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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Yolo County Planning, Public Works and Environmental Services Department

DATE: July 1, 2015

SUBJECT: Draft Clarksburg Area Community Plan Update (Amendment to the 2030

Countywide General Plan)

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Applicant: Yolo County

File Name: ZF2014-0031

Description of Project: The project is an update to the 2001 Clarksburg Area General Plan. As per Community Character Policy CC-3.2 in the 2030 Countywide General Plan, all Area General Plans shall be updated in the form of new or updated Area Community Plans. Thus, the 2015 Clarksburg Area Community Plan has been revised to not only retain and update the previous Clarksburg Area Plan, but to ensure consistency with the Countywide General Plan and the Delta Protection Commission's Land Use and Resource Management Plan. The 2001 Clarksburg Area Plan superseded the 1992 Clarksburg General Plan, which was originally approved in 1982. The 2015 update strengthens and clarifies the goals and policies of the 2001 Plan and further preserves the heritage of Clarksburg's past, including its small town rural qualities and character. The 2015 Clarksburg Area Community Plan provides further support for the continued preservation and conservation of agricultural land, and addresses future small town growth challenges through the use of new and modified goals, policies, and implementing measures.

The Clarksburg Area Community Plan update proposes a land use change at the Old Sugar Mill, from its historic Industrial designation to Commercial General, with a subsequent rezone from Heavy Industrial (I-H) to Commercial General (C-G), to better reflect existing uses and accommodate future prospective uses at the site. This land use change was not previously anticipated by the Countywide General Plan and was therefore not analyzed in the General Plan EIR. This Initial Study focuses on the potential environmental impacts that may occur from the land use designation change and otherwise relies on the 2030 Countywide General Plan EIR for considering impacts that may occur as a result of the update to the Clarksburg Area Community Plan.

Environmental Determination: An Initial Study was prepared to examine potential areas of impact resulting from the event facility project. The Initial Study found that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment with the implementation of uniformly applied County standards to address water quality impacts. As a result, an Environmental Impact Report is not required and a Negative Declaration has been prepared.

Availability of Documents: The Initial Study/Negative Declaration (IS/ND) is now available for public review at the following location during normal business hours: the Yolo County Planning, Public Works and Environmental Services Department, 292 W. Beamer Street, Woodland, CA 95695. The IS/ND has been posted to the Yolo County Web site and may be downloaded and printed at http://www.yolocounty.org/community-services/planning-public-works/planning-division/current-projects. A PDF digital file of the IS/ND, or a hard (paper) copy of the IS/ND, are also available upon request from the Planning Division at the address or e-mail depicted below.

Comments on the Initial Study/Negative Declaration: The County requests your comments on the Initial Study/Negative Declaration during a **30-day review period**, which commences **July 1**, **2015**, and **ends on July 31**, **2015**.

The Initial Study/Negative Declaration may be obtained from, and comments (written, e-mailed, or oral) may be directed to:

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A public workshop with the Planning Commission has been scheduled to review the Draft 2015 Clarksburg Area Community Plan update. The Yolo County Planning Commission will hold a workshop on the matter on Thursday, July 9, 2015, beginning at 8:45 am or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, at the Board of Supervisors Chambers, located at 625 Court Street, in Woodland, California. A separate public notice will be sent once a formal public hearing has been set for a final recommendation from the Planning Commission to the Board of Supervisors. Call the number or e-mail to the above staff member to confirm the hearing date and time.

All interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing(s) or send written communications to the Yolo County Planning, Public Works and Environmental Services Department no later than the relevant hearing date.