the following:
 - a. The Draft Environmental Impact Report prepared by the City of Williams as Lead Agency
 - b. Comments and recommendations received by the City of Williams Draft Environmental Impact Report.
 - c. A list of persons, organizations and public agencies commenting on the Draft Environmental Impact Report.
 - d. The responses of the Lead Agency to significant environmental points raised both during and after the review and consultation process.
 - e. A Mitigation Monitoring Reporting Plan.
3. The Commission certifies that it has held a duly noticed public hearing and heard testimony and received written comments from affected agencies at a noticed public hearing and has responded to those comments.
4. The Commission makes a specific finding that are no grounds that require LAFCo to supplement the City's EIR under PRC 21166 and State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162 and 15163. There have been no changes in physical circumstances since the City certified the Environmental Impact Report for its General Plan and adopted Resolution 2012-13 on June 20, 2012. LAFCo has slightly modified the Proposed Sphere from that considered in the City's EIR to reconcile the city's planning with that of the County, but those changes do not constitute substantial changes in the project which will require major revisions of the previous EIR or negative declaration due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects (15162(a)(1)) Those changes and specific findings with regard to those changes are as follows:
 - a. LAFCo has approved a Sphere of Influence of approximately the same size as previously adopted by LAFCo by Resolution R88-01 in 1988.
5. LAFCo makes findings that it has adopted the following mitigation measures included in the EIR and (or) as amended in the Final EIR (Mitigation Measures 3.32,3.33,3.34,3.38, 3.41,3.46,7.1, 7.3,7.4,3.44,3.45,3.55, and 3.56 to mitigate the environmental impacts of development within the SOI on prime agricultural land. In addition

- a. LAFCO includes in its Sphere Plan for the City the following requirements for future annexations:
 1. Prior to the annexation of additional lands into the city, for territory meeting LAFCo's definition of prime agricultural lands, the City shall require agricultural land mitigation agreements through the purchase of agricultural easements in Colusa County having a 1 to 2-acre conversion ratio on lands having equal agricultural value and risk of conversion as the lands proposed to be converted from agricultural to urban uses.
 2. LAFCo will work with the City to develop a farmland conversion mitigation program including farmland conservation easements to mitigate the conversion of prime farmland.
 3. The LAFCO's review process will include a project-specific assessment of loss of prime farmland and determine appropriate mitigation (type and amount). LAFCo will consider the City's adopted polices or programs that provide for mitigating loss of prime farmland within its General Plan planning area.
6. The Commission hereby affirms in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15090 the City's adopted certified Environmental Impact Report as well as its adopted findings for this Sphere of Influence Update.
7. In accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15090, the Final Environmental Impact Report reflects the Lead Agency's independent judgment and analysis.
8. The Commission has independently considered and hereby adopts the City of Williams's environmental findings required by State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091 and Statement of Overriding Considerations required by Section 15093, which are attached as Exhibit "A" hereto as its own in approving the Sphere Update.

SECTION 2. Findings for Adoption of the Sphere of Influence Update

1. That the proposed Sphere of Influence update with respect to City of Williams complies with the provisions of Government Code Section 56000, et seq.
2. The Commission has considered the factors determined by the Commission to be relevant to this update, including but not limited to, Sphere of Influence and General Plan Consistency, and other factors described in Government Code Sections 56425, and 56428 and as described in the staff report dated March 21, 2024, in that:
 - a. The Commission has considered the present and planned land uses in the area including agricultural and open space lands as described in the Colusa County General Plan, and the City of Williams General Plan and the Executive Officer's report dated March 21, 2024.
 - b. The Commission has considered the present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area as described in the adopted Municipal Service Review, the City of Williams General Plan and the Executive Officer's report dated March 21, 2024.
 - c. The Commission has considered the present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services, which the agency provides or is authorized to provide as described in the

- adopted City of Williams Municipal Service Review and the Executive Officer's report dated March 21, 2024.
- d. The Commission has considered the existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area and received as testimony in public hearings and the Executive Officer's report dated March 21, 2024.
 - e. The Commission has considered the conversion of prime agricultural lands meeting LAFCO's criteria in Government Code Section 56064. The Commission has considered not including contracted (Williamson Act) lands excepting those lands under non renewal status in this Sphere of Influence update.
 - f. The Commission has considered the existence of Disadvantaged Unincorporated Community and finds the entire City of Williams area is considered a Disadvantaged Community having a median income of less than 80 per cent of the statewide median household income.
3. That the Commission has considered the City of Williams General Plan and recommended Sphere of Influence as well as the County of Colusa's General Plan.
8. That, pursuant to Government Code Section 56425, the Commission makes and adopts those determinations set forth in the Sphere of Influence Study included in the Executive Officer's report dated March 20, 2024, as amended herein included by reference.
9. That the Determinations for the City of Williams's updated Sphere of Influence are hereby adopted and approved in the Sphere of Influence report attached hereto and incorporated by reference.
10. That the Sphere of Influence Update Map for the City of Williams's updated Sphere of Influence is set forth in Exhibit "B".
11. That all previous LAFCo adopted Sphere of Influence documents, sphere maps, limited or otherwise, and determinations are hereby repealed in favor of this Sphere of Influence Update.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Colusa Local Agency Formation Commission, State of California, on the twenty-first day of March 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Greg Ponciano, Chair or Katherine Dunlap
Colusa Local Agency Formation
Commission

Attest:

John Benoit, Executive Officer
Colusa LAFCO

Exhibit A

**Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations
for the
City of Williams Updated General Plan
Environmental Impact Report**

May 2012

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INTRODUCTION

These findings have been prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), the CEQA Guidelines (14 CCR § 15000 et seq.), and the local procedures adopted by the City of Williams ("City"). The City is the lead agency for the environmental review of the project and has the principal responsibility for its approval. The project covered by these findings and the relevant CEQA documents is known as the City of Williams Updated General Plan.

STATEMENT OF FINDINGS

The findings and determinations contained herein are based on the competent and substantial evidence, both verbal and written, contained in the entire record relating to the Project and the Environmental Impact Report ("EIR"). The findings and determinations constitute the independent findings and determinations by the City Council in all respects and are fully and completely supported by substantial evidence in the record as a whole. Although the findings herein identify specific pages within the Draft and Final EIRs in support of various conclusions reached below, the City Council incorporates by reference and adopts as its own, the reasoning set forth in both the Draft EIR and the Final EIR, and thus relies on that reasoning, even where not specifically mentioned or cited, in reaching the conclusions set forth herein, except where additional evidence is specifically mentioned. This is especially true with respect to the reasoning set forth in responses to comments in the Final EIR. The City Council further intends that if these findings fail to cross-reference or incorporate by reference any other part of these findings, any finding required or permitted to be made by this City Council with respect to any particular subject matter of the project must be deemed made if it appears in any portion of these findings or findings elsewhere in the record.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Background

The City's current General Plan was adopted in 1988. At that time, the City identified city limits and the City's Sphere of Influence. Since 1988, the City has adopted an update to the Housing Element. The Housing Element is the only General Plan element that must be updated according to a schedule set by the state. The City of Williams began the current Updated General Plan process in February 2010. The City conducted a public outreach process for the Updated General Plan to understand the needs and desires of the community and to identify and discuss concerns and controversial issues through the update process. Residents, business owners, community leaders, and other stakeholders participated in development of the City of Williams Updated General Plan.

Requirement to Adopt a General Plan

California Government Code Section 65300 et seq. establishes the obligation of cities and counties to adopt and implement general plans. The general plan is a comprehensive and general document that describes plans for the physical development of a city or county and of any land outside its boundaries that, in the city's or county's judgment, bears relation to its planning. The general plan is required to address the following mandatory elements: land use, circulation, housing, conservation, open space, noise, and safety. A city or county may also adopt additional elements. A general plan identifies the goals, objectives, policies, principles, standards, and plan proposals that support the city's or county's vision for each area addressed in the plan. The general plan is a long-range document that typically addresses the physical development of an area over a 20-year period. Although the general plan serves as a blueprint for future development and identifies the overall vision for the planning area, it remains general enough to allow for flexibility in the approach taken to achieve the plan's goals.

Project Description

The project is the adoption and implementation of an updated General Plan for the City of Williams. The City of Williams Updated General Plan is a comprehensive update of the existing 1988 General Plan. The City of Williams Updated General Plan includes the seven required elements of a General Plan (Land Use, Circulation, Housing, Open Space, Noise, Safety, and Conservation) as well as Public Facilities and Growth Capacity.

The Updated General Plan includes a Land Use Diagram which depicts the location and distribution of land use designations. The city has established 2030 as the horizon year for the Updated General Plan which is the year that the City would expect that policies and programs would ultimately be realized.

The DEIR and FEIR evaluated the environmental effects of the adoption of the Updated General Plan and projected build-out of the Updated General Plan. The impact analysis was based on the development anticipated in the proposed Land Use Diagram and the transportation improvements identified in the proposed Circulation Plan. Full build-out of the General Plan Land Use Diagram would result in an increase of approximately 6,150 persons. Build-out under the Updated General Plan is not expected to occur by 2030. However, for purposes of the analysis in the EIR, it was assumed that build-out would occur by 2030.

Project Objectives

This General Plan Update offers a strategic policy framework for both the corporate limits, and the surrounding area including the SOI. The objective of the plan is, therefore, to provide guidance for decisions relating to the future use of land, community character and design, housing and neighborhoods, economic development, circulation and mobility, open space and recreation, resource conservation and management, and public facilities and services. The horizon time of this plan is the Year 2030.

It is the intent of this General Plan that the policies and associated goals and recommended implementation strategies serve as a framework for community decision-making. To ensure growth that is both wise and sustainable, decisions would be based on a formulation of sound policy and founded by a comprehensive and integrated approach to analyzing community issues and identifying realistic solutions, as set forth in this plan.

In 2009, during the period leading up to the plan update process, the City Council and Planning Commission adopted a set of “guiding principles” representing desired outcomes and objectives for the New General Plan. These guiding principles form the basis for several of the lead agency’s project objectives.

- Replace the current general plan prepared in 1988 with a new plan that reflects the goals and aspirations of the community through the year 2030.
- Ensure Updated General Plan achieves compliance with all applicable state laws and Regulations.
- Plan for sustainability within our finite resources including but not limited to open space, water, energy, and air quality.
- Ensure that change harmonizes with existing development to preserve the City’s historic and neighborhood character, recognizing the presence and importance of agriculture to the local economy and the community’s heritage.
- Strengthen economic vitality to provide jobs, services, housing, revenues and opportunities to existing and future residents
- Preserve and generate awareness of the City’s cultural, educational, economic, and recreational diversity and historic heritage
- Collaborate with and embrace the City’s neighborhoods to improve the health, safety, and well being for all in our community
- Continue to make community participation an important part of achieving a greater city
- Work to develop attractive, convenient transportation alternatives to the automobile. Design for active and safe pedestrian and bicycle-friendly streets and public spaces.
- Ensure that the City is fully prepared to meet all responsibilities as well as to maximize opportunities associated with the “Sustainable Communities Strategy” to be developed by regional agencies under SB 375.

DISCRETIONARY APPROVALS

In order to adopt the Updated General Plan, the City Council will take the following actions:

- Certification of the City of Williams Updated General Plan Final EIR;
- Adoption of required findings for the adoption of the Updated General Plan, including required findings under the CEQA Guidelines, Sections 15090, 15091, and 15093, and
- Adoption of the City of Williams Updated General Plan.

The General Plan EIR will be used extensively by the City to address CEQA issues related to the implementing actions identified in the Updated General Plan, including the Municipal Code Update, Nexus/Development Impact Fee Update, Design Guidelines update, other development standards and guidelines updates, and future annexations and sphere of influence amendments.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS

In accordance with Section 15082 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, the City prepared a Notice of Preparation (NOP) of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) on August 1, 2010 (SCH#2010072071). This notice was circulated to the public, local, State, and Federal agencies, and other interested parties to solicit comments on the proposed project. The City also conducted a public scoping meeting on August 23, 2010 to receive public comments from the community and public agencies.

The EIR includes an analysis of the following issue areas:

- Land Use
- Population and Housing
- Aesthetics
- Circulation
- Air Quality and Climate Change
- Noise
- Geology and Soils
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Public Services
- Cultural Resources
- Biological Resources
- Agriculture
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Parks and Recreation
- Municipal Utilities and Service Systems
- Energy

The City published the Draft EIR for public and agency review on November 29, 2011. The public review period lasted 45 days and ended on January 13, 2012. The City received 5 individual written comments from agencies and the public regarding the Draft EIR. On May 25, 2012, the City published the Final EIR for the Updated General Plan. The Final EIR includes comments on the Draft EIR, responses to significant environmental issues raised in the comments, and revisions to the text of the Draft EIR. The Final EIR and the Draft EIR constitute the EIR.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The record of proceedings for the City's decision on certification of the EIR consists of the following documents:

- Comments received from the scoping meetings conducted by the City;
- The Notice of Preparation dated August 1, 2010, and all other public notices issued by the City in conjunction with the Project;
- The Draft EIR and appendices for the Updated General Plan dated November 2011;
- Notices of Completion and of Availability issued on or about November 29, 2011, providing notice that the Draft EIR had been completed and was available for public review and comment;
- All comments submitted by agencies or members of the public during the 45-day comment period on the Draft EIR;

- All comments and correspondence submitted to the City with respect to the Updated General Plan, in addition to timely comments on the Draft EIR;
- The Final EIR for the Updated General Plan dated May 2012, including all documents referred to or relied upon therein, and documents relied upon or referenced in these findings, which include, but are not limited to the following:
 - All timely comments received on the Draft EIR and responses to those comments;
 - Technical appendices;
 - Notices of Public Hearing issued in connection with the Planning Commission and City Council adoption hearings on the Project.
 - All findings and resolutions adopted by the City in connection with the Updated General Plan and all documents cited or referred to therein;
 - Letters and correspondence submitted to the City following the release of the Final EIR;
- All documents submitted to the City (including the City Council) by other public agencies or members of the public in connection with the Updated General Plan;
- Any minutes and/or verbatim transcripts of all information sessions, public meetings, and public hearings held by the City in connection with the Updated General Plan, the Planning Commission hearing on June 4, 2012, and the City Council hearing on June 20, 2012;
- Any documentary or other evidence submitted to the City at or in relation to such information sessions, public meetings and public hearings;
- Matters of common knowledge to the City, including, but not limited to Federal, State, and local laws and regulations; and
- Any documents expressly cited in these findings, in addition to those cited above; and
- Any other materials required for the record of proceedings by Public Resources Code section 21167.6(e).

The official custodian of the record is the City Clerk of the City of Williams, located at 810 E Street, Williams, CA 95987.

FINDINGS REQUIRED UNDER CEQA

Public Resources Code Section 21002 provides that public agencies should not approve projects as proposed if there are feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures available which would substantially lessen the significant environmental effects of such projects, and further states that the procedures required by CEQA "are intended to assist public agencies in systematically identifying both the significant effects of proposed projects and the feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures which will avoid or substantially lessen such significant effects." Section 21002 goes on to state that "in the event [that] specific economic, social, or other conditions make infeasible such project alternatives or such mitigation measures, individual projects may be approved in spite of one or more significant effects thereof." The mandate and principles announced in Public Resources Code Section 21002 are implemented, in part, through the requirement that agencies must adopt findings before approving projects for which EIRs are required. (Pub. Resources Code § Section 21081; CEQA Guidelines, § 15091).

For each significant environmental effect identified in an EIR for a proposed project, the approving agency must issue a written finding reaching one or more of three permissible conclusions. (CEQA Guidelines, § 15091) The first such finding is that "[c]hanges or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effect as identified in the final EIR." The second permissible finding is that "[s]uch changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the agency making the finding. Such changes have been adopted by such other agency or can and should be adopted by such other agency." The third potential conclusion is that "[s]pecific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measures or project alternatives identified in the final EIR." Public Resources Code

Section 21061.1 defines "feasible" to mean "capable of being accomplished in a successful manner within a reasonable period of time, taking into account economic, environmental, social and technological factors." CEQA Guidelines Section 15364 adds another factor for "legal" considerations. The concept of "feasibility" also encompasses the question of whether a particular alternative or mitigation measure promotes the underlying goals and objectives of a project. Feasibility under CEQA encompasses desirability to the extent that desirability is based on a reasonable balancing of the relevant economic, environmental, social, and technological factors.

The CEQA Guidelines do not define the difference between "avoiding" a significant environmental effect and merely "substantially lessening" such effect. The City must therefore glean the meaning of these terms from the other contexts in which the terms are used. Public Resources Code Section 21081, on which CEQA Guidelines Section 15091 is based, uses the term "mitigate" rather than "substantially lessen." The CEQA Guidelines therefore equate "mitigating" with "substantially lessening." Such an understanding of the statutory term is consistent with the policies underlying CEQA, which include the policy that "public agencies should not approve projects as proposed if there are feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures available which would substantially lessen the significant environmental effects of such projects" (Public Resources Code, § 21002).

For purposes of these findings, the term "avoid" refers to the effectiveness of one or more mitigation measures to reduce an otherwise significant effect to a less than significant level. In contrast, the term "substantially lessen" refers to the effectiveness of such measure or measures to substantially reduce the severity of a significant effect, but not to reduce that effect to a less than significant level. Although CEQA Guidelines Section 15091 requires only that approving agencies specify that a particular significant effect is "avoid[ed] or substantially lessen[ed]," these findings, for purposes of clarity, in each case will specify whether the effect in question has been reduced to a less than significant level, or has simply been substantially lessened but remains significant. CEQA requires that the lead agency adopt mitigation measures or alternatives, where feasible, to substantially lessen or avoid significant environmental impacts that would otherwise occur.

Project modification or alternatives are not required, however, where such changes are infeasible or where the responsibility for modifying the project lies with some other agency (CEQA Guidelines, § 15091, subd. (a), (b)). The Plan was drafted with the intent that it contain policies and actions which, as development occurs under the Plan, will minimize to the greatest extent possible the impacts of such development. However, it was not possible to reduce all potentially significant effects to a level of less than significant through the inclusion of such policies and actions. Therefore, there are some effects which have been identified as significant and unavoidable.

With respect to a project for which significant impacts are not avoided or substantially lessened, a public agency, after adopting proper findings, may nevertheless approve the project if the agency first adopts a statement of overriding considerations setting forth the specific reasons why the agency found that the project's "benefits" rendered "acceptable" its "unavoidable adverse environmental effects" (CEQA Guidelines, §§ 15093, 15043; see also Pub. Resources Code, § 21081). These findings constitute the City's best efforts to set forth the evidentiary and policy bases for its decision to approve the Updated General Plan in a manner consistent with the requirements of CEQA. These findings, in other words, are not merely informational, but rather constitute a binding set of obligations that will come into effect when the City Council adopts a resolution approving the Updated General Plan.

GENERAL FINDINGS

The City of Williams (City) hereby finds as follows:

1. The City is the "Lead Agency" for the Updated General Plan evaluated in the EIR;
2. The EIR was prepared in compliance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines;
3. The City has independently reviewed and analyzed the EIR, and these documents reflect the independent judgment of the City;
4. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) has been prepared for the Updated General Plan, which the City has adopted. That MMRP is incorporated herein by this reference and is considered part of the record of proceedings for the Updated General Plan;

5. The MMRP designates responsibility and anticipated timing for the implementation of mitigation. The Planning Department will serve as the MMRP Coordinator;
6. In determining whether the Updated General Plan has a significant impact on the environment, and in adopting these Findings pursuant to Section 21081 of CEQA, the City has complied with CEQA Sections 21081.5 and 21082.2;
7. The potential impacts of the Updated General Plan have been analyzed to the extent feasible at the time of certification of the Final EIR;
8. The City reviewed the comments received on the Draft EIR and the responses thereto and has determined that neither the comments received nor the responses to such comments add significant new information regarding environmental impacts to the EIR.
9. The City has based its actions and decisions on full appraisal of all viewpoints, including all comments received up to the date of adoption of these Findings, concerning the environmental impacts identified and analyzed in the EIR;
10. The City has made no decisions that constitute an irretrievable commitment of resources toward the Updated General Plan prior to the certification of the Final EIR, nor has the City previously committed to a definite course of action with respect to the Updated General Plan;
11. Copies of all the documents incorporated by reference in the EIR are and have been available upon request at all times at the offices of the City Planning Department, the custodian of record for such documents or other materials; and
12. Having received, reviewed, and considered all information and documents in the record, the City hereby conditions the Updated General Plan and finds as stated in these Findings.

FINDINGS REGARDING LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS

Under CEQA, no mitigation measures are required for impacts that are less than significant. (Pub. Resources Code, Section 21002; CEQA Guidelines, Section 15126.4, subd. (a)(3), 15091.) Impacts of the project found to be less than significant or having no impact, and which require no mitigation, are identified in the bulleted list below. The City has reviewed the record and agrees with the conclusion that the following impacts would not be significant adverse impacts under the project, and therefore no additional findings are needed.

Land Use

- Impact 4.1.1 Physically Divide Established Community
- Impact 4.1.2 Conflict with Other Plans and Policies
- Impact 4.1.3 Conflict with Habitat or Natural Community Conservation

Population and Housing

- Impact 4.2.2 Displacement of Housing
- Impact 4.2.3 Displacement of Persons

Air Quality

- Impact 4.5.5 Expose People to Objectionable Odors

Geology and Soils

- Impact 4.7.1 Rupture of Known Earthquake Faults
- Impact 4.7.3 Landslide Hazards
- Impact 4.7.5 Loss of Mineral Resources

Hydrology

- Impact 4.8.8 Expose People to Loss from Levee or Dam Failure

- Impact 4.8.9 Expose Development to Loss from Levee or Dam Failure
- Impact 4.8.10 Inundation by Seiche, Tsunami, or Mudflow

Biology

- Impact 4.11.4 Conflict with Adopted Habitat Conservation Plan or Natural Community Conservation Plan

Agriculture

- Impact 4.12.3 Other Environmental Changes Resulting in Agricultural Land Conversion

Hazards and Hazardous Materials and Solid Waste

- Impact 4.13.5 Produce Solid Waste that would Exceed Permitted Capacity of Landfill
- Impact 4.13.6 Expose People Within Two Miles of a Public Airport
- Impact 4.13.9 Expose People to Wildland Fires

**FINDINGS REGARDING SIGNIFICANT OR POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT
IMPACTS MITIGATED TO LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS**

The following significant and potentially significant environmental impacts of the project are being mitigated to a less-than-significant level and are set out below. Pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), the City of Williams City Council, based on the evidence in the record before it, and exercising its independent judgment, finds that changes or alterations incorporated into the project by means of General Plan Policies and Recommended Actions or otherwise, mitigate, avoid, or substantially lessen to a level of insignificance these significant and potentially significant environmental impacts of the project. The basis for the finding for each impact is set forth below.

Population and Housing

Impact 4.2.1. The EIR in Impact 4.2.1 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could induce growth in the Williams area. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.32, 3.33, 3.34, 3.35 and 3.36. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-9 through 4-13 of the DEIR.

Aesthetics

Impact 4.3.1. The EIR in Impact 4.3.1 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could have an adverse impact on a scenic vista. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.11, 3.12, 3.14, 3.19, 3.20, 3.44, 3.28, 3.i, 3.k, 3.m, 3.bb, 3.dd and 3.ll. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-14 through 4-18 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.3.2. The EIR in Impact 4.3.2 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could damage scenic resources. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.11, 3.12, 3.14, 3.28, 3.i, 3.k, 3.m, 3.p, 3.q, 3.bb, 3.dd and 3.ll. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-14 through 4-20 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.3.3. The EIR in Impact 4.3.3 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could degrade existing visual character. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.2, 3.11, 3.12, 3.14, 3.24, 3.28, 3.i, 3.k, 3.m, 3.bb, 3.dd and 3.ll. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-14 through 4-23 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.3.4. The EIR in Impact 4.3.4 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could create light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area. However, this

impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.11, 3.12, 3.14, 3.28, 3.f, 3.i, 3.k, 3.m, 3.t, 3.bb, 3.dd and 3.ii. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-14 through 4-25 of the DEIR.

Circulation

Impact 4.4.1. The EIR in Impact 4.4.1 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could increase traffic which is considered substantial in relation to the existing traffic load and capacity of the street system. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 8.c-1, 8.c-2, 8.c-3, 8.c-6, 8.d-5, 8.b-2, 8.d-1, and 8.d-9. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-26 through 4-37 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.4.2. The EIR in Impact 4.4.2 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could exceed, either individually or cumulatively, a level of service standard for designated roads or highways. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 8.c-1, 8.c-2, 8.c-3, 8.c-6, 8.d-5, 8.b-2, 8.d-1, and 8.d-9. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-26 through 4-37 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.4.3. The EIR in Impact 4.4.3 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could substantially increase hazards due to a design feature or incompatible use. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 8.h, 8.d-10, 8.d-11, 8.h-1, 8.h-2, 8.h-3, 8.h-4, 8.h-5, 3.40, 3.50, 8.e, 8.e-1, 8.e-2, 8.e-3, 8.e-4, 8.f-1, 8.f-2, 8.f-3, 8.f-4, 8.g-1, 8.g-2, 8.g-3, and 8.g-4. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-26 through 4-40 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.4.4. The EIR in Impact 4.4.4 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in inadequate emergency access. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 8.h, 8.d-10, 8.d-11, 8.h-1, 8.h-2, 8.h-3, 8.h-4, 8.h-5, 3.40, 3.50, 8.e, 8.e-1, 8.e-2, 8.e-3, 8.e-4, 8.f-1, 8.f-2, 8.f-3, 8.f-4, 8.g-1, 8.g-2, 8.g-3, and 8.g-4. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-26 through 4-40 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.4.5. The EIR in Impact 4.4.5 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could conflict with adopted policies, plans or programs supporting alternative transportation. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 8.b-1, 8.b-2, 8.c-1, 8.c-2, 8.c-3, 8.c-4, 8.c-6, 8.c-7, 8.d-1, 8.d-2, 8.d-3, 8.d-4, 8.d-5, 8.d-6, 8.d-7, 8.d-8, 8.d-9, 8.d-10, and 8.d-11. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-26 through 4-42 of the DEIR.

Air Quality

Impact 4.5.1. The EIR in Impact 4.5.1 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.52, 3.58, 3.60, 7.12, 7.13, 7.15, 7.as, 8.b, 8.b-5, 8.b-7, 8.c, 8.c-7, 8.d-2, 8.d-3, 8.d-7, 8.d-11, 8.f-2, 8.h-4, 8.i, 8.i-1, 8.i-2, 8.i-3, 8.l, 8.l-4, and 8.o. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-43 through 4-57 of the DEIR.

Noise

Impact 4.6.1. The EIR in Impact 4.6.1 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in development of noise-sensitive land uses within areas subject to noise impacts. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 6.1, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5, 6.6, 6.8, 6.9, 6.10, 6.11, 6.12, 6.13, 6.14, 6.a, 6.b, 6.c, 6.d, 6.e, 6.f, 6.g, 6.h, 6.i, 6.j, 6.k, 6.l, and 6.m. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-66 through 4-85 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.6.2. The EIR in Impact 4.6.2 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in development of noise-producing uses near existing noise-sensitive land uses. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 6.1, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5, 6.6, 6.8, 6.9, 6.10, 6.11, 6.12, 6.13, 6.14, 6.a, 6.b, 6.c, 6.d, 6.e, 6.f, 6.g, 6.h, 6.i, 6.j, 6.k, 6.l, and 6.m. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-66 through 4-86 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.6.4. The EIR in Impact 4.6.4 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in possible temporary, short-term exposure of sensitive receptors to vibration. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 6.1, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5, 6.6, 6.8, 6.9, 6.10, 6.11, 6.12, 6.13, 6.14, 6.a, 6.b, 6.c, 6.d, 6.e, 6.f, 6.g, 6.h, 6.i, 6.j, 6.k, 6.l, 6.m and Mitigation Measure 6.2. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-66 through 4-89 of the DEIR.

Geology and Soils

Impact 4.7.2. The EIR in Impact 4.7.2 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in high levels of ground shaking and minor liquefaction during a seismic event which could result in substantial damage to some buildings within the community. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 4.13, 4.14, 4.15, 4.16, and 4.u. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-90 through 4-96 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.7.4. The EIR in Impact 4.7.4 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in impacts related to soil erosion or the loss of topsoil. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 4.1, 4.f, 4.4, and 4.g. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-90 through 4-98 of the DEIR.

Hydrology and Water Quality

Impact 4.8.1. The EIR in Impact 4.8.1 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in future development that would violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6, 5.b, 5.e, 5.f, and 5.g. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-99 through 4-106 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.8.2. The EIR in Impact 4.8.2 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in depletion of groundwater supplies. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.b, 5.e, 5.f, and 5.g. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-99 through 4-107 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.8.3. The EIR in Impact 4.8.3 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in future development that would alter the existing drainage pattern of the area. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 5.1, 5.5, 5.g, 5.h, 5.i, 5.j, and 5.k. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-99 through 4-108 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.8.4. The EIR in Impact 4.8.4 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in future development that would contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of stormwater drainage systems. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 5.1, 5.5, 5.g, 5.h, 5.i, 5.j, and 5.k. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-99 through 4-108 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.8.5. The EIR in Impact 4.8.5 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in future development that would degrade water quality. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 5.1, 5.5, 5.g, 5.h, 5.i, 5.j, and 5.k. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-99 through 4-108 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.8.6. The EIR in Impact 4.8.6 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in future development that would place housing within the 100-year flood hazard area. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.43, 3.45, 5.1, 5.5, and 5.6. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-99 through 4-109 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.8.7. The EIR in Impact 4.8.7 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in the placement within a 100-year flood hazard area structures that would impede or redirect flood flows. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.43, 3.45, 5.1, 5.5, and 5.6. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-99 through 4-109 of the DEIR.

Public Services

Impact 4.9.1. The EIR in Impact 4.9.1 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of governmental facilities or performance objectives. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 5.6, 5.7, 5.8, 5.10, 5.13, 5.14, 5.1, 5.m, 5.n, 5.o, 5.p, 5.q, 5.r, 5.s, 5.t, 5.u, 5.v, 5.w, and 5.x. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-110 through 4-113 of the DEIR.

Cultural Resources

Impact 4.10.1. The EIR in Impact 4.10.1 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could change the significance of a historical resource. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.11, 3.12, 3.15, 3.16, 3.17, and 3.19. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-114 through 4-121 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.10.2. The EIR in Impact 4.10.2 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could cause adverse change in an archaeological resource, paleontological resource or disturb human remains. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include Mitigation Measures M.1, M.2, and M.3. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-114 through 4-122 of the DEIR.

Biological Resources

Impact 4.11.1. The EIR in Impact 4.11.1 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could adversely affect species identified as candidate, sensitive, or special status. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.hh, 3.jj, 3.kk, 3.43, 3.44, 3.45, 3.48, 4.1, 4.4, 4.8, 4.9, 4.f, 7.4, 7.o, 7.14, 7.al, and 7.am. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-123 through 4-137 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.11.2. The EIR in Impact 4.11.2 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could adversely affect species identified as candidate, sensitive, or special status wildlife species. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 7.17, 7.18, 7.x, 7.y, 7.z, 7.ad, 7.ae, 7.27, 7.ah, and 7.ai. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-123 through 4-139 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.11.3. The EIR in Impact 4.11.3 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in the loss of wetlands. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.hh, 3.43, 3.46, 4.4, 4.8, 4.9, 4.d, 4.p, 7.14, 7.al, 7.17 and 7.am. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-123 through 4-141 of the DEIR.

Agriculture

Impact 4.12.2. The EIR in Impact 4.12.2 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use or a Williamson Act contract. However, this

impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.44, 3.45, 3.55, 3.56, and 7.1. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-143 through 4-146 of the DEIR and on pages 3-21 through 3-24 of the FEIR.

Hazards and Hazardous Materials and Solid Waste

Impact 4.13.1. The EIR in Impact 4.13.1 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could create a hazard through the routine transport, use or disposal of hazardous materials. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 4.31, 4.32, 4.33, 4.34, 4.35, and 4.36. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-147 through 4-159 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.13.2. The EIR in Impact 4.13.2 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could create a hazard through accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 4.31, 4.32, 4.33, 4.34, 4.35, and 4.36. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-147 through 4-159 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.13.3. The EIR in Impact 4.13.3 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in hazardous materials or waste within one-quarter mile of a school. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 4.31, 4.32, 4.33, 4.34, 4.35, and 4.36. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-147 through 4-159 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.13.4. The EIR in Impact 4.13.4 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in development of a site listed on the hazardous materials site list. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 4.31, 4.32, 4.33, 4.34, 4.35, and 4.36. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-147 through 4-159 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.13.7. The EIR in Impact 4.13.7 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in a safety hazard for people in the vicinity of a private airstrip. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.32, 3.33, 3.34, 3.35 and 3.38. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-147 through 4-161 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.13.8. The EIR in Impact 4.13.8 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could interfere with emergency response or evacuation plans. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.5, 4.6, 4.7, 4.8, 4.9, 4.10, 4.11, 4.12, 4.13, 4.14, 4.17, 4.18, 4.19, 4.20, 5.c, 5d, 4.38, 4.39, and 4.40. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-147 through 4-163 of the DEIR.

Parks and Recreation

Impact 4.14.1. The EIR in Impact 4.14.1 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in overuse of existing neighborhood and regional parks. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 7.5, 7.6, 7.8, 7.9, 7.10, 7.11, and 7.12. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-164 through 4-166 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.14.2. The EIR in Impact 4.14.2 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result park construction and expansion. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.41, 3.66, 3.67, 3.69 and 7.o. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-164 through 4-167 of the DEIR.

Municipal Utilities and Service Systems

Impact 4.15.1. The EIR in Impact 4.15.1 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in overuse an exceedance of water quality standards. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 5.1, 5.3, 5.4, 5.a, and 5.b. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-168 through 4-172 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.15.2. The EIR in Impact 4.15.2 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could require the construction and expansion of wastewater facilities. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.b, 5.d, and 5.g. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-168 through 4-174 of the DEIR.

Impact 4.15.3. The EIR in Impact 4.15.3 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could require the development of future capacity with the build-out of the plan. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.b, 5.d, and 5.g. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-168 through 4-174 of the DEIR.

Energy

Impact 4.16.1. The EIR in Impact 4.16.1 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in an increase in energy demand. However, this impact is reduced to less than significant with the changes that include the Updated General Plan polices and recommended actions 3.32, 3.34, 3.37, 3.39, 3.74, 4.29, 5.1, 5.2, 5.10, 5.21, 7.13, 7.19, 7.28, 8.b, 8.d, 4.u, 5.b, 5.g, 7.f, 7.q, 7.ap, 7.as, 8.i-3. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-175 through 4-183 of the DEIR.

FINDINGS REGARDING POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT AND UNAVOIDABLE ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

The Draft EIR identified a number of significant and unavoidable environmental effects (or impacts) that the Updated General Plan may cause. No feasible mitigation measures were identified which could avoid or substantially reduce these effects, although some of these unavoidable significant effects can be substantially lessened by the adoption of policies and actions contained in the Updated General Plan. For reasons set forth in the Overriding Consideration Section, however, the City has determined that overriding economic, social, and other considerations outweigh the significant, unavoidable effects of the Updated General Plan. The City Council's findings with respect to the Updated General Plan's significant effects are set forth below. All other impacts of the implementation of the City of Williams Updated General Plan were identified in the Draft EIR as less than significant.

Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas

Impact 4.5.2. The EIR in Impact 4.5.2 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could violate air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation. This impact is considered to be significant and unavoidable. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-58 through 4-60 of the DEIR and on pages 4-9 through 4-11 of the FEIR.

Impact 4.5.3. The EIR in Impact 4.5.3 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of a criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors). This impact is considered to be significant and unavoidable. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-58 through 4-60 of the DEIR and on pages 4-9 through 4-11 of the FEIR.

Impact 4.5.4. The EIR in Impact 4.5.4 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations. This impact is considered to be significant and unavoidable. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-61 through 4-62 of the DEIR and on page 4-12 of the FEIR.

Impact 4.5.6. The EIR in Impact 4.5.6 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly. This impact is considered to be significant and unavoidable. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-63 through 4-65 of the DEIR and on pages 4-12 through 4-16 of the FEIR.

Because the land uses proposed in the proposed Updated General Plan are not reflected in the Northern Sacramento Valley Planning Area (NSVPA) 2006 Air Quality Attainment Plan which is the most recent air quality planning document for the City of Williams area and the Colusa County Air District, the proposed Updated General Plan would increase the region's VMT and air emissions beyond what was assumed in the 2006 NSVPA Air Quality Attainment Plan. Consequently, the proposed Updated General Plan would conflict with the adopted air plan and would result in cumulative air quality impacts. Similarly, the build-out of the Updated General Plan may allow for increases of CO concentrations near congested intersections or roadways that would adversely affect sensitive receptors without mitigation. Information regarding specific development projects, soil types, and the locations of receptors would be needed in order to quantify the level of impact associated with construction activity. Due to the scale of development activity associated with build-out of the proposed Updated General Plan, emissions would be expected to exceed the NSVPA 2006 Air Quality Attainment Plan. However, future development projects will be subject to CEQA review, if necessary, and analysis would be conducted based on project-level information. The City's policies and recommended actions would require the City to continue to work toward improved air quality through land use and transportation decisions, as well as through participation in regional air quality plans and regional improvement efforts.

Global climate change is not confined to a particular project area and is generally accepted as the consequence of global industrialization over the last 200 years. A typical project, even a very large one, does not generate enough greenhouse gas emissions on its own to influence global climate change significantly; hence, the issue of global climate change is, by definition, a cumulative environmental impact. Furthermore, implementation of the Updated General Plan would include efforts to reduce Greenhouse Gas emissions. The policies and recommended actions are described fully in the DEIR. The DEIR also contains a discussion of the federal, state and regional efforts to reduce the GHGs in the area of the City of Williams. For this broad-based Updated General Plan, it is not possible to determine whether the scale and phasing of individual projects involved in the build-out of the proposed City of Williams Updated General Plan would result in the exceedance of regional emission thresholds.

The City of Williams finds that impacts associated with Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas emissions would remain Significant and Unavoidable, and a Statement of Overriding Considerations is required.

Noise

Impact 4.6.3. The EIR in Impact 4.6.3 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in traffic noise level increases under build-out conditions. This impact is considered to be significant and unavoidable. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-86 through 4-87 of the DEIR.

Due to the anticipated growth within the Updated General Plan and the regional traffic conditions, an increase in traffic noise ranging from 2 to 12dB L_{dn} is anticipated. While the Updated General Plan does contain policies and recommended actions that would abate increases in noise, it is infeasible to ensure that existing residential uses will not be exposed to future traffic noise levels that exceed the City's noise standard. Even though implementation of Mitigation Measure 6.1 would reduce interior noise levels to 45 dBA or lower, exterior noise levels may still exceed 65 dBA.

The City of Williams finds that impacts associated with Noise would remain Significant and Unavoidable, and a Statement of Overriding Considerations is required.

Agriculture

Impact 4.12.1. The EIR in Impact 4.12.1 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in conversion of Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance

to non-agricultural use. This impact is considered to be significant and unavoidable. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-144 through 4-145 of the DEIR and on pages 3-21 through 3-24 of the FEIR.

The City of Williams is located in a predominately rural, agricultural area. While the lands directly within the city limits are, and have been for many years, designated for urban uses such as industrial, commercial and residential, the surrounding area continues to be in agriculture production as designated as prime farmland. With the anticipated expansion of the City of Williams into the existing and proposed Sphere of Influence, the resulting conversion of the existing farmland would have a significant impact on the local agriculture of the area. Furthermore, as the land uses within the city limits continues to build-out, the adjacent property owners will experience development pressure to convert their farmlands. The Updated General Plan does contain policies and recommended actions to contain growth within the infill areas and where there is adequate infrastructure. However, it is recognized that there is a limited supply of prime farmland available and the conversion of prime farmland is a significant impact.

The City of Williams finds that impacts associated with Agriculture would remain Significant and Unavoidable, and a Statement of Overriding Considerations is required.

Energy Infrastructure

Impact 4.16.2. The EIR in Impact 4.16.2 concludes that implementation of the proposed City of Williams General Plan Update could result in an increased demand for energy and the need to extend services and infrastructure which could cause significant environmental effects. This impact is considered to be significant and unavoidable. Analysis of this impact is set forth in full on pages 4-183 through 4-185 of the DEIR.

Projects completed under the Updated General Plan would lead to increased population, housing, non-residential development and jobs in Williams. These projects would in turn result in an increase in the need for energy. The anticipated increase in energy demand associated with the build-out of the General Plan would require an increase in the energy infrastructure in the immediate area as new subdivisions and non-residential building areas are developed. In addition to the improvements within the City of Williams the overall energy network and transmissions would also be impacted. While the Updated General Plan does contain policies and recommended actions with regard to efficiency of municipal infrastructure and utilities, the impact would be significant as the energy demands on a regional and statewide basis also continue to increase.

The City of Williams finds that impacts associated with Noise would remain Significant and Unavoidable, and a Statement of Overriding Considerations is required.

PROJECT ALTERNATIVES

Public Resources Code Section 21002 provides that "public agencies should not approve projects as proposed if there are feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures available which would substantially lessen the significant environmental effects of such projects." The procedures required by CEQA "are intended to assist public agencies in systematically identifying both the significant effects of proposed projects and the feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures which will avoid or substantially lessen such significant effects." "[I]n the event [that] specific economic, social, or other conditions make infeasible such project alternatives or such mitigation measures, individual projects may be approved in spite of one or more significant effects."

Among the factors that may be taken into account when addressing the feasibility of alternatives are economic viability, availability of infrastructure, other plans or regulatory limitations, jurisdictional boundaries (CEQA Guidelines, § 15126.6, subd. (f)(1)). The concept of "feasibility" also encompasses the question of whether a particular alternative or mitigation measure promotes the underlying goals and objectives of a project. Where a significant impact can be substantially lessened (i.e., mitigated to an "acceptable level") solely by the adoption of mitigation measures, the lead agency, in drafting its findings, has no obligation to consider the feasibility of alternatives with respect to that impact, even if the alternative would mitigate the impact to a greater degree than the project (Pub. Resources Code, § 21002). In short, CEQA requires that the lead agency adopt mitigation measures or alternatives, where feasible, to substantially lessen or avoid significant environmental impacts that would otherwise occur. Project modification or alternatives are not required, however, where such changes are infeasible or where the responsibility of modifying the project lies with some other agency (CEQA Guidelines, § 15091, subs. (a), (b)).

With respect to a project for which significant impacts are not avoided or substantially lessened, a public agency, after adopting proper findings, may nevertheless approve the project if the agency first adopts a statement of overriding considerations setting forth the specific reasons why the agency found the project's "benefits" rendered "acceptable" its "unavoidable adverse environmental effects" (CEQA Guidelines, §§ 15093, 15043, subd. (b); see also Pub. Resources Code, § 21081, subd. (b)). The Updated General Plan was drafted with the intent that it contain policies and actions which, as development occurs under the Plan, will minimize to the greatest extent possible the impacts of such development. However, it was not possible to reduce all potentially significant effects to a level of less than significant through the inclusion of such policies and actions, and therefore there are several impacts identified which are significant and unavoidable. Specifically, the project would have significant unavoidable adverse agricultural, air quality, noise and energy impacts. The DEIR examined the Updated General Plan alternatives, exploring their comparative advantages and disadvantages as identified in the DEIR Table 5.1 Comparison of Alternative to Selected Plan. The DEIR discussed the following alternatives:

- Expansion Eastward Alternative
- Cluster Alternative
- Mixed-Use Concentration Alternative
- No Project Alternative

Each of these alternatives was evaluated under the same environmental categories as presented for the proposed Project and as identified in Chapter 5 of the DEIR. Based on the comparison of the relative merits of each alternative compared to the proposed Updated General Plan, each of the alternatives was found to be deficient in meeting the City's goals and objectives.

Based on the comparative evaluation contained in Chapter 5 of the EIR, the proposed Updated General Plan would be the environmentally superior alternative.

Expansion Eastward Alternative

This alternative (Figure 5.2 in the DEIR) was originally proposed and was used in projecting future traffic volumes and road system improvements needed to service an implied William's population level of over 13,000. It also approximates the alternative that has been proposed by Colusa County in its General Plan Update for the Williams SOI (Planning Area). The most prominent difference between this alternative and the proposed Updated General Plan is a 620 gross-acre rectangular area of proposed suburban residential growth east of Husted Road. Development would occur in a curvilinear pattern similar to the Valley Ranch Subdivision, with appropriately situated open areas dedicated for stormwater detention and neighborhood parks. This alternative was deemed unacceptable by the General Plan Advisory committee (GPAC) on account of the large number of housing units that the area would accommodate, along with the added costs required to enhance the City's circulation system to accommodate the higher population levels. Furthermore, the Expansion Eastward Alternative would result in a substantial deterioration as compared to the proposed Updated General Plan in terms of agriculture, air quality / greenhouse gasses, biological resources, circulation, hydrology and water quality, noise, housing, public services, parks and open space and utilities.

Consequently, the City rejects the Expansion Eastward Alternative and finds that the reasons described above are sufficient to find the Expansion Eastward Alternative infeasible.

Cluster Alternative

This alternative is a variant of the preferred development scenario of the proposed Updated General Plan, with an identical assumption of future population. Future land development would proceed to the south and east with lower densities, in either suburban or clustered forms, as shown in Figure 5.3 of the DEIR. Because the residential lots would be larger, the resulting lower density of future development would result in more gross land area being used

for development. However, the use of clustered forms of development would result in significant amounts of open space preservation. Because this alternative would require more land area to be developed than envisioned in the Updated General Plan, it would result in an insubstantial deterioration as compared to the proposed Updated General Plan in terms of agricultural, air quality, noise and energy.

Consequently, the City rejects the Cluster Alternative and finds that the reasons described above are sufficient to find the Cluster Alternative to be infeasible.

Mixed-Use Concentration Alternative

This alternative represents the opposite of the Expansion Eastward Alternative; development to the south would be considerably reduced and be largely replaced by the establishment of a new, mixed-use residential-commercial area in the City's northeastern sector at the intersection of Interstate 5 and CA-20. This is shown in Figure 5.4 of the DEIR. The introduction of this more urban form of development to Williams would result in generally higher onsite densities, which would occupy less land area but provide higher concentrations of activity and corresponding impacts. Because the Mixed-Use Concentration Alternative would result in higher onsite densities beyond those envisioned in the Updated General Plan, it would result not meet the objectives of the City to "Ensure that change harmonizes with existing development to preserve the City's historic and neighborhood character" and would result in insubstantial deterioration as compared to the proposed Updated General Plan in terms of agricultural, air quality, noise and energy.

Consequently, the City rejects the Mixed-Use Concentration Alternative and finds that the reasons described above are sufficient to find the Mixed-Use Concentration Alternative to be infeasible.

No Project Alternative

This alternative assumes that the Updated General Plan would not be adopted and implemented. Instead, the City would continue to rely on its existing 1989 General Plan, which was adopted on September 7, 1988. This plan, shown on Figure 5.5 of the DEIR was based on a 2008 horizon year with a projected population level of 3,913 and has a future land use plan that is identical to the zoning map that was in effect at that time. Since Williams' current population has been estimated to be 5,287, the existing General Plan did not account for this additional growth. Furthermore, since the No Project Alternative lacks the policy statements and recommended actions that would be included in the proposed General Plan that would reduce the impacts associated with agricultural, air quality, noise and energy, the No Project Alternative would represent a substantial deterioration in comparison to the Updated General Plan.

Consequently, the City rejects the No Project Alternative and finds that the reasons described above are sufficient to find the No Project Alternative to be infeasible.

STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS

"CEQA recognizes that in determining whether and how a project should be approved, a public agency has an obligation to balance a variety of public objectives, including economic, environmental, and social factors and in particular the goal of providing a decent home and satisfying living environment for every Californian" (CEQA Guidelines, Section 15021). To reflect the ultimate balancing of competing public objectives when the agency decides to approve a project that will cause one or more significant effects on the environment, an agency must prepare a statement of overriding considerations" (CEQA Guidelines, Section 15021, subd. (d), 15093).

A statement of overriding considerations must set forth the reasons why the agency found that the project's "specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other benefits" rendered "acceptable" its "unavoidable adverse environmental effects." (CEQA Guidelines, Sections 15093, subd. (a), 15043, subd. (b); see also Pub. Resources Code, Section 21081, subd. (b)).

In accordance with Public Resources Code 21081 (b) and CEQA Guidelines, Section 15093, the City Council has, in determining whether or not to adopt the Updated General Plan, balanced the economic, social, technological, academic, and other benefits of the Plan against its unavoidable environmental effects, and has found that the benefits of the Plan outweigh the significant adverse environmental effects that are not mitigated to less-than-significant levels, for the reasons set forth below. This statement of overriding considerations is based on the City

Council's review of the DEIR and FEIR and other information in the administrative record. The City Council finds that each of the following benefits is an overriding consideration, independent of the other benefits, that warrants approval of the General Plan notwithstanding the Updated General Plan's significant unavoidable impacts.

The Updated General Plan is largely self-mitigating, and therefore all but four project specific significant impacts would be less than significant without mitigation. The Project's four project specific significant and unavoidable impacts are Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas, Noise, Agriculture, and Energy Infrastructure.

The City recognizes that the General Plan will cause the four significant and unavoidable impacts as listed above. The City has carefully balanced the benefits of the proposed General Plan against the unavoidable adverse impacts identified in the DEIR, FEIR and the City's Findings of Fact, which are contained in this document.

Notwithstanding the disclosure of impacts identified as significant and which have not been eliminated to a level of insignificance, the City, acting pursuant to Section 15093 of the CEQA Guidelines, hereby determines that the benefits of the General Plan outweigh the significant unmitigated adverse impacts. Further, the alternatives which were identified in the EIR to the same extent as the proposed project would not meet either in part or in whole the project objectives.

Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(b) and the CEQA Guidelines Section 15093, the City has balanced the benefits of the proposed project against these unavoidable adverse impacts associated with the proposed project and has adopted all feasible mitigation measures with respect to the air quality and greenhouse gas, noise, agriculture, and energy infrastructure.

The City also has examined alternatives to the proposed project, none of which both meet the project objectives and is environmentally preferable to the proposed project. The City, after balancing the specific economic, legal, social, technological, and other benefits of the proposed project, has determined that the unavoidable adverse environmental impacts identified above may be considered "acceptable" due to the following specific considerations which outweigh the unavoidable, adverse environmental impacts of the proposed project. Each of the separate benefits of the proposed project, as stated herein, is determined to be, unto itself and independent of the other project benefits, a basis for overriding all unavoidable adverse environmental impacts identified in these Findings. The City Council and the City Planning Commission have independently verified the existence of all facts stated below to justify the Statement of Overriding Considerations.

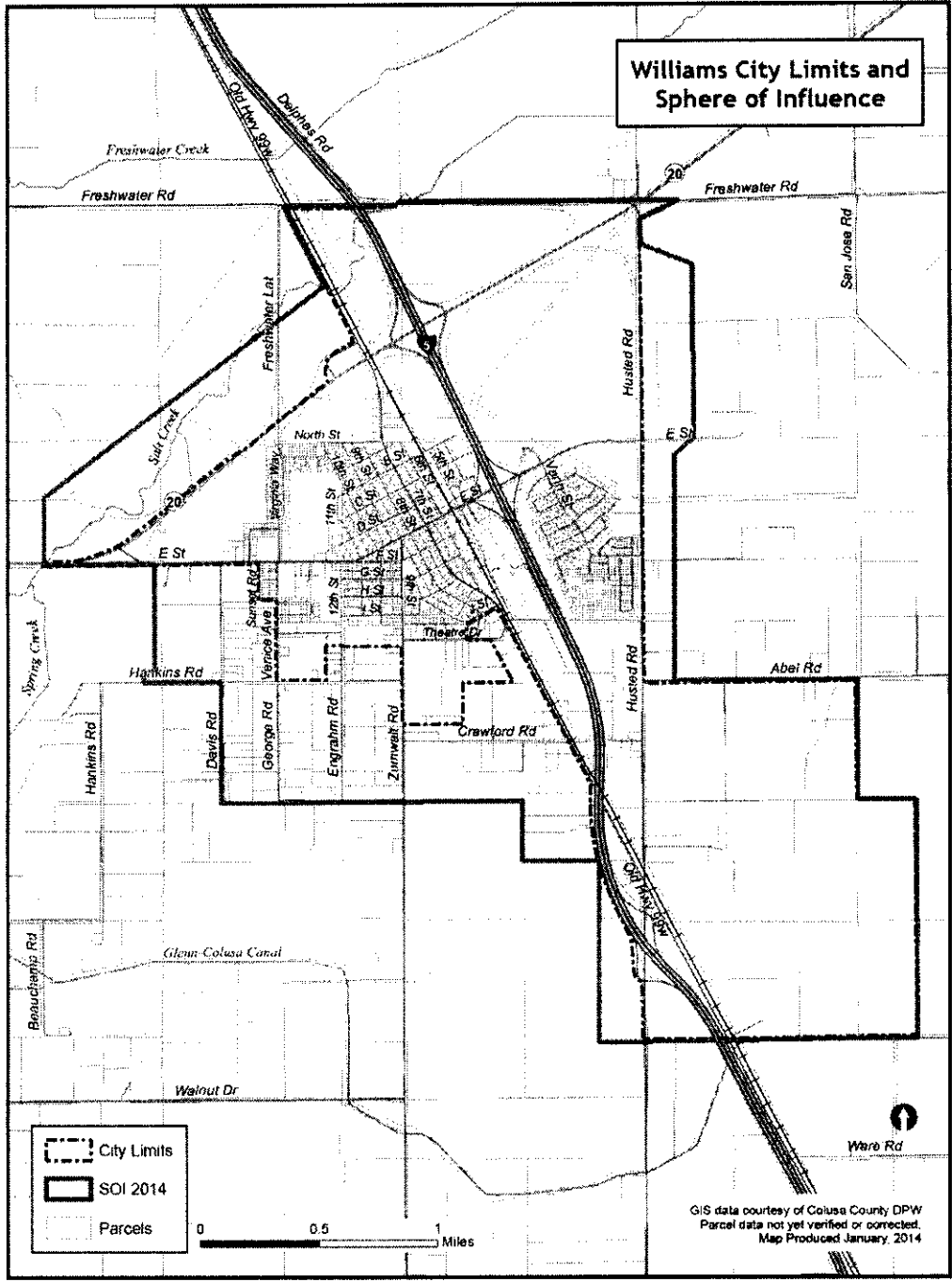
1. Implementation of the Updated General Plan will comply with State requirements and, more importantly, will provide the City, its residents, land owners and businesses, staff and policy makers and all stakeholders with a comprehensive, long-range policy guideline for future development.
2. Implementation of the Updated General Plan will serve as a foundation in making land use decisions based on goals and policies related to land use, transportation routes, population growth and distribution, development, open space, resource preservation and utilization, air and water quality, noise impacts, safety issues and other related physical, social, and economic development factors.
3. The Updated General Plan will encourage the creation of jobs and economic benefits for current residents and the under age 18 population that will be entering the labor force and seeking to form households within the next 20 years.
4. The Updated General Plan will reflect current environmental and planning trends.
5. The Project improves public safety by planning for future growth, providing for essential public facilities and services, and establishing goals and policies that minimize hazards and threats to personal safety and property.
6. The Updated General Plan is the product of a comprehensive public planning that resulted in a thoughtful balance of stakeholder, community, and environmental interests.
7. The Project minimizes public costs of infrastructure and services by correlating their construction with the timing of residential, commercial and industrial development, thereby allowing taxpayer dollars to be spent more efficiently.

8. The Updated General Plan enhances the local economy and provides opportunities for future jobs and business development commensurate with forecasted growth by planning for commercial development near transportation hubs and walkable residential areas. Moreover, the Project promotes continued agricultural production as an integral part of the regions' economy by creating an agriculture interface between the existing urban area and the prime farmland.
9. The Updated General Plan improves mobility through the development of a multi-modal transportation network that enhances connectivity, supports community development patterns, limits traffic congestion, promotes alternative transportation methods, and supports the goals of adopted regional transportation plans.
10. The Project promotes sustainable development through policies and recommended actions that balance the need for adequate infrastructure, housing and economic vitality with the need for resource management, environmental protection, and preservation of quality of life for residents in the City of Williams.
11. The Updated General Plan provides a strategic framework to accommodate a reasonable share of projected regional population growth at intensities that are appropriate with respect to existing development, environmental resources, community character, available services and available infrastructure.
12. Implementation of the Updated General Plan will preserve the character of existing single-family residential neighborhoods and continue to improve the higher density neighborhoods. Diversity in the types of housing in the city is necessary to accommodate a population with varying socioeconomic needs.
13. Implementation of the Updated General Plan will regulate development so that the density of residential development and the intensity of non-residential development are appropriate to the property and to surrounding properties and neighborhood.
14. The Updated General Plan implementation will protect and enhance the quality of life by ensuring residential development is visually pleasing and compatible with existing uses and neighborhoods as well as the natural environment.
15. Implementation of the Updated General Plan will provide a guide for City recommendations to Colusa County and other agencies regarding development proposals within the sphere of influence.
16. Implementation of the Updated General Plan will provide the land use and policy framework for pre-zoning, infrastructure master planning to facilitate the orderly annexation of sphere areas into the corporate boundaries of the City.

The EIR is hereby incorporated into these findings in its entirety. Without limitation, this incorporation is intended to elaborate on the scope and nature of mitigation measures, the basis for determining the significance of impacts, the comparative analysis of alternatives, and the reasons for approving the Project in spite of the potential for associated significant unavoidable adverse impacts.

The City finds that the above described benefits which will be derived from adopting the Updated General Plan, when weighed against the absence of the Updated General Plan, override the significant and unavoidable environmental impacts of the Plan.

Exhibit B



COLUSA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

Item 7

MEMORANDUM

March 21, 2024

To: Local Agency Formation Commission Commissioners
From: John Benoit, Executive Officer
RE: Proposed Budget for FY 2024-2025
Attachment: Budget Resolution 2024-0003
MSR and SOI Status Sheet

Since the passage of AB-2838 in 2000, LAFCO has become independent (as a result of legislative mandate) from the County. Before, operational costs of LAFCO were entirely paid by the County including costs staff time, legal services, miscellaneous office expenses, and insurance. The Legislature took the recommendation of the Commission on Local Governance for the 21st Century and concluded that LAFCO costs were to be paid by both the City and County and LAFCOs were to become entirely independent and by Special Districts if seated on LAFCO. In the latter case costs are to be split in equal thirds. Many costs have become more apparent since LAFCO is independent. Although in Colusa County LAFCO remains in the County's A-87 program, LAFCO's participation in this program is limited to accounting/auditing/financial services.

Since 2001 the legislature has given the Commission discretion over it's own budget including Legal Services (Attorney), Executive Officer Services, Office Expenses, and the amount of funds allocated for MSR's and SOI's.

In the attached sheet, I have provided a "Proposed" budget based on the costs to provide LAFCO in light of various mandates. The Budget Committee has reviewed the proposed budget. This budget relies on carryover to be balanced.

The overall goal of this budget is to conduct LAFCO business in a proactive manner involving the Community and to meet the overall requirements of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act at a reasonable cost.

Municipal Service Reviews and Sphere of Influence updates continue in the upcoming year. Colusa LAFCO as most other LAFCO's is updating its service reviews and sphere updates, as necessary. To perform these updates Colusa LAFCO has set forth a policy to incrementally complete the MSR/SOI reports and updates without the need for substantial additional special funding.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED EXPENSES:

Note: Most budgets remain essentially the same as the previous years with a few minor exceptions.

The CALAFCO Dues have been increased by \$6.00 to \$1,521 as voted on by its Directors at the CALAFCO meeting. CSDA membership remains at \$500.00 therefore, the total for the membership category is \$2,021.00.

1. The commission entered into an agreement with the City of Williams for \$3,000.00 per year. The County required a two-year back out from A-87. It has been three years so the total for this category is \$3,000.00.
2. The Special Districts Risk Management Authority has indicated a rate decrease for FY 24-25 to 2750 at this time the amount budgeted is therefore decreased by \$169.00
3. The Reserve Fund is currently at \$70,000. Due to less carryover than expected this item is not being proposed for an increase albeit it would be advisable to increase this category.

Transportation/Training I am recommending \$ 6,500.00 for training and for travel expense. This amount will provide for two to three commissioners to attend the Calafco Annual Conference in at the Teneya Lodge near Yosemite. The Cost is estimated to be \$2,000.00 per Commissioner to attend the CALAFCo conference on October 16th to the 18th, 2024. If the Commission wishes to send more than 2 Commissioners to the CALAFCo conference, this amount will need to be increased. Estimated costs for Lodging for 3 nights will be \$754 (lodging, resort fees and tax) and Registration \$700 to \$800, an optional banquet Wednesday evening of \$97.00 and mileage and Mobile Workshop costs.

This item also includes funds for a portion of Staff's expense to represent Colusa LAFCO at CALAFCO Activities.

Note: A decision as to the actual number of Commissioners anticipating attendance at the conference is needed before the final budget is approved.

Worker's Comp: Approximately \$50.00 is needed to cover the costs of Worker's comp for the Public Member and Public Member alternate.

Executive Officer - Staff Services Should the Commission grant a 4.3% employment cost index increase this year this category will increase \$2,301.51 from \$53,523.46 to \$55,824.97. This is up to the Commission. It is wise for many reasons to keep up with cost of living increases. In January 2023 the Commission approved fee increases based on the employment cost index. These costs would be passed through in part to pay increased employment costs. For this to occur the Commission will need to approve rate increases.

The Executive Officer is charged with managing and performing the day to day operations of LAFCo.

Clerical Support: The Committee is recommending \$3,657 for clerk or clerical services. A LAFCO Clerk is necessary to record meetings to produce an accurate

record and provide other miscellaneous duties. Assistance is needed in production and distribution of packets and miscellaneous analyst duties.

Webhosting: Budgeting in this category has been eliminated since staff manages the LAFCO webpage. Website costs (URL Registration, for example) are paid from the office expense category.

Legal Services Should the Commission grant a 4.3% employment cost index increase this year this category will increase \$1,150.75 from \$26,761.73 to \$27,912.84. This is up to the Commission. It is wise for many reasons to keep up with cost of living increases. In January 2023 the Commission approved fee increases based on the employment cost index. These costs would be passed through in part to pay increased employment costs.

LAFCO Counsel is needed to provide legal direction at meetings of the Commission and to protect LAFCO's interests where required. Project related legal costs would be billed to the project proponent through LAFCO's fee structure. Should the Commission wish to amend Counsel's contract, the contract information is as follows.

Liability Insurance: LAFCO is required to have insurance as an independent agency. Seven years ago, the Board of Supervisors made a final determination that LAFCO should have independent insurance. Therefore, LAFCO's bought insurance through the SDRMA. This year's cost is estimated at this time to be \$2,750.

Office Supplies This item covers copy costs, postage, and misc. office supplies. Expenses for FY 2024-2025 are expected to remain the same for postage, copies and office expenses at \$1,325.00. The Committee is recommending a minimal budget remain to cover expenses related to MSR's and SOI studies and to process additional projects. Copy and Postage expenses for MSR's and SOI's are included in this line-item budget.

Memberships As a condition of having SDRMA Insurance, a \$500.00 membership fee is required in the CSDA. In FY 2024-2025 the CALAFCO membership cost is \$1,521.00.

Legal Notices/Publications The Committee is recommending \$800.00 for this item. Legal notices are required by state law and must be prepared for Municipal Service Reviews and Sphere of Influence Updates, all public hearings before the Commission and protest hearings. Public hearing notices are required for many LAFCO actions. Cost overruns in this category will be fee supported.

Communications The Committee is recommending \$800. to cover communications. This amount will provide phone access to LAFCO by agencies and the public.

Special Projects: This line item is reserved for one-time projects requested by the Commission or staff. The LAFCO files need to be categorized and scanned into electronic format. The goal is to minimize the amount of space needed for retained files per LAFCO's record retention policy and to scan all the files for easy accessibility. Staff will begin the process of categorizing and scanning the files immediately in accordance

with LAFCO's adopted records retention policy. This category also includes GIS mapping. The estimated amount to perform this function next year is \$5,000.00.

Sphere of Influence Updates and Municipal Service Reviews The Committee is recommending a budget of \$32,000, to cover the costs of working on Municipal Service Reviews and Spheres of Influence in accordance with the adopted work program as well as \$5,000.00 to cover the costs of G.I.S. Mapping.

Note: Given budgetary and time constraints, this work most likely will have to be completed by staff over several years. The use of consultants will require budget estimates significantly higher than stated. In addition, staff will have to review the consultant's work to ensure accuracy. It has been the experience of many LAFCO's that the Executive Officer has to re-write work prepared by consultants adding even more cost.

Contingency The Contingency fund for FY 2024-2025 is proposed to remain at \$10,000 and the reserve fund to be \$70,000. The justification of the General Reserve is to provide LAFCO with the funds necessary to initiate projects in accordance with its Bylaws and Policies for which funding does not exist. If, for some reason, LAFCO were to have a cost overrun or unanticipated expenses such as litigation during the fiscal year, LAFCO would have to formally request a loan from the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors has no obligation to fund such a loan.

COST OVERHEAD - A-87 Estimated cost to prepare financials with the City of Williams is \$3,000.00.

SUMMARY OF ANTICIPATED FEE DEPOSITS AND INTEREST

LAFCO may need to increase appropriations in various budgets if unanticipated revenue is realized through project applications. In the past, LAFCO has estimated the revenue for fee deposits and interest. The fee deposits do not become revenue until actual work is completed. This has been the case for the past three years. The amount anticipated is \$5,000.00.

CARRYOVER

This year LAFCO will not expend its entire budget. LAFCO has relied upon carryover to fund the next year's budget. An estimated unexpended general reserve and unexpended funds of approximately \$94,471.00 Most of this amount will be dedicated to maintaining the General Reserve and Contingency Funds which together is \$80,000.

WORK PROGRAM:

For FY 2024-2025 (see MSR and SOI status Spreadsheet)

1. Process LAFCo Applications as they are received.
2. Complete the GCID MSR and the Colusa Basin Drainage District MSR
3. Review Park and Recreation Districts last reviewed in 2011

4. Sponsor a forum for Independent Special Districts. Specific content is to be determined
5. CSA's 1 and 2 Stonyford and Stonyford

COSTS TO CITIES AND COUNTY:

The proposed cost to the Cities and the County is proposed to be \$132,419.81 for FY 2024-2025 an increase of \$20,406.60.19 from FY 23-24 amount of \$112,013 largely due to a decreased carryover and the preparation of a MSR and SOI for the Colusa Basin Drainage District.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Consider the above budget justification report, discuss and amend report and (or) the proposed budget as necessary.
2. Adopt LAFCO Resolution 2024-0003 approving a proposed budget for FY 2024-2025.

COLUSA LAFCO

Name of Agency	MSR Completed	Sphere of influence completed	
AGENCIES FORMED since 2000			
Cortina CSD*	Resolution 2015-012 Aug 6, 2015	Resolution 2015-0013 Aug 6, 2015	
Arbuckle Parks and Rec. Dist	Formed July 6, 2006	Resolution 2006-0005 July 6, 2006	
WATER AND OR WASTEWATER SERVICE DISTRICTS			
Maxwell PUD*	Resolution 2006-07 Dec 7, 2006	Resolution 2007-0006 November 1, 2007	
Princeton Water Works District*	Resolution 2016-0007 10.6.16	Resolution 2016-0008 10.6.2016	
Colusa County Waterworks #1 (grimes)	Resolution 2021-0001 Jan 7, 2021	Resolution 2021-0002 Jan 7, 2021	
Arbuckle Public Utility District	Reso 2013-0001 March 7, 2013	Reso 2013-0002 March 7, 2013	
FIRE AND EMS DISTRICTS			
Arbuckle-College City Fire	Reso 2020-0005 Nov 5, 2021	Reso 2020-0001-0005 Nov 5, 2020	
Bear Valley-Indian Valley Fire	Reso 2020-0005 Nov 5, 2021	Reso 2020-0001-0005 Nov 5, 2020	
Glenn-Colusa Fire Protection District	Reso 2020-0005 Nov 5, 2021	Reso 2020-0001-0005 Nov 5, 2020	
Maxwell Fire Protection District	Reso 2020-0005 Nov 5, 2021	Reso 2020-0001-0005 Nov 5, 2020	
Princeton Fire Protection District	Reso 2020-0005 Nov 5, 2021	Reso 2020-0001-0005 Nov 5, 2020	
Sacramento River Fire Protection	Reso 2020-0005 Nov 5, 2021	Reso 2020-0001-0005 Nov 5, 2020	
Williams Fire Protection Authority	Reso 2020-0005 Nov 5, 2021	Reso 2020-0001-0005 Nov 5, 2020	
City of Colusa Fire	Reso 2020-0005 Nov 5, 2021	Reso 2020-0001-0005 Nov 5, 2020	
MOSQUITO ABATEMENT			
Colusa Mosquito Abatement District	Resolution 2018-0001 March 1, 2018	Resolution 2018-0002 Mar 1, 2018	
CEMETERY DISTRICTS			
Antelope-Black Mountain Cemetery District	Resolution 2022-0007 Sept 1, 2022	Resolution 2022-0008 Sept 1, 2022	
Arbuckle Cemetery District	Resolution 2022-0007 Sept 1, 2022	Resolution 2022-0008 Sept 1, 2022	
College City Cemetery District	Resolution 2022-0007 Sept 1, 2022	Resolution 2022-0008 Sept 1, 2022	
Colusa Cemetery District	Resolution 2022-0007 Sept 1, 2022	Resolution 2022-0008 Sept 1, 2022	
Cypress Hill Cemetery District	Resolution 2022-0007 Sept 1, 2022	Resolution 2022-0008 Sept 1, 2022	
Grand Island Cemetery District	Resolution 2022-0007 Sept 1, 2022	Resolution 2022-0008 Sept 1, 2022	
Maxwell Cemetery District	Resolution 2022-0007 Sept 1, 2022	Resolution 2022-0008 Sept 1, 2022	
Princeton Cemetery District	Resolution 2022-0007 Sept 1, 2022	Resolution 2022-0008 Sept 1, 2022	
Stonyford-Indian Valley	Resolution 2022-0007 Sept 1, 2022	Resolution 2022-0008 Sept 1, 2022	
Williams Cemetery District	Resolution 2022-0007 Sept 1, 2022	Resolution 2022-0008 Sept 1, 2022	
IRRIGATION DISTRICTS			
Holthouse Water District	Resolution 2008-0004 March 6, 2008	Resolution 2007-0007 March 6, 2008	
Colusa County Water District	Resolution 2009-0011 August 6, 2009	Resolution 2009-0012 August 6, 2009	
Davis Water District*	Resolution 2015-0001 Feb 5, 2015	Resolution 2015-0002 Feb 5, 2015	
Glenn Valley Water District*	Resolution 2015-0004 March 5, 2015	Resolution 2015-0003 3/5/2015	
Glenn Colusa I. D.	Resolution 2007-08 Nov 1, 2006	Resolution 2008-0005 March 6, 2008	pending
La Grande Water District	Resolution 2009-0003 March 5, 2009	Resolution 2009-0004 March 5, 2009	
Maxwell ID	Resolution 2017-0004 Sept 9, 2017	Resolution 2017-0005 September 7, 2017	
Westside Water District	Resolution 2008-0003 March 6, 2008	Resolution 2008-0006 March 6, 2008	
4M water district	Resolution 2016-0002 Feb 4, 2016	Resolution 2016-0003 Feb 4, 2016	
CITIES			
City of Colusa	Resolution 2021-0002 April 1, 2021	Resolution 2021-0003 April 1, 2021	
City of Williams	Resolution 2013-0005 August 1, 2013	Resolution 2014-0002 March 6, 2014	pending
RECLAMATION & FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICTS			
Reclamation District 108	Resolution 2018-0007 Sept 6, 2018	Resolution 2018-0008 September 6, 2018	
Reclamation District 479	Resolution 2018-0007 Sept 6, 2018	Resolution 2018-0008 September 6, 2018	
Reclamation District 1004	Resolution 2018-0007 Sept 6, 2018	Resolution 2018-0008 September 6, 2018	
Reclamation District 2047	Resolution 2018-0007 Sept 6, 2018	Resolution 2018-0008 September 6, 2018	
Sacramento River Westside Levee District	Resolution 2018-0007 Sept 6, 2018	Resolution 2018-0008 September 6, 2018	
Cortina Creek Flood Control and Floodwater Conservation District	Resolution 2018-0007 Sept 6, 2018	Resolution 2018-0008 September 6, 2018	
Knights Landing Ridge Drainage District	Resolution 2018-0007 Sept 6, 2018	Resolution 2018-0008 September 6, 2018	
Colusa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District	Resolution 2018-0007 Sept 6, 2018	Resolution 2018-0008 September 6, 2018	
PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICTS			
Arbuckle Park and Recreation District	Reso 2010-0010 January 27, 2011	Resolution 2010-0011 Jan 27, 2011	
Maxwell Park and Recreation District	Reso 2010-0010 January 27, 2011	Resolution 2010-0011 Jan 27, 2011	
Stonyford Park and Recreation District	Reso 2010-0010 January 27, 2011	Resolution 2010-0011 Jan 27, 2011	
COUNTY SERVICE AREAS			
County Service Area #1 - Century Ranch	Resolution 2012-0008 Dec 6, 2012	Resolution 2012-0009 December 6, 2012	pending
County Service Area #2 - Stonyford	Resolution 2012-0008 Dec 6, 2012	Resolution 2012-0009 December 6, 2012	pending
RESOURCE CONSERVATION			
Colusa RCD	Resolution 2014-0008 Dec 4, 2014	Resolution 2014-0009 December 4, 2014	
POLICY UPDATE			
BYLAWS	Resolution 2020-0003 June 4, 2020	Amended 2 times since adoption	
	Resolution 2023-0002		
Colusa Basin Drainage District			pending

Resolution 2024-0003
of the
Colusa Local Agency Formation Commission
Colusa County, California

A Resolution of Colusa LAFCO Adopting a Proposed Budget for 2024-2025

WHEREAS, Colusa LAFCO is required by Government Code Section 56381(a) to adopt annually, following a noticed public hearing, a proposed budget by May 1st and a final budget by June 15th ; and,

WHEREAS, the Commission has prepared a proposed budget for public review; and,

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has given notice of hearing in the form and manner specified by law for adoption of the proposed budget and upon the date, time and place specified in said notice of hearing, the Commission heard, discussed and considered all oral and written testimony submitted including, but not limited to, the approved budget priorities for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 and the Executive Officer's report and recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has considered the attached Budget in light of the requirements of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000;

NOW THEREFORE, the Colusa Local Agency Formation Commission does hereby determine, resolve, and order the following:

1. That Colusa LAFCO hereby adopts the attached proposed 2024-2025 proposed budget (see Exhibit A).
2. Directs the Executive Officer to transmit the proposed budget to the Auditor and all parties specified in Government Code Section 56381 (a) as promptly as possible.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Colusa Local Agency Formation Commission at a special meeting of said Commission held on March 21, 2024 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: -

NOES: -

ABSTAINS: -

ABSENT: -

Signed and approved by me after its passage this 21st day of March 2024

Greg Ponciano, Chair or
Kathrine Dunlap, Vice Chair, Colusa LAFCO

Attest:

John Benoit, Executive Officer
Colusa LAFCO

EXHIBIT "A"
PROPOSED 24-25 LAFCO Budget 04060

REV, CATEGORICAL and CARRYOVER ESTIMATES	2021-2022 Budget	2022-2023 Budget Adopted	2023-2024 Budget	2024-2025 Budget
466920 City and County Contributions	\$ 101,087.22	\$ 93,798.00	\$ 112,013.19	\$ 112,013.00
10100 Carryover Prior-Year	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 106,200.00	\$ 106,200.00	\$ 96,624.17
Categoricals				
466920 Processing Fees	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
441900 Interest	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
TOTAL REVENUE AND CARRYOVER EST.	\$ 207,287.22	\$ 205,398.00	\$ 223,613.19	\$ 215,637.17
EXPENDITURES				
7016 Workers Comp	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
7338 Executive Officer Contract	\$ 48,000.00	\$ 51,072.00	\$ 53,523.46	\$ 31,206.00
7320 Clerical Support	\$ 3,657.00	\$ 3,657.00	\$ 3,657.00	\$ 812.50
7321 Legal Services (attorney contract)	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 25,536.00	\$ 26,761.73	\$ 15,603.50
7315 Liability Insurance	\$ 2,497.22	\$ 2,847.00	\$ 2,919.00	\$ 2,807.81
7320 Office Supplies	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 87.15
7322 Postage	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 3.39
7322 Copies	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 130.20
7319 Memberships	\$ 1,808.00	\$ 1,872.00	\$ 2,027.00	\$ 1,986.00
7333 Transportation and Travel	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 526.00
7332 Training	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 5,379.14
7316 Legal Notices and Publications	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00
7306 Communications	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 520.60
7331 Special Projects -File Scanning/Complex projects	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,409.21
7340 Sphere of Influence Updates	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 10,502.10
7340 Municipal Service Reviews	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 2,940.96
7318 Mapping and Scanning	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
7703 A-87/Administration Fees	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET	\$ 137,287.22	\$ 139,709.00	\$ 143,613.19	\$ 73,914.56
59400 CONTINGENCY	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
RESERVE FUND	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 70,000.00
Expenditure total Expenditure Budget	\$ 137,287.22	\$ 139,709.00	\$ 143,613.19	\$ 73,914.56
TOTAL Funds needed for expenditures-Cont and Reserv	\$ 207,287.22	\$ 209,709.00	\$ 223,613.19	\$ 226,890.81
Estimated Revenue, Interest & Carryover	\$ 106,200.00	\$ 111,600.00	\$ 111,600.00	\$ 94,471.00
Amount to be apportioned to the Cities and the County	\$ 101,087.22	\$ 98,109.00	\$ 112,013.19	\$ 132,419.81