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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY for the RESPONSES TO COMMENTS  
on the DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT  
for the CACHE CREEK AREA PLAN UPDATE PROJECT**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS to consider adoption  
of the CACHE CREEK AREA PLAN UPDATE**

**DATE:** August 19, 2019  
**TO:** Interested Agencies and Individuals  
**FROM:** Yolo County Natural Resources Division

**The Responses to Comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) (SCH #2017052069) for the Cache Creek Area Plan (CCAP) Update are now available for review. Public hearings to consider certification of the EIR and adoption of the CCAP Update will be held before the Yolo County Planning Commission on Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 8:30 am and before the Yolo County Board of Supervisors on October 8, 2019 at 9:00 am. More information is provided below.**

The Cache Creek Area Plan (CCAP) is a rivershed management plan adopted in 1996 that regulates off-channel mining and in-channel restoration along the Lower Cache Creek corridor. The Plan is comprised of the Off-Channel Mining Plan (OCMP), the Cache Creek Resources Management Plan (CCRMP), and the Cache Creek Improvement Program (CCIP), and is implemented by the Cache Creek In-Channel Maintenance Mining Ordinance, the Off-Channel Surface Mining Ordinance, the Surface Mining Reclamation Ordinance, the Gravel Mining Fee Ordinance, and the Flood Protection Ordinance.

The Proposed Project is an update to the CCAP, comprised of an integrated set of proposed modifications to the CCAP and the ordinances that implement it, to reflect changing conditions in the creek, analysis of monitoring data collected as a part of the program, new regulatory requirements, and clarifications and corrections. This review and update is a mandated part of the adopted program. The CCAP is based on the concept of adaptive management and relies on ongoing detailed monitoring, analysis, and reevaluation.

The CCAP area encompasses 28,130 acres within unincorporated Yolo County along the 14.5-mile length of Lower Cache Creek, extending generally from west of the Capay Dam on the west, to the town of Yolo on the east.

The proposed changes fall into three categories: 1) updates to include history and context of what has occurred under the program since 1996, including updates related to the regulatory framework and corrections of errata; 2) clarifications that better describe the intent of the program relative to the text included in the original documents; and 3) other proposed changes to the program.

Key proposed changes that are analyzed in the Draft EIR include: 1) increase of the in-channel material removal limit from 210,000 tons to 690,800 tons annually; 2) identification of an additional 1,188 acres within the planning area to be rezoned to add the Sand and Gravel Reserve Overlay (SGRO) zone, which allows for future possible aggregate mining; and 3) extension of the plan horizon year to 2068.

The proposed CCAP Update will require the following actions by the County:

- Certification of the EIR including a Resolution adopting findings of fact and taking other actions required under CEQA.
- Approval of the CCAP Update.
- Approval of a Resolution(s) amending the 2030 Countywide General Plan to recognize the changes to the CCAP including amendments to the OCMP, CCRMP, and CCIP.
- Approval of an Ordinance(s) modifying the In-Channel Maintenance Mining Ordinance, Off-Channel Surface Mining Ordinance, Surface Mining Reclamation Ordinance, Gravel Mining Fee Ordinance, and Flood Protection Ordinance to incorporate the CCAP Update changes.
- Approval of an Ordinance amending the zoning for 1,188 acres to add the SGRO zone.
- Approval of amendments to the County's Williamson Act Guidelines to align them with the CCAP.

Ongoing in-channel and off-channel activities may involve approvals from other agencies as well, including, but not limited to: Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The County and its consultant, Baseline Environmental Consulting, have prepared a Responses to Comments (RTC) document that responds to comments received on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) and the proposed CCAP Update during the public comment period. The RTC document and the DEIR together comprise the Final EIR (FEIR) for the project. The **Responses to Comments document is now available for public review** and can be accessed at the following website: <https://www.yolocounty.org/general-government/general-government-departments/county-administrator/county-administrator-divisions/natural-resources/cache-creek-area-plan-ccap/cache-creek-area-plan-20-year-update>

Printed copies may be reviewed at the Yolo County Planning Division at 292 West Beamer Street, Woodland, CA 95695 and at the Yolo County Natural Resources Division at 625 Court Street, Room 202, Woodland, CA 95695. Electronic copies of the document are available free of charge at the Yolo County Natural Resources Division at 625 Court Street, Room 202, Woodland, CA 95695. Printed copies of the document can be ordered for a fee to cover the cost of printing – please make prior arrangements with the Yolo County Natural Resources Division (see contact information below) if you wish to order a printed copy. A printed copy of the document is also available for public review at the Woodland Public Library at 250 First Street, Woodland, CA 95695.

Please contact Casey Liebler, Natural Resources Program Coordinator, Yolo County Administrator's Office, at [NaturalResources@yolocounty.org](mailto:NaturalResources@yolocounty.org) or (530) 666-8150 should you have any questions about the project or how to access project documents.

**A public hearing will be held on September 12, 2019 before the Planning Commission** at 8:30 am at the Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chambers on the second floor at 625 Court Street, Woodland, CA 95695 to receive public comments on the project and make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors regarding certification of the FEIR and approval of the CCAP Update.

**A public hearing will be held October 8, 2019 before the Board of Supervisors** at 9:00 am at the Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chambers on the second floor at 625 Court Street, Woodland, CA 95695 to receive public comments on the project and take a final action to certify the FEIR and approve the CCAP Update.

There will be no transcription of oral comments at these hearings. Those who wish to have their verbatim comments incorporated into the record must submit their comments in writing a minimum of 48 hours in advance of the start of the meeting/hearing.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a disabled person and you need a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in these hearings, please contact Clerk of the Board at (530) 666-8195. Please make your request as early as possible and at least one-full business day before the start of the meeting.

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b)(2) and other provisions of law, any lawsuit challenging the approval of a project described in this notice shall be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing or described in written correspondence delivered for consideration before the hearing is closed.