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Amy S. Nilsen, County Administrative Officer
County of Humboldt
825 5th St.
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Dear Amy S. Nilsen:

RE: Humboldt County's 6th Cycle (2019-2027) Adopted Housing Element

Thank you for submitting the County of Humboldt's Housing Element adopted August 20, 2019 and received for review on August 27, 2019. Pursuant to Government Code section 65585, subdivision (h), the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is reporting the results of its review.

HCD is pleased to find the adopted Housing Element in full compliance with state Housing Element law (Article 10.6 of the Government Code). The adopted element was found to be substantially the same as the revised draft element HCD's August 2, 2019 review determined met statutory requirements.

Several federal, state, and regional funding programs consider Housing Element compliance as an eligibility or ranking criteria. For example, CalTrans Senate Bill (SB) 1 Sustainable Communities grants; the Strategic Growth Council and HCD's Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities program; and the SB 2 Planning Grants as well as ongoing SB 2 funding consider Housing Element compliance and/or annual reporting requirements pursuant to Gov. Code section 65400. With Housing Element compliance, Humboldt County meets the Housing Element requirements for these funding sources.

HCD appreciates the cooperation Michael Richardson, Supervising Planner and Michelle Nielsen, Senior Planner provided throughout the course of the Housing Element review. HCD wishes the County of Humboldt success in implementing its Housing Element and looks forward to following its progress through the General Plan annual progress reports pursuant to Gov. Code section 65400. If HCD can provide assistance in implementing the Housing Element, please contact Fidel Herrera, of our staff, at (916) 263-7441.

Sincerely,

Shannan West
Land Use & Planning Manager