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2024-2029 HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE – HCD INITIAL REVIEW DRAFT SUBMISSION

The Plumas County 2024-2029 Housing Element completed circulation for public review on July 28, 2025. In total, the Planning Department received 51 comments from 11 individuals by phone, email, and social media and met with 11 County departments and housing stakeholder agencies that provided input. Comments primarily concerned the availability and affordability of housing and the diversity of homeownership options and housing types, as well as the need to provide housing opportunities to families in Plumas County.

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 215, the Planning Department then had 10 business days (July 29, 2025, through August 11, 2025) to incorporate public comment prior to submitting to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for the State's mandatory review. This reflects the statutory recognition that the availability of housing is a matter of statewide and local importance and that cooperation and direct involvement between all levels of government, non-governmental organizations, and the private sector is critical to attainment of the State and County's housing goals.

The Plumas County 2024-2029 Housing Element (7th cycle planning period beginning June 30, 2024, and ending June 30, 2029) is one of the seven State-mandated elements of the Plumas County General Plan and provides a comprehensive assessment and framework to address existing and projected housing needs of all economic segments of the unincorporated area of Plumas County and provides clear policy direction for decision making. The draft Vision of the 2024-2029 Housing Element is, as follows: *“Adequate supply of safe and livable housing types with opportunities for individual choices that accommodate all socioeconomic segments of the unincorporated County area, leading to housing possibilities that meet the needs, protect the environment, and are consistent with a jobs-housing balance based on future population and economic conditions.”*

The Housing Element must accommodate the County's Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) of 154 dwelling units, including 2 acutely low-, 8 extremely low-, 28 very low-, 24 low-, 29 moderate-, and 63 above moderate-income dwelling units.

State law (Government Code Sections 65580 through 65589) mandates the content to include an analysis of existing and projected housing needs; an inventory of resources and constraints that are relevant to meeting the needs; a statement of the County's goals and policies relative to affirmatively furthering fair housing (AFFH) needs; quantified objectives to the maintenance, preservation, improvement, and development of housing; and programs that set forth actions to address existing and projected housing needs.

To access the 2024-2029 HCD Initial Review Draft Housing Element and for more information, please visit the Plumas County Planning Department counter at 555 Main Street, Quincy, scan the QR code below, or find the document on the Planning Department website at:

<https://www.plumascounty.us/2629/Housing-Element>

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