



**DATE:** March 7, 2023  
**TO:** California State Clearinghouse  
Responsible and Trustee Agencies  
Interested Parties and Organizations  
**SUBJECT:** Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report for Livermore General Plan 2045  
**REVIEW PERIOD:** March 7, 2023 to April 5, 2023

Notice is hereby given that the City of Livermore (City) will prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed Livermore General Plan 2045, also known as Imagine Livermore 2045 (proposed project). Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15206, the proposed project is considered a project of statewide, regional, or areawide significance. The City, acting as the lead agency, will prepare an EIR to address the potential environmental impacts associated with the project at a programmatic level, consistent with CEQA Guidelines Section 15168. The program-level EIR will evaluate the environmental impacts associated with the broad policies of the proposed General Plan 2045 and the likely type and amount of development allowed within the General Plan horizon of 2045. The EIR will not evaluate future site-specific development projects that are consistent with the proposed General Plan 2045. An evaluation of project alternatives that could reduce significant impacts will be included in the EIR. The proposed project, its location, and potential environmental effects are described below, and additional information on the Livermore General Plan 2045 is available at <https://imagineLivermore2045.org/>.

**Project Location:** Livermore is situated in the Livermore Valley, in eastern Alameda County, approximately 40 miles southeast of San Francisco. Interstate 580 and State Route 84 provide regional access to the city. Please see the *Livermore Regional and Vicinity Map* attached to this Notice of Preparation (NOP).

**Project Summary:** The City of Livermore is preparing a comprehensive update to its existing General Plan. The update will guide the City's development and conservation through 2045. State law requires that the General Plan contain eight elements: Land Use, Circulation, Housing, Open Space, Noise, Safety, Conservation, and Environmental Justice. The overall purpose of the proposed General Plan 2045 is to create a policy framework that articulates a vision for the General Plan planning area in 2045. The key components of the proposed project will include broad community goals for the future of Livermore and specific policies and implementing actions that will help meet the goals. The proposed General Plan 2045 will add new and expanded policy topics to address the current requirements of State law, modernize the City's policy framework, and update the General Plan land use map to plan for future services, jobs, parks, and housing and to address land use mapping issues and inconsistencies. To achieve the proposed General Plan 2045 vision, the City will analyze land use alternatives and will prepare a refined preferred land use scenario that is developed through an extensive public process. Details of the public process and alternatives will be available on the project website for the proposed General Plan 2045 at <https://imagineLivermore2045.org/>. General Plan land use changes supporting additional development capacity will occur primarily in select focus areas.

**Probable Environmental Effects of the Project:** The EIR for the proposed project will address the range of impacts that could result from the proposed project. The following environmental topics will be examined in the EIR: aesthetics, agricultural and forestry resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural and tribal cultural resources, energy, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use and planning, mineral resources, noise, population and housing, public services, parks, and recreation, transportation, utilities and system services, and wildfire.

**Contact Information:** For more information regarding the proposed project, please refer to the following detailed project description or contact Andy Ross, Economic Development Manager, at (925) 960-4475 or [aaross@LivermoreCA.gov](mailto:aaross@LivermoreCA.gov). A copy of the NOP is available for review at the City of Livermore Community Development Department or on the City of Livermore website: <https://www.livermoreca.gov/departments/community-development/planning/environmental-documents>

**NOP Comment Period:** Written comments should be submitted at the earliest possible date, but not later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, to Andy Ross, Economic Development Manager, City of Livermore Innovation and Economic Development Department, 1052 South Livermore Avenue, Livermore, CA 94550, (925) 960-4475, or [aaross@LivermoreCA.gov](mailto:aaross@LivermoreCA.gov). Please include “*Livermore General Plan 2045 EIR*” as the subject. Public agencies providing comments are asked to include a contact person for the agency.

**NOP Scoping Meeting:** In addition to the opportunity to submit written comments, a NOP scoping meeting will be held to inform interested parties about the proposed project, and to provide agencies and the public with an opportunity to provide comments on the scope and content of the EIR. Further information on the date and time of the scoping meeting is provided below.

**EIR Scoping Meeting on the Livermore General Plan 2045**

Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 7:00 pm

Meeting Location:

**Planning Commission**

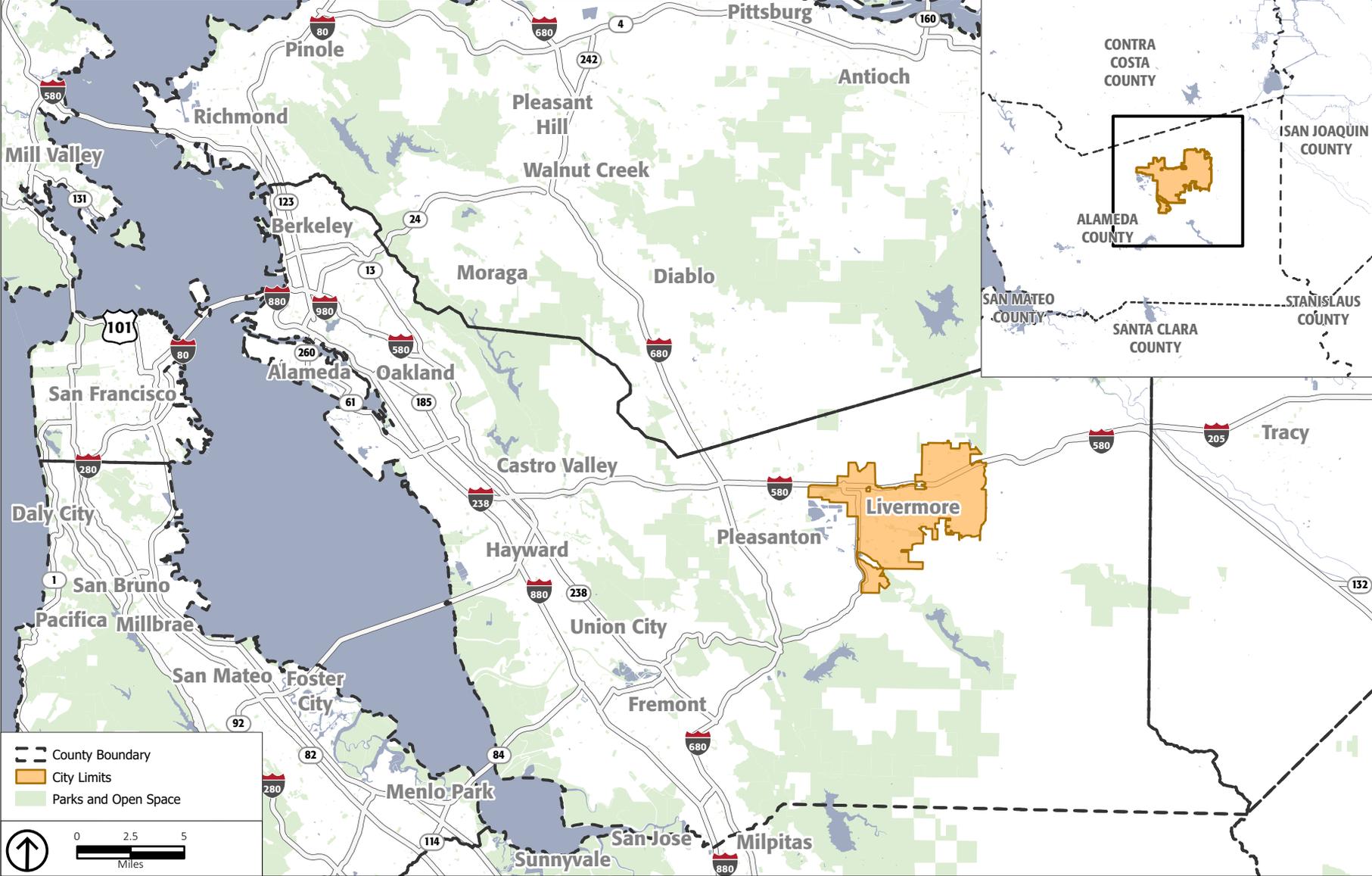
Civic Center Meeting Hall, City Council Chambers

1016 S. Livermore Avenue

Livermore, CA 94550

No action by the Planning Commission is required for this item

NOTICE OF PREPARATION



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