

Resolution No.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BUTTE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CERTIFYING THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR BUTTE
COUNTY GENERAL PLAN 2030**

WHEREAS, the Butte County General Plan 2030 (GP 2030) Update process was initiated by action of the Board of Supervisors, including the adoption of Resolution 06-085 on May 23, 2006, which created the Butte County General Plan Citizens Advisory Committee and set in motion a process of holding public workshops and meetings regarding the County's GP 2030 Update; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors held public meetings to consider the GP 2030 Update on May 8 and July 11, 2007; February 26, July 22, July 29, and July 30, 2008; February 18, February 19, April 14, May 29, August 25, and December 8, 2009; January 19, January 21, April 13, July 27, August 24, September 14 and September 29, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held public meetings to consider the GP 2030 Update on April 13, September 28, and October 11, 2007; May 9, May 30, June 13, July 22, November 7, November 14, and December 11, 2008; January 19, January 21, 2010, and September 9, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) (State Clearinghouse Number 2008092062) was distributed on April 8, 2010 to members of the Planning Commission, Board of Supervisors, state and local agencies and special districts, property owners and others requesting copies of the DEIR, and other interested groups and individuals. The DEIR and Notice of Completion (NOC) were provided to the State Clearinghouse for distribution to state agencies. The notice of public hearing was published in five local newspapers of general circulation to begin a 60-day public review and comment period from April 8, 2010 to June 7, 2010, on the adequacy of the DEIR; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the release of the DEIR for the GP 2030 Update the Planning Commission met on April 22, 2010, and received public comment on the DEIR, in accordance with Butte County Environmental Review Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, on August 30, 2010, a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) was released for the public's review. The FEIR included responses to all comments received on the

DEIR, including comments provided at the April 22, 2010, Planning Commission meeting, revisions to the DEIR, and a mitigation and monitoring reporting program; and

WHEREAS, on September 9, 2010, the Butte County Planning Commission conducted a public hearing concerning the FEIR; and

WHEREAS, on September 9, 2010 the Planning Commission, under Resolution No. 10-24, unanimously recommended that the Board of Supervisors certify the FEIR; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered in light of public comments and testimony the information in the FEIR and staff reports for adequacy, completeness and compliance with CEQA, and the State CEQA Guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby certifies the FEIR for the following reasons:

1. Notice of the Board of Supervisors hearings on the GP 2030 environmental review documents was given as required by law and the actions were conducted in accordance with CEQA, and the State CEQA Guidelines.
2. All individuals, groups and agencies desiring to comment were given adequate opportunity to submit oral and written comments on the environmental review documents. The opportunities for comment meet or exceed the requirements of CEQA.
3. All comments submitted during the public review and comment period on the DEIR were responded to adequately.
4. The Board of Supervisors was presented with all of the information described in the recitals and has considered this information in adopting this resolution.
5. The FEIR (a) has been completed in compliance with the intent and requirements of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, (b) reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the County of Butte, which is the lead agency, and (c) has been presented to and reviewed and considered by the Board of Supervisors in its deliberations regarding the adoption of the GP 2030 Update.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 26th day of October 2010, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Bill Connelly, Chairman

Butte County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
Paul Hahn, Chief Administrative Officer
and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Deputy