



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 7/14/2026

File #: 26-608

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Planning and Building Department

Agenda Section: Consent

Vote Requirement: Majority

SUBJECT:

Humboldt County 2025 General Plan Annual Progress Report and 2025 Housing Element Annual Progress Report, LRP-2025-19452.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Receive and file the staff report concerning the 2025 General Plan Annual Progress Report (Attachment A) and the 2025 Housing Element Annual Progress Report, summarized in Attachments 1 and 1A pursuant to Government Code Section 65400(a)(2).

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This action supports the following areas of your Board's Strategic Plan.

Area of Focus: Core Services/Other

Strategic Plan Category: 9999 - Core Services/Other

DISCUSSION:

Government Code Section 65400(a)(2) requires that planning agencies prepare two annual progress reports (APR), a General Plan APR and a Housing Element APR, and provide them to the Board of Supervisors, the Governor's Office of Land Use and Innovation (LCI) and the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) by April 1 of each year. The reports were submitted and accepted by HCD and LCI on March 23, 2026. The Planning Commission received and filed this report on May 21, 2026.

The General Plan APR (Attachment 1) assesses progress on General Plan implementation during the previous 12-month reporting period. There is no standardized format for the General Plan APR,

although LCI does provide guidance regarding content. The General Plan APR includes a review of major land use activities undertaken during the reporting period, and information that may point toward a need for modifications to the General Plan or improved implementation. The General Plan APR implements General Plan Governance Policy Implementation Measure, G-IM1 - Progress Reports, and provides accountability and transparency to the Board and the community on the county's progress of implementing the General Plan during the previous year.

The Housing Element APR implements General Plan Housing Element Implementation Measure, H-IM76 - Progress Reports to the Planning Commission, the county shall report the progress of implementing the 2019 Housing Element to the Planning Commission within 60 days of the Planning and Building Department filing the annual progress report as required by Government Code Section 65400.

The APR for the Housing Element is required to be prepared and submitted on detailed Excel spreadsheets provided by HCD. These spreadsheets are large and not appropriate as an attachment to this staff report. Attachment 1 contains a summary of the report while Attachment 1A provides further details on the Housing Element APR. The 2025 Housing Element APR filed on the state's mandatory reporting Excel form is found on the county webpage at the following URL:
<https://humboldt.gov/206/Long-Range-Planning>.

Consideration and acceptance of the General Plan and Housing Element APRs is informational in nature, does not create or alter policy, and is therefore exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15306.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

General Fund (1100)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Staff time for preparation of the 2025 annual progress report totals approximately \$15,950. The staff positions to complete this work are filled and allocated and are included in the General Fund contribution to the Long-Range Planning unit 1100-282.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The State Office of Land Use and Innovation (LCI) and the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board may decide that modifications to the APR are necessary. If this alternative is chosen, the Board will need to direct Planning staff to file a modified annual progress report with the Office of Planning and Research and the Department of Housing and Community Development pursuant to Government Code Section 65400(a)(2).

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2025 General Plan Annual Report dated March 23, 2026
 - A. Details of the 2025 Housing Element Progress Report

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Meeting of: 5/21/2026 Planning Commission

File No.: 26-498