

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BUTTE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BUTTE COUNTY GENERAL PLAN 2040 UPDATE, UPPER RIDGE COMMUNITY PLAN
AND FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Butte County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on **March 28, 2023 at 9:15 am** regarding the Certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), adoption of Butte County General Plan 2040 with recommended revisions, Findings of Facts and Statements of Overriding Consideration, approval of the General Plan 2040 Action Plan, and adoption of the Upper Ridge Community Plan. This hearing will be open to the public and held in the Board of Supervisors Chambers at 25 County Center Drive, Oroville, CA 95965. At a public hearing held on March 9, 2023, the Butte County Planning Commission recommended certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), adoption of Butte County General Plan 2040, approval of the General Plan 2040 Action Plan, and adoption of the Upper Ridge Community Plan.

Public comment will be accepted in-person at the meeting or may be submitted prior to the meeting. Use the following information to remotely view the Board of Supervisors meeting, including the Public Hearing portions online (pursuant to recent changes to the Brown Act Teleconferencing Rules, no online public comments will be taken):

Link: [Board-of-Supervisors Virtual Meeting](#)

Members of the public are encouraged to review this project and submit public comments in the following ways: U.S. Mail to 25 County Center Drive, Suite 200, ATTN: Clerk of the Board, Oroville, California 96956; voicemail at (530) 552.3303, or by email to: ClerkoftheBoard@ButteCounty.net.

At this hearing, County staff and consultants will provide a presentation of the General Plan 2040 Update. The General Plan 2040 Update outlines the County's goals for physical growth, conservation, and community life, and contains policies and actions to guide the County in reaching those goals. The General Plan 2040 Update is updating six Elements of the General Plan: Health & Safety (including the Noise Element), Housing, Land Use, Circulation, Water Resources, and including a new Environmental Justice Element. The Housing Element was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on January 24, 2023, and later certified by the State Department of Community Development. Other Elements of the current General Plan are revised to ensure consistency with the updated elements such as Area and Neighborhood Plans, Agriculture, Conservation and Open Space, Economic Development, and Public Facilities and Services. The General Plan 2040 Update also incorporates the Upper Ridge Community Plan, which includes projects and strategies for the Upper Ridge Community Plan Area, including the redesignation of 28 parcels from Retail and Office to Mixed-Use.

A Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) was prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to analyze the potential environmental impacts associated with the Butte County General Plan 2040 Update and Upper Ridge Community Plan. The DEIR was made available for a 45-day public review period from January 6, 2023 to February 21, 2023.

After receiving public comments, a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) was prepared for certification by the Board of Supervisors.

The above-mentioned project is on file and available for public viewing online at <https://www.buttecounty.net/367/General-Plan-2040-Update>. If you challenge the above project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the Board of Supervisors at, or prior to the public hearing. For further information, contact Principal Planner Mark Michelena, Butte County Development Services Department, Planning Division at 530.552.3683 or mmichelena@buttecounty.net.