## **Prohousing Designation Program Application**



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## Prohousing Designation Program Application Package Instructions

The applicant is applying for a Prohousing Designation under the Prohousing Designation Program ("**Prohousing**" or "**Program**"), which is administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development ("**Department**") pursuant to Government Code section 65589.9.

The Program creates incentives for Jurisdictions that are compliant with State Housing Element Law and that have enacted Prohousing Policies. These incentives will take the form of additional points or other preference in the scoring of applications for competitive housing and infrastructure programs. The administrators of each such program will determine the value and form of the preference.

In order to be considered for a Prohousing Designation, the applicant must accurately complete all sections of this application, including any relevant appendices. The Department reserves the right to request additional clarifying information from the applicant.

This application is subject to Government Code section 65589.9 and to the regulations (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 25, § 6600 et seq.) adopted by the Department in promulgation thereof ("**Regulations**"). All capitalized terms in this application shall have the meanings set forth in the Regulations.

All applicants must submit a complete, signed application package to the Department, in electronic format, in order to be considered for a Prohousing Designation. Please direct electronic copies of the completed application package to the following email address: <a href="mailto:ProhousingPolicies@hcd.ca.gov">ProhousingPolicies@hcd.ca.gov</a>.

A complete application will include all items identified in the Application Checklist.

In relation to **Appendix 1**, the Formal Resolution for the Prohousing Designation Program, please use strikethrough and <u>underline</u> if proposing any modifications to the text of the Resolution. Please be aware, any sustentative deviations from the Formal Resolution may result in an incomplete application and will likely be subject to additional internal review and potential delays.

**Appendix 2**, the Proposed Policy Completion Schedule, applies only if an application includes proposed policies.

**Appendix 3**, Project Proposal Scoring Sheet and Sample Project Proposal Scoring Sheet, includes a blank template to be completed by the applicant as part of the application, as well as a Sample Project Proposal Scoring Sheet with an example of how this template may be completed.

**Appendix 4** lists examples of Prohousing Policies with enhancement factors to aid applicants in understanding how enhancement factors may be applied.

**Appendix 5** is where the applicant will include any additional information and supporting documentation for the application.

If you have questions regarding this application or the Program, or if you require technical assistance in preparing this application, please email <a href="mailto:ProhousingPolicies@hcd.ca.gov">ProhousingPolicies@hcd.ca.gov</a>.

### **Application Checklist**

	Yes	No
Application Information	$\boxtimes$	
Certification and Acknowledgement		
The Legislative Information form is completed.	$\boxtimes$	
The Threshold Requirements Checklist is completed.	$\boxtimes$	
A duly adopted and certified Formal Resolution for the Prohousing	$\boxtimes$	
Designation Program is included in the application package. (See <b>Appendix 1</b> for the Formal Resolution for the Prohousing Designation Program form.)		
If applicable, the Proposed Policy Completion Schedule is completed. (See <b>Appendix 2</b> .)		
The Project Proposal Scoring Sheet is completed. (See <b>Appendix 3</b> for the Project Proposal Scoring Sheet and the Sample Project Proposal Scoring Sheet.)	$\boxtimes$	
Additional information and supporting documentation (Applicant to provide as <b>Appendix 5</b> )		

### **Application Information**

Applicant (Jurisdiction):	County of Tuolumne
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Proposed Total Score (Based on	49
Appendix 3):	

#### CERTIFICATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

As authorized by the Formal Resolution for the Prohousing Designation Program (Resolution No. 65-24), which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as if set forth in full, I hereby submit this full and complete application on behalf of the applicant.

I certify that all information and representations set forth in this application are true and correct.

I further certify that any proposed Prohousing Policy identified herein will be enacted within two (2) years of the date of this application submittal.

I acknowledge that this application constitutes a public record under the California Public Records Act (Gov. Code, § 6250 et seq.) and is therefore subject to public disclosure by the Department.

Signature:	
Name and Title:Quincy Yaley, Director	
Date:	

#### **Legislative Information**

District	Number	Legislators Name(s)
State Assembly District	8	Jim Patterson
State Senate District	4	Marie Alvarado-Gil

Applicants can find their respective State Senate representatives at <a href="https://www.senate.ca.gov/">https://www.senate.ca.gov/</a>, and their respective State Assembly representatives at <a href="https://www.assembly.ca.gov/">https://www.assembly.ca.gov/</a>

### **Threshold Requirements Checklist**

The applicant meets the following threshold requirements in accordance with Section 6604 of the Regulations:

	Yes	No
The applicant is a Jurisdiction.	$\boxtimes$	
The applicant has adopted a Compliant Housing Element.	$\boxtimes$	
The applicant has submitted or will submit a legally sufficient Annual Progress Report prior to designation.		
The applicant has completed or agrees to complete, on or before the relevant statutory deadlines, any rezone program or zoning that is necessary to remain in compliance with Government Code sections 65583, subdivision (c)(1), and 65584.09, subdivision (a), and with California Coastal Commission certification where appropriate.		
The applicant is in compliance, at the time of the application, with applicable state housing law, including, but not limited to those included in Government Section 65585, subdivision (j); laws relating to the imposition of school facilities fees or other requirements (Gov. Code, § 65995 et seq.); Least Cost Zoning Law (Gov. Code, § 65913.1); Permit Streamlining Act (Gov. Code, § 65920 et seq.); and provisions relating to timeliness of CEQA processing by local governments in Public Resources Code sections 21080.1, 21080.2, and 21151.5(a).		
The applicant further acknowledges and confirms that its treatment of homeless encampments on public property complies with and will continue to comply with the constitutional rights of persons experiencing homelessness and that it has submitted a one-page summary to the Department demonstrating how the applicant has enacted best practices in their jurisdiction related to the treatment of unhoused individuals camping on public property, consistent with United States Interagency Council on Homelessness' "7 Principles for Addressing Encampments," (June 17, 2022 update), hereby incorporated by reference.		
The applicant has duly adopted and certified, by the applicant's governing body, a Formal Resolution for the Prohousing Designation Program, which is hereby incorporated by reference. (A true and correct copy of the resolution is included in this application package.)		
The applicant demonstrates that they engaged in a diligent public participation process that included outreach to engage all segments of the community and submit documentation of comments received during this process.		

# Project Proposal Category 1: Favorable Zoning and Land Use

Category	Prohousing Policy Description	Points
1A	Sufficient sites, including rezoning, to accommodate 150 percent or greater of the current or draft RHNA, whichever is greater, by total and income category. These additional sites must be identified in the Jurisdiction's housing element adequate sites inventory, consistent with Government Code section 65583, subdivisions (a)(3) and (c)(1).	3
1B	Permitting missing middle housing uses (e.g., duplexes, triplexes, and fourplexes) by right in existing low-density, single-family residential zones in a manner that exceeds the requirements of SB 9 (Chapter 162, Statutes of 2021, Gov. Code, §§ 65852.21, 66411.7).	3
1C	Sufficient sites, including rezoning, to accommodate 125 to 149 percent of the current or draft RHNA, whichever is greater, by total and income category. These points shall not be awarded if the applicant earns three points pursuant to Category (1)(A) above. These additional sites must be identified in the Jurisdiction's housing element adequate sites inventory, consistent with Government Code section 65583, subdivisions (a)(3) and (c)(1).	2
1D	Density bonus programs that allow additional density for additional affordability beyond minimum statutory requirements (Gov. Code, § 65915 et seq.).	2
1E	Increasing allowable density in low-density, single-family residential areas beyond the requirements of state Accessory Dwelling Unit Law, (Gov. Code, §§ 65852.2, 65852.22) (e.g., permitting more than one converted ADU; one detached, new construction ADU; and one JADU per single-family lot), and in a manner that exceeds the requirements of SB 9 (Chapter 192, Statutes of 2021, Gov. Code, §§ 65852.21, 66411.7). These policies shall be separate from any qualifying policies under Category (1)(B).	2
1F	Eliminating minimum parking requirements for residential development as authorized by Government Code section 65852.2; adopting vehicular parking ratios that are less than the relevant ratio thresholds at subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) of Gov. Code section 65915, subdivision (p)(1); or adopting maximum parking requirements at or less than ratios pursuant to Gov. Code section 65915, subdivision (p).	2
1G	Zoning or incentives that are designed to increase affordable housing development in a range of types, including, but not limited to, large family units, Supportive Housing, housing for transition age foster youth, and deep affordability targeted for Extremely Low-Income Households in all parts of the Jurisdiction, with at least some of the zoning, other land use designation methods, or incentives being designed to increase affordable housing development in higher resource areas shown in the TCAC/HCD Opportunity Map, and with the Jurisdiction having confirmed that it considered and addressed potential environmental justice issues in adopting and implementing	2

	this policy, especially in areas with existing industrial and polluting uses.	
1H	Zoning or other land use designation methods to allow for residential or mixed uses in one or more non-residential zones (e.g., commercial, light industrial). Qualifying non-residential zones do not include open space or substantially similar zones.	1
11	Modification of development standards and other applicable zoning provisions or land use designation methods to promote greater development intensity. Potential areas of focus include floor area ratio, height limits, minimum lot or unit sizes, setbacks, and allowable dwelling units per acre. These policies must be separate from any qualifying policies under Category (1)(B) above.	1
1J	Establishment of a Workforce Housing Opportunity Zone, as defined in Government Code section 65620, or a Housing Sustainability District, as defined in Government Code section 66200.	1
1K	Establishment of an inclusionary housing program requiring new developments to include housing affordable to and reserved for low-and very low-income households, consistent with the requirements of AB 1505 (Chapter 376, Statutes of 2017, Gov. Code, § 65850.01).	1
1L	Other zoning and land use actions not described in Categories (A)-(K) of this section that measurably support the Acceleration of Housing Production.	1

# Project Proposal Category 2: Acceleration of Housing Production Timeframes

Category	Prohousing Policy Description	Points
2A	Establishment of ministerial approval processes for multiple housing types, including, for example, single-family, multifamily and mixed-use housing.	3
2B	Acceleration of Housing Production through the establishment of streamlined, program-level CEQA analysis and certification of general plans, community plans, specific plans with accompanying Environmental Impact Reports (EIR), and related documents.	2
2C	Documented practice of streamlining housing development at the project level, such as by enabling a by-right approval process or by utilizing statutory and categorical exemptions as authorized by applicable law, (e.g., Pub. Resources Code, §§ 21155.1, 21155.4, 21159.24, 21159.25; Gov. Code, § 65457; Cal Code Regs., tit. 14, §§ 15303, 15332; Pub. Resources Code, §§ 21094.5, 21099, 21155.2, 21159.28).	2
2D	Establishment of permitting processes that take less than four months to complete. Policies under this category must address all approvals necessary to issue building permits.	2
2E	Absence or elimination of public hearings for projects consistent with zoning and the general plan.	2
2F	Priority permit processing or reduced plan check times for homes affordable to Lower-Income Households.	1
2G	Establishment of consolidated or streamlined permit processes that minimize the levels of review and approval required for projects, and that are consistent with zoning regulations and the general plan.	1
2H	Absence, elimination, or replacement of subjective development and design standards with objective development and design standards that simplify zoning clearance and improve approval certainty and timing.	1
21	Establishment of one-stop-shop permitting processes or a single point of contact where entitlements are coordinated across city approval functions (e.g., planning, public works, building) from entitlement application to certificate of occupancy.	1
2J	Priority permit processing or reduced plan check times for ADUs/JADUs or multifamily housing.	1
2K	Establishment of a standardized application form for all entitlement applications.	1
2L	Documented practice of publicly posting status updates on project permit approvals on the internet.	1
2M	Limitation on the total number of hearings for any project to three or fewer. Applicants that accrue points pursuant to category (2)(E) are not eligible for points under this category.	1
2N	Other policies not described in Categories (2)(A)-(M) of this section that quantifiably decrease production timeframes or promote the streamlining of approval processes.	1

# Project Proposal Category 3: Reduction of Construction and Development Costs

Category	Prohousing Policy Description	Points
3A	Waiver or significant reduction of development impact fees for residential development with units affordable to Lower-Income Households. This provision does not include fees associated with the provision of housing affordable to Lower-Income Households (e.g., inclusionary in lieu fees, affordable housing impact fees, and commercial linkage fees).	3
3B	Adoption of policies that result in less restrictive requirements than Government Code sections 65852.2 and 65852.22 to reduce barriers for property owners to create ADUs/JADUs. Examples of qualifying policies include, but are not limited to, development standards improvements, permit processing improvements, dedicated ADU/JADU staff, technical assistance programs, and pre-approved ADU/JADU design packages.	2
3C	Adoption of other fee reduction strategies separate from Category (3)(A), including fee deferrals and reduced fees for housing for persons with special needs. This provision does not include fees associated with the provision of housing affordable to Lower-Income Households (e.g., inclusionary in lieu fees, affordable impact fees and commercial linkage fees).	1
3D	Accelerating innovative housing production through innovative housing types (e.g., manufactured homes, recreational vehicles, park models, community ownership, and other forms of social housing) that reduce development costs.	1
3E	Measures that reduce costs for transportation-related infrastructure or programs that encourage active modes of transportation or other alternatives to automobiles. Qualifying policies include, but are not limited to, publicly funded programs to expand sidewalks or protect bike/micro-mobility lanes, creation of on-street parking for bikes, transit-related improvements, or establishment of carshare programs.	1
3F	Adoption of universal design ordinances pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 17959.	1
3G	Establishment of pre-approved or prototype plans for missing middle housing types (e.g., duplexes, triplexes, and fourplexes) in low-density, single-family residential areas.	1
3H	Adoption of ordinances that reduce barriers, beyond existing law, for the development of housing affordable to Lower-Income Households.	1
31	Other policies not described in Categories (3)(A)-(H) of this section that quantifiably reduce construction or development costs.	1

# Project Proposal Category 4: Providing Financial Subsidies

Category	Prohousing Policy Description	Points
4A	Establishment of a housing fund or contribution of funds towards affordable housing through proceeds from approved ballot measures.	2
4B	Establishment of local housing trust funds or collaboration on a regional housing trust fund, which include the Jurisdiction's own funding contributions. The Jurisdiction must contribute to the local or regional housing trust fund regularly and significantly. For the purposes of this Category, "regularly" shall be defined as at least annually, and "significant" contributions shall be determined based on the impact the contributions have in accelerating the production of affordable housing.	2
4C	Demonstration of regular use or planned regular use of funding (e.g., federal, state, or local) for preserving assisted units at-risk of conversion to market rate uses and conversion of market rate uses to units with affordability restrictions (e.g., acquisition/rehabilitation). For the purposes of this category, "regular use" can be demonstrated through the number of units preserved annually by utilizing this funding source.	2
4D	Provide grants or low-interest loans for ADU/JADU construction affordable to Lower- and Moderate-Income Households.	2
4E	A comprehensive program that complies with the Surplus Land Act (Gov. Code, § 54220 et seq.) and that makes publicly owned land available for affordable housing, or for multifamily housing projects with the highest feasible percentage of units affordable to Lower Income Households. A qualifying program may utilize mechanisms such as land donations, land sales with significant write-downs, or below-market land leases.	2
4F	Establishment of an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District or similar local financing tool that, to the extent feasible, directly supports housing developments in an area where at least 20 percent of the residences will be affordable to Lower-Income Households.	2
4G	Prioritization of local general funds to accelerate the production of housing affordable to Lower-Income Households.	2
4H	Directed residual redevelopment funds to accelerate the production of affordable housing.	1
41	Development and regular (at least biennial) use of a housing subsidy pool, local or regional trust fund, or other similar funding source sufficient to facilitate and support the development of housing affordable to Lower-Income Households.	1

4J	Prioritization of local general funds for affordable housing. This point shall not be awarded if the applicant earns two points pursuant to Category (4)(G).	1
4K	Providing operating subsidies for permanent Supportive Housing.	1
4L	Providing subsidies for housing affordable to Extremely Low-Income Households.	1
4M	Other policies not described in Categories (4)(A)-(L) of this section that quantifiably promote, develop, or leverage financial resources for housing affordable to Lower-Income Households.	1

## Project Proposal Enhancement Factors

The Department shall utilize enhancement factors to increase the point scores of Prohousing Policies. An individual Prohousing Policy may not use more than one enhancement factor. Each Prohousing Policy will receive extra points for enhancement factors in accordance with the chart below.

Category	Prohousing Policy Description	Points
1	The policy represents one element of a unified, multi-faceted strategy to promote multiple planning objectives, such as efficient land use, access to public transportation, housing affordable to Lower-Income Households, climate change solutions, and/or hazard mitigation.	2
2	Policies that promote development consistent with the state planning priorities pursuant to Government Code section 65041.1.	1
3	Policies that diversify planning and target community and economic development investments (housing and non-housing) toward place-based strategies for community revitalization and equitable quality of life in lower opportunity areas. Such areas include, but are not limited to, Low Resource and High Segregation & Poverty areas designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps, and disadvantaged communities pursuant to Health and Safety Code sections 39711 and 39715 (California Senate Bill 535 (2012).	1
4	Policies that go beyond state law requirements in reducing displacement of Lower-Income Households and conserving existing housing stock that is affordable to Lower-Income Households.	1
5	Rezoning and other policies that support intensification of residential development in Location Efficient Communities.	1
6	Rezoning and other policies that result in a net gain of housing capacity while concurrently mitigating development impacts on or from Environmentally Sensitive or Hazardous Areas.	1
7	Zoning policies, including inclusionary housing policies, that increase housing choices and affordability, particularly for Lower-Income Households, in High Resource and Highest Resource areas, as designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps.	1
8	Other policies that involve meaningful actions towards Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing outside of those required pursuant to Government Code sections 65583, subdivision (c)(10), and 8899.50, including, but not limited to, outreach campaigns, updated zoning codes, and expanded access to financing support.	1

#### **Project Proposal Scoring Sheet Instructions**

The Department shall validate applicants' scores based on the extent to which each identified Prohousing Policy contributes to the Acceleration of Housing Production. The Department shall assess applicants' Prohousing Policies in accordance with statutory requirements and the Regulations.

The Department shall further assess applicants' Prohousing Policies using the following four scoring categories: Favorable Zoning and Land Use, Acceleration of Housing Production Timeframes, Reduction of Construction and Development Costs, and Providing Financial Subsidies. Applicants shall demonstrate that they have enacted or proposed at least one policy that significantly contributes to the Acceleration of Housing Production in each of the four categories. A Prohousing Designation requires a total score of 30 points or more across all four categories.

#### Instructions

Please utilize one row of the Scoring Sheet for each Prohousing Policy.

- Category Number: Select the relevant category number from the relevant Project Proposal list in this application. Where appropriate, applicants may utilize a category number more than once.
- Concise Written Description of Prohousing Policy: Set forth a brief description of the enacted or proposed Prohousing Policy.
- **Enacted or Proposed**: Identify the Prohousing Policy as enacted or proposed. For proposed Prohousing Policies, please complete **Appendix 2: Proposed Policy Completion Schedule**.
- **Documentation Type**: For enacted Prohousing Policies, identify the relevant documentary evidence (e.g., resolution, zoning code provisions). For proposed Prohousing Policies, identify the documentation which shows that implementation of the policy is pending.
- **Web Links/Electronic Copies**: Insert the Web link(s) to the relevant documentation or indicate that electronic copies of the documentation have been attached to this application as **Appendix 5**.
- **Points**: Enter the appropriate number of points using the relevant Project Proposal list in this application.
- Enhancement Category Number (optional): If utilizing an enhancement factor for a particular Prohousing Policy, enter the appropriate category number using the relevant Project Proposal list in this application.
- Enhancement Points (optional): If utilizing an enhancement factor for a particular Prohousing Policy, enter the point(s) for that Prohousing Policy.
- Total Points: Add the enhancement point(s) to the Prohousing Policy's general point score.

#### Appendix 1: Formal Resolution for the Prohousing Designation Program

#### Formal Resolution for the PROHOUSING Designation Program

#### RESOLUTION NO. [INSERT RESOLUTION NUMBER]

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF

THE COUNTY OF TUOLUMNE AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO AND
PARTICIPATION IN THE PROHOUSING DESIGNATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Government Code section 65589.9 established the Prohousing Designation Program ("Program"), which creates incentives for jurisdictions that are compliant with state housing element requirements and that have enacted Prohousing local policies; and

WHEREAS, such jurisdictions will be designated Prohousing, and, as such, will receive additional points or other preference during the scoring of their competitive Applications for specified housing and infrastructure funding; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Housing and Community Development ("Department") has adopted regulations (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 25, § 6600 et seq.) to implement the Program ("**Program Regulations**"), as authorized by Government Code section 65589.9, subdivision (d); and

WHEREAS, the County Of Tuolumne Community Development Department ("Applicant") desires to submit an Application for a Prohousing Designation ("Application").

#### THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to submit an Application to the Department.
- 2. Applicant acknowledges and confirms that it is currently in compliance with applicable state housing law.
- 3. Applicant acknowledges and confirms that it will continue to comply with applicable housing laws and to refrain from enacting laws, developing policies, or taking other local governmental actions that may or do inhibit or constrain housing production. Examples of such local laws, policies, and actions include moratoriums on development; local voter approval requirements related to housing production; downzoning; and unduly restrictive or onerous zoning regulations, development standards, or permit procedures. Applicant further acknowledges and confirms that the Prohousing Policies in its Application comply with its duty to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing pursuant to Government Code sections 8899.50 and 65583. Applicant further acknowledges and confirms that its general plan is in alignment with an adopted sustainable communities strategy pursuant to Public Resources Code sections 21155-21155.4. Applicant further acknowledges and confirms that its policies for the treatment of homeless encampments on public property comply do and will continue to comply with the Constitution and that it has enacted best practices in its jurisdiction

that are consistent with the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness' "7 Principles for Addressing Encampments" (June 17, 2022, update).

- 4. If the Application is approved, Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to enter into, execute, and deliver all documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to participate in the Program, and all amendments thereto (the "Program Documents").
- 5. Applicant acknowledges and agrees that it shall be subject to the Application, the terms and conditions specified in the Program Documents, the Program Regulations, and any and all other applicable law.

The County of Tuolumne Community Development Department Director is authorized to execute and deliver the Application and the Program Documents on behalf of the Applicant for participation in the Program.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this day of

, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: [Insert #] NOES: [Insert #] ABSENT: [Insert #] ABSTAIN: [Insert #]

The undersigned, [INSERT NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNATORY] of Applicant, does hereby attest and certify that the foregoing is a true and full copy of a resolution of the Applicant's governing body adopted at a duly convened meeting on the date above-mentioned, and that the resolution has not been altered, amended, or repealed.

SIGNATURE:	DATE:
JAME:	TITLE:

## Appendix 2: Proposed Policy Completion Schedule

Category Number	Concise Written Description of Proposed Policy	Key Milestones and Milestone Dates	Anticipated Completion Date	Notes
2B	Acceleration of housing production through the establishment of a Specific Plan and Master Environmental Impact Report	1/25 – project kickoff with public participation and stakeholder engagement 3/25 – Identified boundaries and goals of Specific Plans, begin EIR 8/25 – Public draft available for review and comment 1/26 – Adoption of a Plan for at least one community by BOS	12/2025	
2J	5-day plan check time for ADU application	11/1/24 – began priority processing of ADU application with goal of 5 days for first comments   1/1/24 – data collection and ongoing process improvement to ensure consistency of 5-day timeline   Continue to collect data   7/1/25 – meet 5-day plan check time for at least 90% of ADU applications	7/1/25	This policy is currently enacted. It is included as proposed to provide time to gather baseline data and improve process to achieve 5-day plan check for at least 90% of ADU applications. The proposed program will be complete when the 90% threshold is reached and maintained for at least 6 months (by 7/1/2025). Outcomes include 15 ADUs permitted in the 2024 calendar year and 20 ADUs permitted in the 2025 calendar year.
2L	Public posting of status updates on project permit approvals on the internet including number of applications received, average processing time, current processing times, and number of approvals.	1/1/24-ongoing - data collection 4/1/24 - identification of data for posting 1/25 - public posting of data, 4 metrics reported 1/26 – increase to 6 metrics reported	1/2026	Baseline data is currently being collected. County is working with OpenGov to build the dashboard and reporting tools.
31	Pre-approved duplex plans at a variety of sizes available at no cost to the applicant (reduces cost and time)	.1/25 – identify funding source	1/2026	County is researching best practices, talking with

		6/25 – execute contract with vendor 12/25 – launch program with at least 3 pre-approved plans		vendors, and working with local stakeholders to design program appropriate for local conditions.
1L	Establish public-private partnerships to develop seasonal employee housing in high-demand visitor corridors.	2/24 – Begin quarterly meetings with lawmakers, utility providers, employers and county staff 12/24 – identify sites for further consideration, work with stakeholders By 1/26 – establish partnership and execute agreement	1/2026	Anticipated outcome of two entitled projects that will house a minimum of 50 seasonal employees between two locations. County is currently working to identify available land, funding sources, and financing tools.
11	Modification of zoning code and site and design standards to promote greater development intensity by reducing minimum lot size, reducing FAR, reducing minimum site area and further incentivizing clustered development by increasing density bonuses – Adoption of Small-Lot Subdivision Ordinance	10/ 24 – BOS to consider adoption of ordinance code. Adoption anticipated by January 2025	1/2025	BOS scheduled to consider adoption in October 2024.
3D	Accelerating innovative housing production through promotion of manufactured and modular housing through priority permit processing	Currently testing process and measuring time frames	1/25	Policy is currently being implemented informally to identify potential challenges or unintended impacts to permit processing or other workflows. No anticipated obstacle to implement in the next 6 months.
3B	Adoption of policies that result in less restrictive requirements than Government Code sections 65852.2 and 65852.22 to reduce barriers for property owners to create ADUs/JADUs.	1/25 – identify funding source 6/25 – execute contract with vendor 12/25 – launch program with at least 3 preapproved ADU/ Single-family home plans	1/ 2026	This program will be implemented concurrently with 3I. The County has already begun the process by meeting with potential vendors and working with stakeholders to design a successful program.

Appendix 3: Project Proposal Scoring Sheet and Sample Project Proposal Scoring Sheet
Project Proposal Scoring Sheet

Category	Concise Written Description of Prohousing Policy	Enacted	Documentation	Insert Web Links	Point	Enhan	Enhan	Total
Number		or	Type (e.g.,	to Documents or	S	ceme	ceme	Points
		Proposed	resolution,	Indicate that		nt	nt	
			zoning code)	Electronic Copies		Categ	Points	
				are Attached as		ory		
				Appendix 5		Numb		
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1A	Sufficient sites to accommodate greater than 150%	Enacted	Housing	Electronic copy	3	1	2	5
	of current RHNA, with emphasis on sites that that		Element Site	attached				
	promote efficient land use, reduction of VMT, and		Inventory	Fub an assessed				
	hazard mitigation. Tuolumne County has a RHNA of two for the 7 <sup>th</sup> Cycle Housing Element. The HE site		Enhancement	Enhancement Factor: General				
	inventory includes demonstrated capacity for 1,222		Factor:	Plan Vol. I,				
	units including 71 for lower-income and 570 for		General Plan	General Plan				
	moderate income. Sites were chosen for the inventory		Contract	Policy Document				
	in part for their location and other characteristics							
	including infill, low VMT, availability of public water and			2024-2029				
	sewer, proximity to services, and avoidance of very			Housing Element				
	high fire hazard severity zones. The identified sites							
	encourage efficient use of land near identified							
	community centers with jobs, schools, medical care							
	and services. Since the sites chosen have already							
	been identified by landowners and developers as most							
	likely to be developed in the new HE cycle, the county							
	anticipates entitlement of at least 80 units on sites							
	included on the site inventory within the next two years.							
	Outcome: 80 units entitled by September 2026.							
	<b>Enhancement:</b> This policy represents one element of a unified, multi-faceted strategy to promote multiple							
	planning objectives including efficient land use,							
	housing affordable to lower-income households, and							
	hazard mitigation. The 2018 General Plan is the							
	guiding document for development and the protection							
	of natural resources, rural character, and the needs of							
	residents. The Community Development and Design							
	Element of the General Plan identifies areas for							
	efficient land use and growth while considering							
	environmental constraints and availability of adequate							
	public services and facilities (Section A. Chapter 1,							
	Policies 1.A.1, 1.A.4, 1.A.5, 1.A.6). The Housing							
	Element of the General Plan ensures sufficient sites to							
	accommodate greater than 150% of the current RHNA,							
	emphasizing sites within identified communities							
	(efficient land use), where utilities are available, and							
	near job centers and services. (Housing Element Site							
	Inventory)							

1B	Permitting duplexes or an additional single-family	Enacted	Zoning Code	TC Ordinance	3	2	1	4
	home, by right in existing low-density, single-			Code Chapter				
	family residential zones, exceeding the		Enhancement	<u>17.12</u>				
	requirements of SB 9. The zoning code has been		Factor:					
	amended to allow duplexes by-right in the R-1 zone,		General Plan	Screenshots of				
	providing a path for missing middle housing types in			non-urban R-1				
	low-density residential neighborhoods. This program			parcel examples				
	exceeds the requirements of SB 9 by applying the			(pending GIS				
	permitted use for all R-1 parcels, not just those in urban			analysis and				
	clusters. Large lots are prevalent in the county, and			formal maps)				
	most are underutilized with a single dwelling unit.							
	Duplex development in R-1 zones will provide more			Enhancement				
	affordable rental options, increasing housing			Factor: General				
	opportunities for lower-income families and single-			Plan Vol. I,				
	parent households in higher resourced neighborhoods			General Plan				
	where land zoned for multi-family residential may be			Policy Document				
	scarce. This program is expected to make more			-				
	efficient use of land by increasing the number of units							
	on large lots in established neighborhoods.							
	Additionally, it is anticipated to increase home							
	ownership opportunities by generating rental income							
	for owners to offset costs (such as the steadily rising							
	cost of fire insurance), increasing rungs in the housing							
	ladder for both the owner and renter. Further, as multi-							
	generational living becomes more common, especially							
	for younger adults unable to afford housing, duplexes							
	in low-density neighborhoods can facilitate the benefits							
	of multi-generational households while preventing							
	overcrowding.							
	Outcome: 6 duplexes permitted by September 2026.							
	Enhancement: This program promotes development							
	consistent with state planning priorities (Govt Code							
	§65041.1) to encourage efficient development patterns							
	by increasing the density of R-1 zones, in areas that							
	are developed (largely within identified communities)							
	and served by adequate transportation, utilities, and							
	services. Low-density residential zoned land is mostly							
	clustered along highways and major corridors, as							
	directed in General Plan Policies 1.A.5 and 1.A.6.							
	Duplexes permitted by-right allows for increased							
	density in areas that are along highways and major							
	corridors, where utilities and services are available.		_					

1H	Modification of zoning code to allow for residential	Enacted	Zoning Code	TC Ordinance	1	1	2	3
	and mixed uses in non-residential zones including			Code Chapter				
	mixed-use, neighborhood commercial, and general		Enhancement	<u>17.14</u>				
	<b>commercial</b> . The zoning code has been amended to		Factor:					
	allow single-family and multi-family residential		General Plan	Enhancement				
	developments in mixed-use, neighborhood			Factor: General				
	commercial, and general commercial zones.		Climate Action	Plan Vol. I,				
	Residential development in these zones is by-right and		Plan	General Plan				
	subject to Objective Site and Design Standards (ODS).			Policy Document				
	Compliance with objective standards may also allow for		Housing					
	relief from strict application of ordinance code		Element	Climate Action				
	requirements for minimum lot size, floor area ratio,			<u>Plan</u>				
	parking requirements and setbacks. Provision of a							
	ministerial process for residential projects in			2024-2029				
	commercial zones is expected to encourage higher			<b>Housing Element</b>				
	density residential development than may be proposed							
	within medium or high-density residential zones,							
	anticipating that the resulting units will be affordable to							
	lower-income and moderate-income households. The							
	intent of this policy is to promote efficient land use,							
	especially in already developed areas with access to							
	water and sewer. Many commercially zoned properties							
	are underutilized, and some may have existing							
	structures that can be converted to housing. Others are							
	undeveloped but located in identified communities,							
	near jobs, schools, and other amenities, making the							
	locations desirable for residential and mixed-use							
	development. Commercially zoned properties tend to							
	be located along highways or heavily traveled routes							
	served by public transportation.							
	Outcome: 1 residential project in a non-residential							
	zone entitled or receiving Zoning Clearance by							
	September 2026.							
	Enhancement: This policy achieves Enhancement							
	Factor Category 1, as part of a unified multi-faceted							
	strategy to promote efficient land use (General Plan							
	Policies 1.A.5, 1.A.6, and 1.D.1), reduced VMT, access							
	to transportation (Climate Action Plan Strategy 1), and							
	housing affordable to lower-income households							
	(Housing Element Goal 3.A and related policies).							
	Permitting residential development in non-residential							
	zones facilitates meeting the goals of the General Plan							
	and Climate Action Plan beyond what is proposed in							

	those documents, but consistent with the goals and policies.							
11	Modification of zoning code and site and design standards to promote greater development intensity by reducing minimum lot size, reducing FAR, reducing minimum site area, and further incentivizing clustered development by increasing density bonuses. The County proposes to adopt a Small-Lot Subdivision Ordinance to promote greater development intensity. The County's minimum lot size in R-1 is 7,260 sq ft. The Small-Lot Subdivision Ordinance will set objectives standards for projects proposing lots smaller than 7,260 sq ft and increase certainty for applicants. The Small-Lot Subdivision Ordinance will apply in single family residential, medium density residential, and multiple family residential zones as well as general commercial, neighborhood commercial, and mixed use zones to allow the greatest flexibility in land use and development. By removing minimum lot size, residential projects are expected to achieve greater densities than what is currently possible due to common site constraints (topography, natural and cultural resources, etc). Small-lot subdivision will be required to be served by existing water and sewer providers to encourage infill development and limit sprawl.  Outcome: Adopted Small-Lot Subdivision Ordinance by January 2025. One entitled small-lot subdivision by September 2026.  Enhancement: Category 2 is achieved by concentrating zoning code changes to encourage infill development and encouraging increased density in already developed areas (General Plan Policy 1.A.4 and 1.A.5, Housing Element Program 3.C.a). These areas have been identified within the General Plan as appropriate for future growth and allow for the continued protection of environmental resources and working lands. Reduction of minimum lot size allows for more efficient land use in areas served by adequate utilities and services.	Proposed	Enhancement Factor: General Plan and Housing Element	Small-Lot Subdivision Ordinance – Public Draft  Enhancement Factor: General Plan Vol. I, General Plan Policy Document  2024-2029 Housing Element	1	2	1	2

1L	Establish public-private partnerships to develop seasonal employee housing in high-demand visitor corridors. The Highway 108 and 120 corridors are home to resort and recreational amenities that attract visitors and require seasonal employees. Seasonal housing is difficult to secure, especially at the wages that are paid by recreation/ hospitality jobs. The County has facilitated meetings with private employers, National Park Service, US Forest Service, lawmakers, special districts, and county staff to identify possible solutions for seasonal worker housing in high-demand corridors. Potential solutions could include transfer of public land to private developer, RV campground on public land, or other public concessions in support of seasonal employee housing development. The ordinance code has been amended to increase the potential housing options for seasonal and resort workers including by-right multi-family residential in commercial zones and seasonal or resident employee housing within a hotel/ motel room permitted in all commercial districts (TC Ordinance Code 17.14).  Outcome: An established public-private partnership agreement that outlines the respective responsibilities		TC Ordinance Code Chapter 17.14 (pp. 17-80, 17-82)	1		1
	commercial districts (TC Ordinance Code 17.14).					

2A	Establishment of a ministerial approval process for	Enacted	Zoning Code	TC Ordinance	3	1	2	5
	duplex, triplex, fourplex and larger multi-family			Code Chapter			_	
	dwellings. The zoning code has been amended to			17.100.020				
	provide a streamlined, ministerial process for							
	multifamily residential projects of all sizes, including			Enhancement				
	duplex, triplex, fourplex and multi-building multi-family			Factors: General				
	projects (no established maximum number of units to			Plan Vol. I,				
	proceed under ministerial process). For projects on			General Plan				
	sites with appropriate zoning and consistent with the			Policy Document				
	General Plan, compliance with Objective Site and							
	Design Standards (ODS) provides a ministerial path			2024-2029				
	with the ability to receive relief from development			Housing Element				
	standards related to minimum lot size, floor area ratio,			Troubing Element				
	setbacks, and parking standards. Previously, projects							
	would have required a Planned Unit Development							
	permit, subject to environmental review and public							
	hearings, adding at least a year to the development							
	process and introducing a high level of uncertainty.							
	Design standards were subjective and different							
	depending on location. Now, compliance with adopted							
	objective standards for site and design allows a multi-							
	family project to receive zoning clearance and proceed							
	directly to building permit application.							
	Outcome: 4 multi-family residential projects							
	streamlined through ministerial approval process,							
	receiving Zoning Clearance and proceeding to Building							
	Permit by September 2026.							
	<b>Enhancement</b> : Category 1 is achieved through this							
	program as one element of a unified, multifaceted							
	strategy to promote efficient land use, with the							
	development of housing affordable to households with							
	lower incomes. General Plan Policies 1.A.5 and 1.A.6							
	encourage compact development, multifamily							
	development, and directing growth in a way that							
	enhances quality of life . These policies are further							
	supported by Housing Element Policy 3.A.3 intended to							
	encourage residential infill near services. Policies 2A,							
	2E, 2G, and 2H of this application are intended to work							
	in concert, to further enhance the unified, multi-faceted							
	strategy intended as a value-add to the County's							
	Housing Element. Policies 21 and 2K are the							
	mechanisms by which the customer interacts with the							
	County, intended to simplify the customer experience,							

and to reduce time and cost. Policy 2L of this				
application adds transparency and accountability				
related to efforts to accelerate housing production,				
encouraging development stakeholders to participate				
in the ongoing effort to improve to development				
process.				

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2B	Acceleration of housing production through the	Proposed	Zoning Code	TC Ordinance	2	1	2	4
	establishment of a Specific Plan and Master			Code Chapter				
	Environmental Impact Report. The County proposes			<u>17.100.140</u>				
	to adopt Specific Plans, consistent with the General							
	Plan, to accelerate housing production where public			Enhancement				
	utilities exist, close to employment and services, with			Factors:				
	multimodal transportation access. The Specific Pans			General Plan Vol.				
	and related environmental document are being planned			I, General Plan				
	for three distinct identified communities with the intent			Policy Document				
	to bring together multi-faceted programs, policies, and							
	goals within the context of three communities,			2024-2029				
	Jamestown, Columbia, and Tuolumne. In the identified			Housing Element				
	communities of Jamestown, Columbia, and Tuolumne,							
	there are a number of parcels that have capacity			2020 Tuolumne				
	charges for water supply, treatment, and storage to be			County Active				
	credited, resulting in significantly lower fees for water			Transportation				
	and sewer connection. The County has worked with			Plan				
	Tuolumne Utilities District to identify and map these			<u>- 1411</u>				
	parcels. These identified communities are also the			DEAD O O Como				
	focus of intense economic development planning			REAP 2.0 Scope				
	activities including efforts to rejuvenate town centers for			of Work for JSD				
	quality of life enhancement. These communities are the			Danasid Infill Mana				
	focus of additional efforts that will increase the quality			Prepaid Infill Maps				
	of life, access to opportunity, and VMT reduction for			for Tuolumne,				
	current and future residents, making them desirable for			Columbia, and				
	future residential development. Additional efforts			Jamestown				
	include the Jamestown Safe, Healthy, and Equitable							
	Streets Improvement Project, and the Gold-Rush							
	Shared-Use Path that will connect the communities of							
	Jamestown, Sonora, and Columbia. The County							
	secured a REAP 2.0 grant to assist water and sewer							
	providers to increase access in the Jamestown area.							
	The community of Tuolumne is the focus of economic							
	development efforts of the Tuolumne Economic							
	Development Authority of the Tuolumne Band of Me-							
	Wuk Indians including a 30-unit affordable rental							
	housing project and is home to the recently completed							
	Tuolumne Community Resilience Center. Jamestown,							
	Columbia, and Tuolumne are identified communities							
	where coordinated efforts are expected to result in							
	desirable areas for future residential development. The							
	establishment of a Specific Plan for each of the three							
	communities and Master Environmental Impact Report							

is expected to accelerate housing production to				
accomplish a wide range of goals. A robust community				
participation process will inform this effort.				
Outcome: An adopted Specific Plan and Master				
Environmental Impact Report for at least one of the				
three communities of Columbia, Jamestown, or				
Tuolumne by January 2026.				
Enhancement: This program satisfies Enhancement				
Category 1 as one element of a multi-faceted strategy				
to promote multiple planning objectives including				
efficient land use (identification of infill parcels with				
prepaid capacity fees, in identified communities),				
access to public transportation (coordination with				
transportation-related projects including multimodal				
access), and climate change solutions (reducing				
vehicle miles traveled). This program is supported by				
General Plan Policy 1.A.5, promoting infill and				
clustered development that facilitate efficient and timely				
provision of infrastructure and services, and related				
programs 1.A.f and 1.A.g. This program is also				
consistent with Housing Element Policy 3.A.3 intended				
to encourage residential infill near services. This				
program will be consistent with the 2050 Tuolumne				
County Regional Transportation Plan (currently being				
drafted) with significant input related to future land use				
planning and is consistent with the 2020 Tuolumne				
County Active Transportation Plan.				

Elimination of public hearings for projects consistent with zoning and general plan through use of Objective Design Standards. The zoning code has been amended to allow for ministerial approval of residential projects consistent with zoning and general plan through the use of Objective Site and Design Standards (ODS). Previously, some neighborhoods in the county had their own design guidelines that were subjective in their interpretation and multi-family projects went before the Planning Commission, which interpreted and applied the subjective design standards, often resulting in decreased densities. The result of this process was projects that were no longer considered feasible and therefore were not built.	Enacted	Zoning Code and Objective Design Standards	TC Ordinance Code Chapter 17.12  Objective Design Standards  Enhancement Factors: General Plan Vol. I, General Plan Policy Document	2	1	2	4
Identifying this pattern and constraint, the updated zoning code eliminates public hearings for projects consistent with zoning and general plan with the application of standards that are consistent, transparent, and objective. The public interest is protected through the adoption of Objective Site and Design Standards by resolution, which included public participation. The elimination of public hearings facilitated by application of objective standards is expected to increase the number of applications for multi-family projects and the number of projects that are completed.  Outcome: Reduction of 1-2 public hearings for residential projects using Objective Design Standards; reduction in time to approval by 6-12 months.  Enhancement: Category 1 is achieved through this program as one element of a unified, multifaceted strategy to promote efficient land use, with the development of housing affordable to households with lower incomes. General Plan Policies 1.A.5 and 1.A.6 encourage compact development, multifamily development, and directing growth in a way that enhances quality of life. These policies are further supported by Housing Element Policy 3.A.3 intended to encourage residential infill near services. Encouraging new development in areas identified as appropriate for growth in the General Plan allows for coordination of infrastructure, transportation, and economic development planning activities, promoting planning			Housing Element				

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	objectives of efficient land use, access to						
	transportation, and increased access to opportunity.						
2J	5-day plan check time for ADU applications. ADU	Proposed		1			1
	applications are prioritized for review – first review and	-					
	comments are completed within 5 days of the initial						
	application. Any required subsequent reviews are also						
	completed within 5 days. Prior to implementation in						
	12/2023, first review of ADU permit applications was						
	completed in 15-45 days. Community outreach related						
	to ADUs has shown that manufactured units are the						
	most common ADU type and the impetus for adding an						
	ADU is often a family member in need of housing						
	quickly, such as the scenario where an older parent is						
	no longer able to reside alone. Prioritizing this housing						
	type is intended to meet the needs of the community,						
	facilitate multi-generational households, support						
	families in caregiving and aging-in-place, and respond						
	to the time-sensitive nature of ADU demand. The						
	county has worked closely with local manufactured						
	home vendors to identify the best solutions to meet the						
	needs of familial ADU demand. Additionally, any ADU						
	type is included in the priority plan check program.						
	Combined with other efforts to encourage ADUs, it is						
	expected that applications for ADUs will increase,						
	adding housing units in existing neighborhoods and						
	increasing rental units affordable to lower income						
	residents.						
	Outcome: 50% decrease in ADU permit review times;						
	15 ADUs permitted in 2024 and 20 ADUS permitted in						
	2025. By July 2025, at least 90% of ADU applications						
	will meet the 5-day plan check time.						

2G	Adoption of consolidated and streamlined permit	Enacted	Zoning Code	TC Ordinance	1	1	2	3
20	processes that eliminate public hearings and	Lilacieu	Zoning Code	Chapters 17.12,	'	1	2	3
	reduce the levels or approval required for projects			17.14, and 17.100				
	consistent with the general plan and zoning code.			17.14, and 17.100				
	The zoning code has been amended to facilitate			Development				
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	consolidated and streamlined permit processes for			Process Map – Residential				
	multi-family residential projects consistent with the							
	General Plan and zoning designation. Multi-family			(attached)				
	residential projects desiring to use the Objective Site			F., b. a., a., a., 4				
	and Design Standards (ODS) for streamlined,			Enhancement				
	ministerial approval are offered an ODS Feasibility			Factors:				
	meeting with all development stakeholders to identify			General Plan Vol.				
	potential obstacles or concerns early in the process.			I, General Plan				
	The Feasibility Meeting includes Public Works, Fire,			Policy Document				
	utility providers, Building Department, and Planning.							
	Additional stakeholders may be included, depending on			<u>2024-2029</u>				
	the project's needs. Next, the project is reviewed at an			Housing Element				
	ODS Scoring meeting for compliance with objective							
	standards, to consolidate and streamline review, with							
	stakeholders and the developer present to address							
	questions or issues. The process replaces the routing							
	process, discretionary reviews, and public hearings,							
	potentially saving the applicant 12-18 months,							
	attendant costs of a lengthy approval process, and the							
	uncertainty of discretionary approvals. The updated							
	zoning code creates a process where all levels of							
	approval, prior to building permit, are addressed in a							
	consolidated manner, creating transparency,							
	predictability, and certainty for the applicant.							
	Outcome: 50% reduction of time from application to							
	zoning clearance compared to time required from							
	application to entitlement.							
	Enhancement: Category 1 is achieved through this							
	program as one element of a unified, multifaceted							
	strategy to promote efficient land use, with the							
	development of housing affordable to households with							
	lower incomes. General Plan Policies 1.A.5 and 1.A.6							
	encourage compact development, multifamily							
	development, and directing growth in a way that							
	enhances quality of life . These policies are further							
	supported by Housing Element Policy 3.A.3 intended to							
	encourage residential infill near services. Encouraging							
	new development in areas identified as appropriate for							

growth in the General Plan allows for coordination of	
infrastructure, transportation, and economic	
development planning activities, promoting planning	
objectives of efficient land use, access to	
transportation, and increased access to opportunity.	

2H	Replacement of subjective Community Design Guidelines with Objective Design Standards that	Enacted	Zoning Code and	TC Ordinance Code Chapter	1	1	2	3
	simplify zoning clearance, establish certainty and		Objective	17.100				
	<b>improve review times.</b> Previously, the county had 5		Design	<u> </u>				
	communities with adopted Design Review Guidelines.		Standards	Objective Site and				
	Projects in those areas were subject to discretionary			Design Standards				
	processes and public hearings, where subjective			<u> </u>				
	interpretation of the guidelines led to changes that often			Enhancement				
	made project infeasible. The design guidelines did not			Factors:				
	include objective metrics, and interpretation was left to			General Plan Vol.				
	decision making bodies and public opinion. These			I, General Plan				
	guidelines have been replaced with Objective Site and			Policy Document				
	Design Standards (ODS) that have been adopted and			<u> </u>				
	apply countywide. The ODS include standards that can			2024-2029				
	be counted, measured, or verified against an objective			Housing Element				
	metric. The ODS document is available online and			riousing Licinom				
	planning staff coordinates ODS Feasibility meetings to							
	ensure a simplified zoning clearance and greater							
	certainty. Review times are improved through							
	concurrent review and stakeholder participation in ODS							
	meetings with the applicant.							
	Outcome: Adopted objective standards document for							
	residential projects. To be updated annually or as							
	necessary.							
	Enhancement: Category 1 is achieved through this							
	program as one element of a unified, multifaceted							
	strategy to promote efficient land use, with the							
	development of housing affordable to households with							
	lower incomes. General Plan Policies 1.A.5 and 1.A.6							
	encourage compact development, multifamily							
	development, and directing growth in a way that							
	enhances quality of life . These policies are further							
	supported by Housing Element Policy 3.A.3 intended to							
	encourage residential infill near services. Encouraging							
	new development in areas identified as appropriate for							
	growth in the General Plan allows for coordination of							
	infrastructure, transportation, and economic							
	development planning activities, promoting planning							
	objectives of efficient land use, access to							
	transportation, and increased access to opportunity.							

21	Establishment of one-stop-shop permitting process from entitlement application to certificate of occupancy through online permitting system used across departments for all approval functions. The County moved all entitlement and permitting applications to OpenGov, an online permitting software program. Development process partner agencies including Community Development (Building, Planning, Inspections), Environmental Health, Public Works, and Fire all use the OpenGov system to allow concurrent review and improved communication with applicants and stakeholders. The applicant applies one time, in one system, which initiates all necessary internal processes for approval of the application. The system is used for entitlements, permits, and fees. All plans and documents are submitted digitally, and no paper copies are required (at a significant cost savings to the applicant). All functions from pre-application meeting requests to certificates of occupancy are initiated and issued through the online permitting system. The cross-departmental communication facilitated by the OpenGov system assists with streamlining, cost-reduction, and simplifies the process for applicants.  Outcome: 25% reduction in review times for residential projects and 10% increase in the number of residential building permit applications submitted.	Enacted	OpenGov permitting system	County of Tuolumne OpenGov	1		1
2K	Establishment of standardized application for all entitlement applications. The OpenGov online permitting system establishes a standardized application for all entitlement and permit applications. Applicants can apply from anywhere (though they can also come into the office for assistance with submitting an online application). No paper documents or plans are required for any entitlement or license. The online application gathers all necessary information required for the type of project and facilitates the necessary reviews and next steps, simplifying the process for applicants who no longer have to go from department to department.	Enacted	OpenGov online application	County of Tuolumne OpenGov	1		1

2L	Public posting of status updates on project permit	Proposed	Internal project	Development	1		1
	approvals on the internet including number of		document	Process Audit and			
	applications received, average processing time,			Improvement Plan			
	current processing times, and number of						
	approvals. Feedback from landowners, developers,						i I
	and builders has supported the need for transparency						i I
	and accountability related to processing timeframes.						
	Time and uncertainty cost money for developers and						
	builders, and long processes have made projects						
	infeasible in the past. The Department's effort to audit						
	and improve the development process includes a						i I
	commitment to public posting of performance metrics						i I
	including number of applications, number of approvals,						
	and processing times. This not only creates						
	transparency and accountability for improvements, but						1
	allows applicants to better anticipate timeframes and						1
	coordinate financing, work crews, materials purchasing						ı
	and delivery, etc. The County is currently working						1
	through the technical issues related to pulling OpenGov						ı
	data and presenting the data in a manner that is easily						ı
	understood by the public.						ı
	Outcome: Monthly posting of at least 4 performance						1
	metrics beginning in December 2024 and increasing to						ı
	at least 6 metrics by September 2026						Ì

3B	Adoption of policies that result in less restrictive	Proposed	Enhancement	2	1	2	4
02	requirements than Government Code sections	. Topocou	Factors:	_	•	_	· l
	65852.2 and 65852.22 to reduce barriers for		General Plan Vol.				
	property owners to create ADUs/JADUs. To		I, General Plan				
	encourage ADU construction and reduce costs and		Policy Document				
	times associated with ADUs, the County is proposing		1 oney Bookmone				
	to develop and provide pre-approved ADU plans						
	available to applicants at no cost. Tuolumne County						
	has experienced relatively slow uptake of ADUs,						
	despite favorable ordinances and short plan check						
	timeframes. A commonly cited barrier is the cost of						
	ADU construction compared to the low value it adds to						
	the existing property (in our local market conditions).						
	Few residents view ADUs as having sufficient value to						
	justify the cost of construction. In response, the County						
	is seeking innovative solutions including pre-approved						
	ADU plans that can also be used as primary single-						
	family homes. The plans will include options for units						
	ranging from 800-1200 sq ft and can be used for either						
	ADU or primary single-family homes. By building an						
	ADU that meets the standards for a primary dwelling						
	unit, owners may choose to take advantage of						
	ministerial lot split processes to later create two						
	parcels, each with their own primary unit and able to be						
	conveyed as a single-family home. Owners may be						
	more likely to take on the cost of ADU construction for						
	their current needs (renting it long-term or housing a						
	family member) with the knowledge that they may be						
	able to recoup their investment by splitting their lot and						
	selling the ADU later as a primary dwelling unit. The						
	resulting primary dwelling units will be smaller and						
	located on smaller parcels, which is expected to create						
	a naturally affordable product for residents with lower						
	and moderate incomes. The pre-approved plans may						
	also simply be used as single-family home plans for						
	those wishing to build a modest and more affordable						
	primary dwelling unit. The goal is to create flexibility for						
	owners to increase ADU uptake and provide additional						
	rental and for-sale homes affordable to lower and						
	moderate income households.						
	Outcome: At least three pre-approved ADU plans						
	available to the public at no cost by September 2026.						

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At least three outreach activities conducted to make the					
public aware of the program.					
<b>Enhancement:</b> Category 1 is achieved through this					
program as one element of a unified, multifaceted					
strategy to promote efficient land use, with the					
development of housing affordable to households with					
lower incomes. General Plan Policies 1.A.5 and 1.A.6					
encourage compact development, near services,					
where infrastructure exists. These policies are further					
supported by Housing Element Policy 3.A.3 intended to					
encourage residential infill near services. Encouraging					
new development in areas identified as appropriate for					
growth in the General Plan allows for coordination of					
infrastructure, transportation, and economic					
development planning activities, promoting planning					
objectives of efficient land use, access to					
transportation, and increased access to opportunity.					
Creating flexible uses for R-1 parcels in identified					
communities provides residents with opportunities for					
residents to contribute additional rental and for-sale					
housing units within existing neighborhoods,					
contributing to the multi-faceted effort to encourage					
affordable, infill housing.					
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3D	Accelerating innovative housing production through promotion of manufactured and modular housing through priority permit processing. Manufactured housing is an important, naturally affordable housing type in Tuolumne County. The County is working with local manufactured home vendors to identify improvements to policy and process to facilitate and encourage manufactured housing. A representative from the manufactured home industry participates in monthly Development Process Workgroup meetings to identify obstacles and assist in creating solutions. Priority permit processing is expected to reduce delays currently associated with permit backlogs. The Building Department is currently working to complete the first review of manufactured home permits within 5 business days. Testing and refinement of this strategy is expected to result in a standard operating procedure that prioritizes manufactured home permit processing.  Outcome: 80% of manufactured home permits are reviewed within 5 business days, with comments returned to applicants, with 2 <sup>nd</sup> reviews completed in 5 business days, by January 2025.	Proposed	1		1
3G	Pre-approved plans for duplexes in low-density, single-family residential areas. The County is currently working with stakeholders to create a pre-approved duplex plan program to facilitate and encourage the building of duplexes as an affordable, missing middle housing type. The ordinance code allows for duplexes by-right in low-density residential zoning districts. The County intends to make pre-approved duplex plans available to applicants at no cost. The County has consulted with multiple vendors on costs, considerations, and program design.  Outcomes: At least three pre-approved duplex plans available to the public at no cost by September 2026. At least three outreach activities conducted to make the public aware of the program.	Proposed	1		1

31	Adoption of Building Code to allow construction and use of tiny homes as residential dwellings. The ordinance code has been amended to allow tiny homes as residential dwellings. Tiny homes, 400 square feet or less, are subject to the ordinance code, which gives special consideration to compact stairs, headroom allowances, and modified loft requirements, to allow for this alternative housing typology while maintaining the appropriate health and life safety considerations. This policy achieves enhancement category 7 by increasing housing choices and affordability, including within high resource areas. Tiny homes may serve as primary dwelling units or may be added as ADUs by-right in all R-1 districts.  Outcome: Approval of at least 5 tiny home building permits.	Enacted	Resolution and Zoning Code	Ordinance No. 3456 and TC Ordinance Code Chapter 15.04	1		1
4C	Regular use of state and federal funding to convert market rate units (residential and commercial) to units with affordability restrictions for long-term supportive housing and veterans housing (currently 30 units supported). The County has purchased residential and commercial properties for use as permanent long-term and supportive housing, using state and federal funding. In December 2023, the County purchased an empty commercial building to convert to housing for chronically unhoused veterans. The facility is expected to be operational in the fall of 2026. In March 2024, the county purchased a parcel with four dwelling units (10 bedrooms total) to convert to permanent, long-term supportive housing. The County is currently operating or committed to the renovation and operation of at least 30 units of incomerestricted, long-term supportive housing, using state and federal funding.  Outcome: Conversion of market rate residential and commercial properties to 30 income-restricted, supportive housing units.	Enacted	Contract and Board Memos	Contract for Behavioral Health Bridge Housing Services, Staff memo for purchase of housing units dated 3/28/24, Staff memo for purchase of housing units dated 12/14/23	2		2

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4M	Grants to mobile home residents to repair or	Enacted	Resolution		1	4	1	2
	replace units to preserve affordable housing stock			Resolution 27-24				
	(MORE grant). The County applied for and received a			<u>authorizing</u>				
	conditional award for \$2.5 million for the repair and			accepting award				
	replacement of mobile homes to preserve affordable			of grant funds				
	housing stock. Older mobile homes are a critical source							
	of naturally affordable housing in Tuolumne County.			Enhancement:				
	Many of the older units are in poor condition, at risk of			MORE Grant Staff				
	becoming uninhabitable, and some already presenting			Report dated May				
	a risk to life safety and health of residents. Some of			<u>6, 2024</u>				
	these units are unable to be repaired and the owner/							
	occupants are unable to pay for costly repairs or							
	replacement, putting them at risk of displacement and							
	homelessness. The MORE grant funds are intended to							
	repair and replace mobile homes units most at risk of							
	becoming uninhabitable for owner/ occupants making							
	less than 80% AMI.							
	Outcome: Repair of at least 24 mobile home units or							
	replacement of 10 mobile home units or some							
	combination of both, for a total amount expended to							
	match the maximum amount allowed within the							
	program.							
	Enhancement: This policy meets Enhancement Factor							
	#4 by focusing on a specific housing preservation							
	strategy, specific to the needs of the county and beyond							
	state law requirements. Conserving this housing stock							
	is critical for the population of low-income households							
	that own their homes and for the overall stock of							
	affordable housing in the county. These units are not							
	otherwise preserved in the ways that affordable multi-							
	family rental projects might be. The residents that will							
	be served through this program are those most at-risk							
	of displacement and homelessness.							
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### **Sample Project Proposal Scoring Sheet**

Note: This is a Sample Project Proposal Scoring Sheet; an actual submission may include more specificity when an applicant completes the "Concise Written Description of Prohousing Policy."

Category Number	Concise Written Description of Prohousing Policy	Enacted or Proposed	Documentation Type (e.g., resolution, zoning code)	Insert Web Links to Documents or Indicate that Electronic Copies are Attached as Appendix 5	Points	Enhancement Category Number	Enhancement Points	Total Points
1B	Permitted missing middle housing uses by allowing duplexes and triplexes by right in existing low-density, single-family residential zones beyond what is required by SB 9.	E	Zoning code	Electronic copy attached	3	6	1	4
1C	Sufficient sites to accommodate 131 percent of the current RHNA with rezoning by total or income category.	P	Resolution	Electronic copy attached	2	1	2	4
1D	Density bonus program exceeds statutory requirements by 12 percent.	E	Zoning code	Electronic copy attached	2			2
1F	Eliminated parking requirements for residential development as authorized by Government Code section 65852.2.	E	Zoning code	Electronic copy attached	2			2
1G	Zoning that that is designed to increase affordable housing for a range of types and for extremely low-income households.	E	Zoning code	Electronic copy attached	1	1	2	3
1H	Modified development standards/other applicable zoning	E	Zoning code	Electronic copy attached	1	1	2	3

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	provisions to allow for residential uses in non-residential zones (light industrial).							
1L	Other zoning and land use actions that measurably support the Acceleration of Housing Production.	Р	Resolution	Electronic copy attached	1			1
2В	Streamlined program- level CEQA analysis and certification of general plans, community plans, specific plans with accompanying Environmental Impact Reports (EIR), and related documents.	E	Zoning code	Electronic copy attached	2			2
2G	Consolidated permit processes that minimize the levels of review and approval required for projects.	E	Zoning code	Electronic copy attached	1			1
21	Established a one-stop- shop permitting process.	Р	Resolution	Electronic copy attached	1	1	2	3
2N	Other actions that quantifiably decrease production timeframes.	E	Zoning code	Electronic copy attached	1			1
ЗА	Waiver of residential development impact fees.	E	Zoning code	Electronic copy attached	3			3

Adopted policies that result in less restrictive requirements than Government Code sections 65852.2 and 65852.22.  3E Measures that reduce costs for transportation related infrastructure.  3I Other actions that quantifiably reduce construction or development costs.  4A Local housing trust funds.  4C Regular use of funding for preserving assisted units at-risk of conversion to marketrate uses.  4E Establishes a program that complies with the Surplus Land Act and offers below-market land leases for affordable housing.  4G Prioritization of local general funds for affordable housing.  4M Other actions that leverage financial resources for housing.	Category Number	Concise Written Description of Prohousing Policy	Enacted or Proposed	Documentation Type (e.g., resolution, zoning code)	Insert Web Links to Documents or Indicate that Electronic Copies are Attached as Appendix 5	Points	Enhancement Category Number	Enhancement Points	Total Points
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	4M	Other actions that leverage financial	E	Zoning code		1			1
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#### **Appendix 4: Examples of Prohousing Policies with Enhancement Factors**

If a Prohousing Policy incorporates any of the enhancement factors specified in the Project Proposal Enhancement Factors chart, it will receive extra points as indicated therein. Examples of such qualifying Prohousing Policies include the following:

#### Category 1: Favorable Zoning and Land Use

- Rezoning sufficient sites to accommodate 150 percent or greater of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation by total or income category, including sites in Location Efficient Communities.
- Rezoning sufficient sites to accommodate 150 percent or greater of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation by total or income category, including sites in High Resource and Highest Resource areas (as designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps).
- Rezoning to accommodate 125 to 149 percent of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation in downtown commercial corridors or other infill locations.
- Expanding density bonus programs to exceed statutory requirements by 10 percent or more in Location Efficient Communities.
- Reducing or eliminating parking requirements for residential development as authorized by Government Code section 65852.2 in Location Efficient Communities.
- Increasing allowable density in low-density, single-family residential areas beyond the requirements of state Accessory Dwelling Unit Law in High Resource and Highest Resource areas (as designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps).
- Modification of development standards and other applicable zoning provisions to promote greater development intensity in downtown commercial corridors or other infill locations.
- Coupling rezoning actions with policies that go beyond state law requirements in reducing displacement of lower-income households and conserving existing housing stock that is affordable to lower-income households.

#### **Category 2: Acceleration of Housing Production Timeframes**

- Ministerial approval processes for multifamily housing in High Resource and Highest Resource areas (as designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps).
- Streamlined, program-level CEQA analysis and certification of specific plans in Location Efficient Communities.
- Documented practice of streamlining housing development at the project level in downtown commercial corridors and other infill locations.
- Expedited permit processing for housing affordable to lower-income households in High Resource and Highest Resource areas (as designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps).

#### **Category 3: Reduction of Construction and Development Costs**

- Fee waivers for affordable housing in High Resource and Highest Resource areas (as designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps).
- Fee waivers or reductions for higher density housing in downtown commercial corridors or other infill locations.
- Measures that reduce costs and leverage financial resources for transportation-related infrastructure or programs in Low Resource and High Segregation & Poverty areas (as designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps).
- Adoption of universal design ordinances to increase housing choices and affordability for persons with disabilities in High Resource and Highest Resource areas (as designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps).
- Permitting innovative housing types, such as manufactured homes, recreational vehicles or park models, in High Resource and Highest Resource areas (as designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps).

#### **Category 4: Providing Financial Subsidies**

- Targeting local housing trust funds to acquisition or rehabilitation of existing affordable units, or to affordable units at risk of converting to market rate uses, in Low Resource and High Segregation & Poverty areas (as designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps).
- Marketing grants and other financial products for ADUs/JADUs in High Resource and Highest Resource areas (as designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps).
- Utilizing publicly owned land for affordable housing in High Resource and Highest Resource areas (as designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps).
- Establishment of an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District or similar local financing tool in a Low Resource or High Segregation & Poverty area (as designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps).
- Directing residual redevelopment funds or general funds to conservation or preservation of affordable housing in areas at high risk of displacement.

### **Appendix 5: Additional Information and Supporting Documentation**

#### Attachments:

Resolution No. 65-24 for the Prohousing Designation Program
Final Sites Inventory
Small-Lot Subdivision Ordinance Public Draft
Development Process Map – Residential
Development Process Audit and Improvement Plan
Jamestown Prepaid Map
Columbia Prepaid Map
Tuolumne Prepaid Map
REAP 2.0 Scope of Work for JSD
Screenshots of non-urban R-1 parcel examples (pending GIS analysis and production of maps)

(shared via OneDrive)