

CITY OF SANTA CLARITA
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR ONE VALLEY ONE VISION GENERAL PLAN

- APPLICATION:** One Valley One Vision, Valleywide General Plan
- PROJECT PROPONENT:** City of Santa Clarita
- PROJECT LOCATION:** The proposed One Valley One Vision General Plan boundary encompassing the entire incorporated City of Santa Clarita, its adopted sphere of influence, and unincorporated Los Angeles County areas in the Santa Clarita Valley.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The City of Santa Clarita's Draft General Plan, One Valley One Vision (OVOV), is the proposed project including an associated draft Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The Draft General Plan sets out a long-range vision and comprehensive policy framework for how the City should grow and develop, provide public services, and maintain the qualities that define Santa Clarita over the next 20 years and beyond (except where specific policies target other dates as set forth in the plan documents). OVOV serves as a foundation for making land use decisions based on goals and policies related to land use, transportation, population growth and distribution, open space, resource preservation and utilization, air and water quality, noise impacts, public safety, infrastructure, and other related physical, social, and economic factors. OVOV establishes a clear set of development guidelines for citizens, developers, neighboring jurisdictions and agencies, and provides the community with an opportunity to participate in the planning process. The purpose of this General Plan is to comply with State requirements and to provide the City with a comprehensive, long-range policy guideline for future development. In accordance with California Government Code Section 65302, the General Plan contains the eight elements listed below. For purposes of organizing the City's General Plan more efficiently, the issues of conservation and open space have been combined into a single chapter. Each of the elements contain maps and text setting forth goals, policies, and programs for the long-range physical development within the City's Planning Area.

- Land Use
- Conservation and Open Space
- Safety
- Circulation
- Noise
- Housing
- Economic Development

OVOV is a joint effort between the City of Santa Clarita (City), the County of Los Angeles (County), and Santa Clarita Valley (Valley) residents and businesses to create a single vision and guidelines for the future growth of the Valley and the preservation of natural resources. Realizing that development within both jurisdictions can have regional implications, the City and County have jointly endeavored to prepare planning policies and guidelines to guide future development within the Santa Clarita Valley. The result of this work effort will require the adoption of two separate documents. The City will adopt a new General Plan to replace the existing one, while the County will adopt a new Santa Clarita Valley Area Plan to replace the 1990 Santa Clarita Valley Area Plan.

The OVOV planning process reflects the City's and County's mutual decision to coordinate land uses and future development with provision of adequate infrastructure, conservation of natural resources, and common objectives for the Valley. Major goals of the OVOV joint planning effort were to achieve greater cooperation between the City and County; coordinated planning for roadways, infrastructure, and resource management; and enhanced quality of life for all who live and work in the Santa Clarita Valley.

A public hearing on this matter will be conducted by the City of Santa Clarita Planning Commission on the following date to introduce the General Plan and the DRAFT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT:

DATE: October 5, 2010
TIME: 7:00 PM
LOCATION: City Council Chambers
23920 Valencia Boulevard, First Floor, Santa Clarita, CA 91355

Additional public hearings are anticipated to be held on this matter before the Planning Commission this November and December, 2010. A draft program EIR is being prepared for this proposed General Plan to evaluate potential impacts to the incorporated City of Santa Clarita limits and its adopted sphere of influence. This draft EIR and the draft OVOV General Plan are anticipated to be available for public review the week of September 20, 2010, at the Valencia Library, located at 23743 W. Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita, CA, 91355. The documents will also be located at Santa Clarita City Hall, Community Development Department, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Suite 140; Santa Clarita, CA, 91355. These materials will be available on the City's website at <http://www.santa-clarita.com/ovov>.

If you wish to challenge the action taken on this matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues that you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Clarita at, or prior to, the public hearing. Written correspondence received by Wednesday, September 22, 2010, will be included in the written material received by the Planning Commission prior to the public hearing.

For further information regarding this project, please contact the City of Santa Clarita Community Development Department, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Suite 302, Santa Clarita, CA 91355. Telephone: (661) 255-4330. Project Planner: Jason Smisko, Senior Planner.

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