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Mr. Mark Wardlaw, Director
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Dear Mr. Wardlaw:

RE: Review of County of San Diego's 5th (2013-2021) Draft Housing Element Update

Thank you for submitting the County of San Diego's draft housing element update received for review on January 22, 2013, along with additional revisions received on March 9 and 11, 2013. Pursuant to Government Code (GC) Section 65585(b), the Department is reporting the results of its review.

The draft element meets statutory requirements of State housing element law. This finding was based on, among other things, identification of adequate sites to accommodate the County's regional housing needs allocation for lower-income households. For your information, sites allowing densities of 24 units per acre were demonstrated appropriate to accommodate the housing need for lower-income households. As a result, the element will comply with State housing element law (Article 10.6 of the Government Code) when it is adopted and submitted to the Department, pursuant to GC Section 65585(g).

For your information, pursuant to GC Section 65588(e)(2)(B) a local government in the SANDAG region that did not adopt a fourth planning period housing element by January 1, 2009 shall revise its housing element every four years, unless the local government met both of the following conditions: 1) adopted the fourth revision no later than March 31, 2010; and 2) completes any rezoning identified in the fourth revision by June 30, 2010. The County did not meet the requirements of GC 65588(e)(2)(B); therefore, it is subject to the four year revision requirement.

The Department appreciates the hard work and dedication of Ms. Dixie Switzer and Mr. Robert Citrano of the County's Planning and Development Services Department in preparing the housing element and looks forward to receiving San Diego County's adopted housing element. If you have any questions or need additional technical assistance, please contact Robin Huntley, of our staff, at (916) 323-3175.

Sincerely,

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