1.0 INTRODUCTION

In accordance with Section 15088 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, the City of Rocklin, as the lead agency, has reviewed the comments received on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the City of Rocklin General Plan Update project and has prepared written responses to the comments received.

On August 11, 2011, the City of Rocklin released the Draft EIR for the City of Rocklin General Plan Update project (State Clearinghouse Number 2008072115) for a 45-day public review period; the Draft EIR public review period ended on September 26, 2011. The Draft EIR (State Clearinghouse Number 2008072115) was also received on August 11, 2011 by the State Clearinghouse, which provided a 45-day public review period for State agencies ending on September 26, 2011.

Chapter 2 of the Final EIR consists of all the written and oral comments received on the Draft EIR and presents responses to significant environmental issues raised in the comments (as required by CEQA Guidelines Section 15132). The focus of the response to comments is on the disposition of significant environmental issues raised in the comments, as specified by Section 15088 (c) of the CEQA Guidelines. Detailed responses are not provided to comments on the merits of the proposed project; however, when a comment is not directed to significant environmental issues, the response will indicate that the comment has been noted and that no further response is necessary. Comments that are outside the scope of CEQA review will be forwarded to the decision-makers for consideration when deciding whether to approve or deny the proposed project.

For issues that were raised by multiple commenters, the City determined that the preparation of a master response would be appropriate. The master response discusses the range of issues raised by the commenters and specifically identifies which comments it is intended to address. The master response is presented at the beginning of Chapter 2, and the individual comment letters and responses follow the master responses.

Each comment letter has been reproduced and is followed by the response to comments in the order of occurrence. In some instances, modifications to the text of the Draft EIR may be warranted as a part of the responses to comments or for other reasons. In those instances, the text of the Draft EIR is modified and the changes are compiled in Chapter 3, Corrections and Revisions to the Draft EIR. The text deletions are shown in strikeout (strikeout) and additions are shown in underline (underline).

This document and the Draft EIR together constitute the Final EIR that is being considered by the City of Rocklin.