



SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA
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May 17, 2016
5:00 PM

REGULAR
MEETING AGENDA

Palm Springs City Hall
Large Conference Room
 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way
 Palm Springs, CA 92264

COMMISSIONERS	
Joe Jackson- Chair	Grant Wilson, Vice Chair
Travis Armstrong	Tara Lazar
Thom Bettinger	Robert McCann
Nancy Ferguson	Nate Otto
David Freedman	

Staff representatives: Michele Mician, Sustainability Manager
 Dan DeGarmo, Clerical Assistant
 Gary Calhoun, Recycling Coordinator

City of Palm Springs Vision Statement: Palm Springs aspires to be a unique world-class desert community, where residents and visitors enjoy our high quality of life and a relaxing experience. We desire to balance our cultural and historical resources with responsible, sustainable economic growth and enhance our natural desert beauty. We are committed to providing responsive, friendly, and efficient customer service in an environment that fosters unity among all our citizens.

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- CALL TO ORDER**
- FLAG SALUTE**
- ROLL CALL**
- ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**
- CITY MANAGER AND ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER REPORT**

PUBLIC COMMENTS: This time is for members of the public to address the Sustainability Commission on Agenda items and items of general interest within the subject matter within jurisdiction of the City. The Commission values your comments but, pursuant to the Brown Act, cannot take action on items not listed on the posted Agenda. Three (3) minutes for each speaker.

- A. PRESENTATIONS (20 MINUTES)**
 - 1. Discuss Salton Sea, Councilman Kors
- B. MEETING MINUTES (5 MINUTES)**
 - 1. April 19, 2016 Meeting Minutes approval
- C. PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT (5 MINUTES)**
 - Parks and Recreation Liaison
- D. RECYCLING REPORT, Gary Calhoun (10 MINUTES)**
 - 1. Update on Composting and AB 1826
- E. SUSTAINABILITY MANAGERS REPORT, Michele Mician (15 MINUTES)**
 - 1. Sustainability Master Plan and Council Presentation
 - i. May 18, 2016 Received by City Council

- ii. June 8, 2016 Slated for Adoption at Joint Council/Commission Special Study Session
2. Leaf Blower Ordinance Assigned to Subcommittee
3. Eagle Crest Project Update and Council Action
4. Dunn Road Property Proposition 1 Funding
5. New Legacy Tree Brochure

F. OLD BUSINESS (15 MINUTES)

1. Six Goals and Policy Recommendations to Present for Council Adoption for 2016-2020
 - i. Multi Family Recycling - in progress with goal for end of 2016
 - ii. Product Stewardship - First for meds in Early 2017 and more products to 2020 adoption
 - iii. Pesticide Policy - 2017 adoption
 - iv. No Idling Policy - 2018 for City fleet and extend to commercial through 2020 by sector
 - v. Tree Protection Ordinance -2017 City facilities replacement/removal policy. All trees 2019
 - vi. Mandatory Green Building Practices – In Progress. Slated for 2016-17 adoption
2. Open Streets Event Update
3. June 8, 2016 Joint Sustainability Commission and City Council Study Session
 - i. Adoption of Sustainability Master Plan
 - ii. Leaf Blower Ordinance Discussion
 - iii. Consideration of Mandatory Green Building Requirements

G. NEW BUSINESS (10 MINUTES)

1. Cancel June Regular Commission Meeting Due to Joint Meeting Session

H. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS (30 MINUTES)

1. Water Conservation Subcommittee, Commissioner Freedman
2. Outreach Subcommittee, Commissioner Lazar
3. Green Building/Solar Subcommittee, Commissioners Otto and Freedman
4. Waste Reduction Subcommittee, Chair Jackson
5. Wellness Subcommittee, Chair Jackson
6. Active Transportation Subcommittee, Commissioner Ferguson

I. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS (5 MINUTES)

- J. ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting of the Sustainability Commission adjourns to a Special Joint Study Session Meeting with the Palm Springs City Council, to be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, 2016 in the City Hall Large Conference Room. The Sustainability Commission's regular meeting schedule is at 5 p.m. the third Tuesday each month except August unless otherwise noted or amended.

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AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING: I, Michele C. Mician, Sustainability Manager of the City of Palm Springs, California, certify this Agenda was posted at or before 6:00 p.m. on May 12, 2016, as required by established policies and procedures.



Michele C. Mician, Sustainability Manager

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 FUNCTION-10 GENERAL GOVERNMENT
 BUDGET ORGN-1270 SUSTAINABILITY
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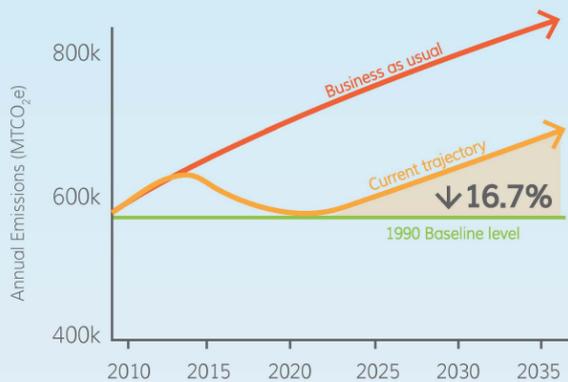
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43200	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	33,000	34,000	34,000	0	0	0	0
43880	SPECIAL PROGRAMS	28,300	23,100	23,600	0	0	0	0
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58042	OUTREACH ED PROGRAMS	0	75,000	0	0	0	0	0
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GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REPORT CARD

The City of Palm Springs is working hard to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions at the municipal and community level. Popular city-led programs and partnerships provide incentives for residents and businesses to take action. Learn what you can do to reduce harmful GHGs in our community today!

Help us meet our 2035 reduction goal! We need to reduce emissions by 16.7%



MAJOR CONTRIBUTORS OF GREENHOUSE GASES IN PALM SPRINGS

70%

Emissions (Tonnes CO₂e)

20%

Emissions (Tonnes CO₂e)

3.2%

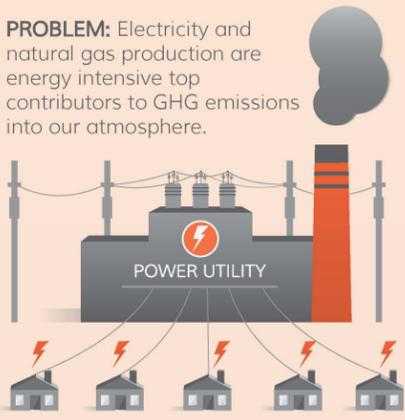
Emissions (Tonnes CO₂e)

2.5%

Emissions (Tonnes CO₂e)

Energy

PROBLEM: Electricity and natural gas production are energy intensive top contributors to GHG emissions into our atmosphere.



1 SOLUTION: The City is rapidly increasing its share of renewable energy infrastructure by investing in solar projects.

8 new solar projects



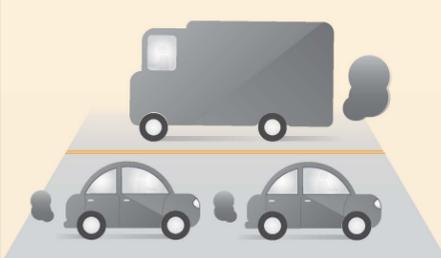
2 SOLUTION: The City and SoCal Gas' rebate programs reimburse the cost of energy-conserving appliances. Conserve energy and water by switching to Energy Star™ appliances.



86 thousand rebates since 2010

Transportation

PROBLEM: Motor vehicle use produces 20% of Palm Spring's annual GHG emissions.



1 SOLUTION: The City is encouraging bicycling for transportation by increasing the bike parking supply at popular destinations.

+100 bike racks



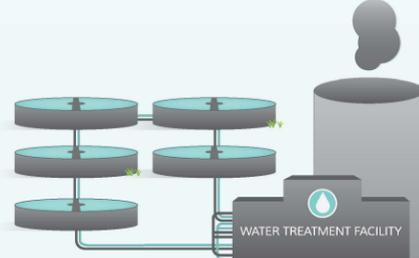
2 SOLUTION: The City is promoting the use of electric vehicles and won a grant to install EV stations throughout the city at no cost to taxpayers.



43 city-owned EV charging stations

Water Treatment

PROBLEM: Wastewater treatment produces nitrous oxide, a GHG that is 300 times stronger than CO₂.



1 SOLUTION: The City's low-flow toilet rebate program gives residents and businesses \$100 toward the purchase and installation of a low-flow toilet.

+77 million gallons saved



2 SOLUTION: The City's lawn buyback program offers a 50% match of up to \$2,500 to property owners that convert to a natural, low water use landscape. Since 2010, over 600,000 sq. ft. of lawn have been converted.



+30 million gallons saved

Solid Waste

PROBLEM: Transportation and disposal of solid waste produces GHGs. Landfills also produce CH₄ and N₂O when waste is disposed.



1 SOLUTION: The City has a goal to divert 100% of all waste via recycling and reuse of existing materials.

20 thousand tons of recyclables since 2010



2 SOLUTION: The City hosts 20+ sustainability events per year to help residents "choose to reuse". Single-use plastic bags were banned in 2014.



20 million bags potentially diverted from the waste stream

You can save a

TON

12.2 tons of greenhouse gas emissions are created annually by the average Palm Springs resident. Cutting your emissions will save you money and increase the health of our community.

SIMPLE SAVERS	MY SAVINGS
<input type="checkbox"/> Install simple water savers (shower heads and aerators)	= 160 lbs.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unplug energy "vampire" appliances (e.g., phones and clocks)	= 800 lbs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Switch to laptop computer and turn it off at night	= 1,400 lbs.
FREE SAVERS	MY SAVINGS
<input type="checkbox"/> Wash clothes with cold water	= 330 lbs.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Use "efficiency settings" on all appliances	= 770 lbs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Air dry clothes	= 780 lbs.
BIGGEST SAVERS	MY SAVINGS
<input type="checkbox"/> Upgrade to new refrigerator	= 830 lbs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Upgrade A/C and water heater	= 1,700 lbs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Seal and insulate your home	= 5,000 lbs.

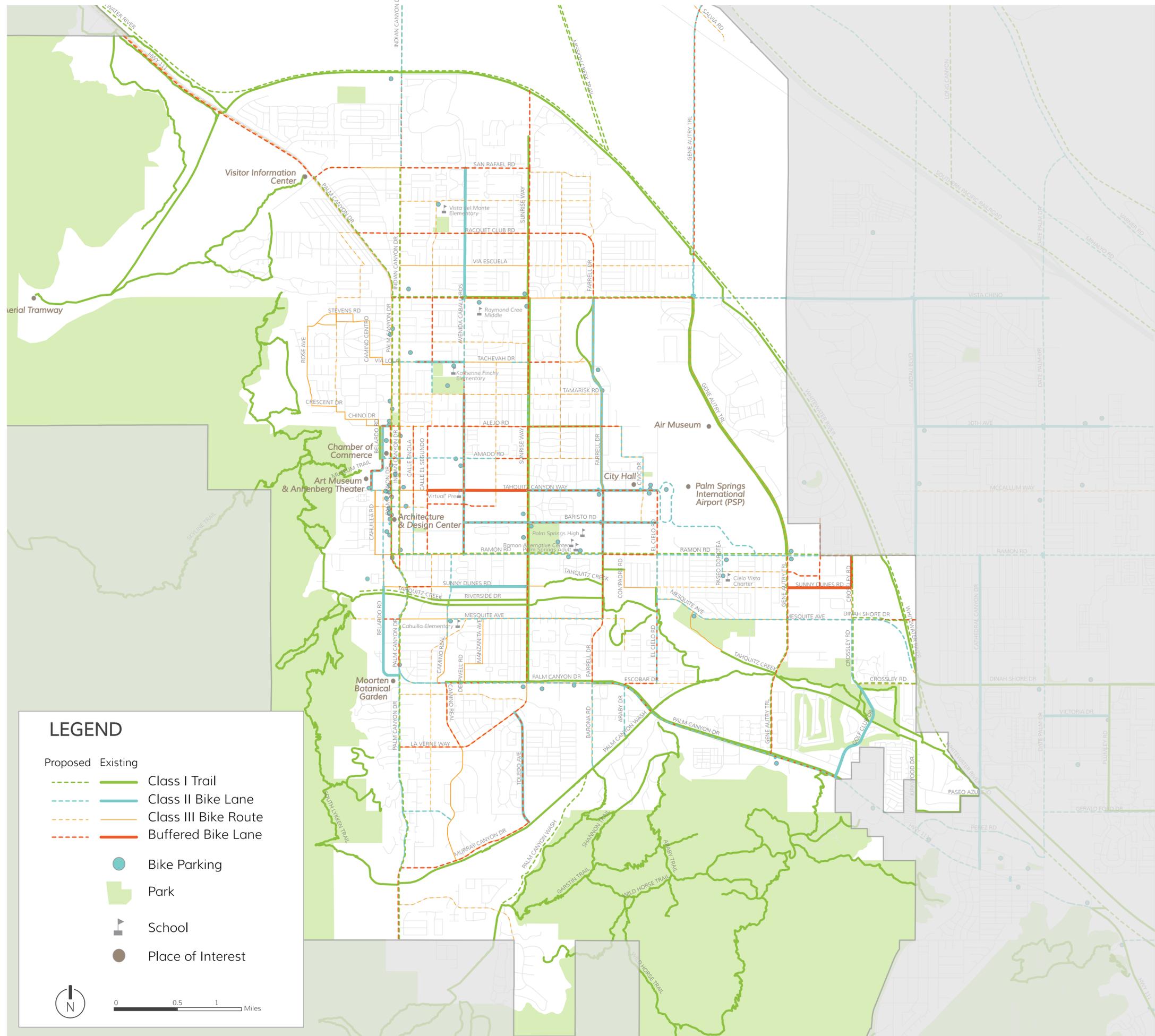
For more information visit www.palmspringsca.gov

Active Transportation Network

Bikeways and bike parking are an important part of providing options for residents and visitors to use active transportation.

Use this map to see where facilities are planned, and mark it up with recommendations for further study.

Use the dots to tell us where more bike parking is needed.



Time Frame

- Immediate (Next year)
- Short (2-5 years)
- Long (5+ years)
- Ongoing

PALM SPRINGS SUSTAINABILITY MASTER PLAN

IMPLEMENTATION MATRIX

#	Action	Objective	Time Frame	Responsible Department(s)	Key Partner(s)	Legislative Actions Needed
Climate Change + Resilience	Inventory and report greenhouse gas emissions so that reductions can be tracked in a transparent, consistent, and accurate manner.	Monitor and report greenhouse gas emissions.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Climate Change + Resilience	Use an emissions inventory and a monitoring tool to identify and prioritize effective programs, and to modify programs to increase greenhouse gas reduction effectiveness.	Monitor and report greenhouse gas emissions.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Green Team	
Climate Change + Resilience	Implement energy, water, transportation, and other actions in the City's Climate Action Plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.	Develop strategies to reduce community-wide contributions to GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and 80% below 1990 by 2050. Achieve carbon neutrality for municipal emissions by 2030.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department (Lead), All Departments		Adopt Climate Action Plan
Climate Change + Resilience	Establish greenhouse gas criteria to evaluate City policies, programs, and development applications.	Develop strategies to reduce community-wide contributions to GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and 80% below 1990 by 2050. Achieve carbon neutrality for municipal emissions by 2030.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department, Planning Department		
Climate Change + Resilience	Develop annual department-wide work plans that outline specific greenhouse gas reduction efforts for municipal operations.	Develop strategies to reduce community-wide contributions to GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and 80% below 1990 by 2050. Achieve carbon neutrality for municipal emissions by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department (Lead), All Departments		Adoption of Palm Springs Sustainability Plan
Climate Change + Resilience	Convene a working group, or collaborate with a regional university, to outline different policies approaches to achieve the deep and transformative actions necessary to achieve carbon neutrality.	Develop strategies to reduce community-wide contributions to GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and 80% below 1990 by 2050. Achieve carbon neutrality for municipal emissions by 2030.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department, Planning Department	UC Riverside	
Climate Change + Resilience	Participate in a regional carbon offset program, carbon trading, or "cap and trade" system to capture funding for local/regional actions to reduce contributions to GHGs.	Develop strategies to reduce community-wide contributions to GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and 80% below 1990 by 2050. Achieve carbon neutrality for municipal emissions by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		

Climate Change + Resilience	Assess the potential impacts of climate change on people, infrastructure, natural systems, and public spaces in the City.	Improve community resiliency to the potential impacts of climate change.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department		
Climate Change + Resilience	Partner with State, federal, regional, and county agencies to develop short-term actions that improve community resilience.	Improve community resiliency to the potential impacts of climate change.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department, Planning Department	Riverside County Public Health Department,	
Climate Change + Resilience	Prioritize greenhouse gas reduction measures with co-benefits that make the community more resilient to climate change.	Improve community resiliency to the potential impacts of climate change.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department, Planning Department		
Sustainable Economy	Work to expand existing programs that increase demand for clean technology and renewable energy, e.g. PACE programs.	Help to create 500 clean tech jobs by 2020.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department	HERO Program	
Sustainable Economy	In conjunction with surrounding municipalities, develop a package of local incentives to make the region more attractive to target industries.	Help to create 500 clean tech jobs by 2020.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Planning Department		
Sustainable Economy	Work with education partners to identify and focus resources from the College of the Desert, UC Riverside, CSU San Bernardino, K-12 and others to support sustainable industries cluster and other local businesses.	Help to create 500 clean tech jobs by 2020.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department	College of the Desert, UC Riverside, CSU San Bernardino	
Sustainable Economy	Support and promote the start-up businesses through incubators such as the iHUB Innovation Center, providing low-cost materials, technical assistance and opportunities for collaboration.	Help to create 500 clean tech jobs by 2020.	Immediate	Community and Economic Development Department	iHUB Innovation Center	
Sustainable Economy	Develop a "Buy Local" campaign.	Grow Palm Springs' local economy by retaining and expanding small and locally-owned businesses, increasing exports and decreasing imports.		Community and Economic Development Department, Tourism Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Increase support for small businesses to form, expand and innovate.	Grow Palm Springs' local economy by retaining and expanding small and locally-owned businesses, increasing exports and decreasing imports.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Promote local purchasing and procurement strategies.	Grow Palm Springs' local economy by retaining and expanding small and locally-owned businesses, increasing exports and decreasing imports.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Procurement and Contracting Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Increase competitiveness for conventions and conferences by ensuring the Palm Springs Convention Center employs sustainable practices, such as the SMG Green IMPACT project.	Establish Palm Springs as a premiere ecotourism destination in the U.S. by improving existing industry practices and expanding cultural and nature-based tourism.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Tourism Department	Palm Springs Convention Center	

Sustainable Economy	Support and promote Palm Springs hospitality and service industries to become green through existing utility rebate programs and materials about best practices.	Establish Palm Springs as a premiere ecotourism destination in the U.S. by improving existing industry practices and expanding cultural and nature-based tourism.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Tourism Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Convene existing tourism-based business owners and industry representatives to identify opportunities for expanding nature-based tourism. Research and report on best practices from other regions for consideration and adaptation.	Establish Palm Springs as a premiere ecotourism destination in the U.S. by improving existing industry practices and expanding cultural and nature-based tourism.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Tourism Department	tourism-based business owners and industry representatives	
Sustainable Economy	Partner with the hospitality industry to provide information to tourists about ecologically-responsible travel to the region, carbon-offset alternatives, and resource conservation strategies for visitors.	Establish Palm Springs as a premiere ecotourism destination in the U.S. by improving existing industry practices and expanding cultural and nature-based tourism.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Tourism Department	tourism-based business owners and industry representatives	
Sustainable Economy	Work with community-based organization and other partners to develop an ecotourism volunteer program to engage the visitors in habitat rehabilitation.	Establish Palm Springs as a premiere ecotourism destination in the U.S. by improving existing industry practices and expanding cultural and nature-based tourism.	Short	Community and Economic Development Department, Tourism Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Encourage the Chamber, Coachella Vallet Economic Partnership (CVEP), and local business groups to incentivize the Green Business Program to expand the number of participants.	Encourage sustainable business practices.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Continue to provide incentives and technical support to businesses in Palm Springs on sustainable business best practices.	Encourage sustainable business practices.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Partner with local business organizations to develop a promotional and marketing plan to increase the utilization of sustainable businesses, including incentivizing their employees to make greener choices.	Encourage sustainable business practices.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Distribute materials on the Green Business Program, utility rebate and incentive programs, and other sustainable business practices with business license and permit information.	Encourage sustainable business practices.		Community and Economic Development Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Support local school district and Coachella Valley Economic Partnership efforts to expand career pathway programs including high school career academies built around renewable energy and health care.	Train and grow the City's green workforce.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department	Coachella Valley Economic Partnership	
Sustainable Economy	Partner with community-based organizations to develop a green jobs program that provides job training/apprenticeship and placement focused on at-risk young adult populations.	Train and grow the City's green workforce.	Immediate	Community and Economic Development Department	Palm Springs Business Network	
Sustainable Economy	Establish partnerships with higher education to develop high-skill workers in green job industries.	Train and grow the City's green workforce.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department	UC Riverside	
Community Health + Wellness	Explore ways to maximize existing facilities, resources, and opportunities for physical activity.	Increase the City's overall health status by 5% in 2020 by encouraging life-long recreational physical activity.	Short	Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Parks and Recreation Deaprtment		

Community Health + Wellness	Utilize partnerships to create an additional community recreation center.	Increase the City's overall health status by 5% in 2020 by encouraging life-long recreational physical activity.	Long	Planning Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Community Health + Wellness	Provide physical activity opportunities for people of all ages.	Increase the City's overall health status by 5% in 2020 by encouraging life-long recreational physical activity.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Parks and Recreation Department	Riverside County Public Health Department	
Community Health + Wellness	Examine city policies that relate to healthy activity.	Increase the City's overall health status by 5% in 2020 by encouraging life-long recreational physical activity.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Community Health + Wellness	Eliminate barriers to healthy food choices within walking distance of all residents.	Increase the City's overall health status by 5% in 2020 by encouraging life-long recreational physical activity.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Riverside County Public Health Department	Resolution
Community Health + Wellness	Support complete neighborhoods and active transportation to promote social interaction and improve public health.	Increase the City's overall health status by 5% in 2020 by encouraging life-long recreational physical activity.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department		
Community Health + Wellness	Design three new 5k City paths.	Increase the City's overall health status by 5% in 2020 by encouraging life-long recreational physical activity.	Short	Planning Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department		
Community Health + Wellness	Create an online calendar/directory/resource guide of wellness activities and services available in our region.	Engage community partners to provide health and wellness education and/or services.	Short	Information Tehcnology, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Community Health + Wellness	Identify three new partners for the Mayor's 5k Race.	Engage community partners to provide health and wellness education and/or services.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Community Health + Wellness	Work with partner organizations to create a free "Healthy Planet, Healthy You" lecture series.	Engage community partners to provide health and wellness education and/or services.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Community Health + Wellness	City staff member(s) participate in at least one of the Coachella Valley Health Collaborative's "Mental Health Summits".	Promote mental, social, and emotional health.	Ongoing	All Departments		
Community Health + Wellness	Develop a "Hands-On Palm Springs" (HOPS) Volunteer Program structure.	Promote mental, social, and emotional health.	Short	Office of Neighborhood Involvement		
Community Health + Wellness	Challenge each neighborhood organization to host one "Healthy Planet, Healthy You" event per year.	Promote mental, social, and emotional health.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Organized Neighborhoods of Palm Springs (ONE-PS)	
Livable Communities	Develop a toolkit of simple, low-cost solutions that support placemaking that can be used in Palm Springs.	Actively promote transformation of public spaces to support placemaking and bring vibrancy into neighborhoods and community public spaces by piloting projects in two neighborhoods by 2020.	Immediate	Planning Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Public Works Department		
Livable Communities	Work with Organized Neighborhoods of Palm Springs (ONE-PS) and its constituent Neighborhood Organizations to identify locations for public space transformation.	Actively promote transformation of public spaces to support placemaking and bring vibrancy into neighborhoods and community public spaces by piloting projects in two neighborhoods by 2020.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Public Works Department	Organized Neighborhoods of Palm Springs (ONE-PS)	

Livable Communities	Pilot test placemaking tactics in two neighborhoods.	Actively promote transformation of public spaces to support placemaking and bring vibrancy into neighborhoods and community public spaces by piloting projects in two neighborhoods by 2020.	Long	Planning Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Public Works Department	Organized Neighborhoods of Palm Springs (ONE-PS)	
Livable Communities	Support new, diverse housing opportunities within walking distance of Downtown Palm Springs, neighborhood commercial clusters, and mixed-use areas.	Promote smart growth.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Livable Communities	Support the streamlining of the construction of multifamily and mixed-use development in areas identified by the General Plan and identify areas for multifamily and mixed-use development in the City not currently shown in the General Plan's land use districts.	Promote smart growth.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		Ordinance
Livable Communities	Promote bike parking and amenities in mixed-use, multifamily, and commercial development.	Promote smart growth.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Building Department		
Livable Communities	Amplify and augment efforts to encourage developers to provide alternative parking facilities such as carpools, van pools, electric vehicle, and car share.	Promote smart growth.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Building Department		
Livable Communities	Require new, continuous sidewalks on both sides of the street with new development and be fully compliant with ADA regulations.	Promote smart growth.	Immediate	Maintenance and Facilities Department, Public Works Department, Planning Department		Ordinance
Livable Communities	Support development projects that adhere to smart growth principles, including new development around existing neighborhood assets, diverse uses, and transit.	Promote smart growth.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Planning Department		
Livable Communities	Ensure that public health issues are guiding land use planning and development decisions.	Promote smart growth.	Ongoing	Planning Department		
Livable Communities	Require all city-owned buildings be built to Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold standards and Well Building standards.	Encourage the building or retrofitting of one million square feet of green buildings.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Code Compliance Department		Resolution
Livable Communities	Require project developers to meet the standards in the Green for Life Green Building Program.	Encourage the building or retrofitting of one million square feet of green buildings.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Code Compliance Department	Local Developers	
Livable Communities	Expand businesses participation in the Green Façade Improvement Program.	Encourage the building or retrofitting of one million square feet of green buildings.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Livable Communities	Conduct a systematic review of the General Plan and implementing ordinances and standards to identify additional opportunities to incentivize and encourage green building practices.	Encourage the building or retrofitting of one million square feet of green buildings.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department		General Plan Amendment
Livable Communities	Encourage green architectural and historic preservation and remodeling practices.	Encourage the building or retrofitting of one million square feet of green buildings.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Code Compliance Department	Organized Neighborhoods of Palm Springs (ONE-PS)	
Livable Communities	Develop an outreach and education plan for developers, realtors, and institutions (schools and hospitals) focused on sustainable design principles and green building.	Encourage the building or retrofitting of one million square feet of green buildings.	Ongoing	Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Planning Department	Palm Springs Unified School District	

Livable Communities	Establish energy and water efficiency handbooks for City departments, residential and commercial users with checklists for self-assessment and resource guides.	Encourage the building or retrofitting of one million square feet of green buildings.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department		
Livable Communities	Incorporate CPTED principles into the City's General Plan and related policies.	Promote Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles when designing sites, buildings, facilities and the surrounding areas.	Long	Police Department, Planning Department		Ordinance
Livable Communities	Evaluate basic CPTED design and management strategies for incorporating into design standards and zoning.	Promote Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles when designing sites, buildings, facilities and the surrounding areas.	Ongoing	Police Department, Planning Department		
Livable Communities	Encourage workforce housing across the City and advocate for a percentage of new residential construction to accommodate a diverse income group.	Encourage the building and preservation of workforce housing in new and existing housing projects.	Immediate	Planning Department		
Livable Communities	Establish replacement housing requirements.	Encourage the building and preservation of workforce housing in new and existing housing projects.	Short	Planning Department		
Livable Communities	Explore providing downpayment assistance, housing allowances, and short term rentals options.	Encourage the building and preservation of workforce housing in new and existing housing projects.	Short	Planning Department		
Livable Communities	Streamline the development process by offering targeted fee waivers, land acquisition subsidies, infrastructure assistance, property tax abatements, smart impact fees, and relaxing certain density, height, size and parking requirements.	Encourage the building and preservation of workforce housing in new and existing housing projects.	Short	Planning Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Dedicate a portion of the transportation budget to pedestrian and bicycling projects and programs.	Promote transportation choices.	Immediate	Public Works Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Create 10 miles of trails connecting with on-street bikeways.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Launch a robust public information campaign highlighting the health, environmental, and economic benefits of active transportation.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Launch a public information campaign to educate people about eco-driving, including anti-idling and getting regular vehicle tune-ups to limit vehicle-related emissions.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Engage Green Team and Sustainability Commission members in strategies to implement General Plan goal and associated policies and actions to "Reduce the City's dependence on the use of single-passenger vehicles by enhancing mass transit opportunities."	Promote transportation choices.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department	Green Team, Sustainability Commission	

Active + Sustainable Transportation	Partner with local public health agencies and hospitals to promote biking and walking.	Promote transportation choices.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Engage with elementary and middle schools to expand the Safe Routes to School program by identifying local champions.	Promote transportation choices.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement	Palm Springs Unified School District	
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Continue to partner with the downtown business community to enhance the Bicycle Friendly Business District.	Promote transportation choices.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Continue promotion of National Bike Month and provide promotional gear and education classes to prospective bicycle riders.	Promote transportation choices.	Ongoing	Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Become a bike-friendly community.	Promote transportation choices.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Expand the bicycle "fix it" station program and refueling stations to improve the visibility of bicycling in the community.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Investigate the feasibility of car sharing in the city and at the airport.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Conduct a study to determine if bike share is feasible in Downtown Palm Springs.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Develop a centralized portal of transportation information that allows residents and visitors to find multimodal transportation information, ride matches, and log trips for incentives.	Promote transportation choices.	Long	Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department, Information Technology Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Promote "Healthy Planet, Healthy You" and "Walk and Roll" apps across the City, especially in schools, and create new health and wellness metrics.	Promote transportation choices.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department		

Active + Sustainable Transportation	Hold Open Streets events to improve awareness of biking and walking.	Promote transportation choices.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Partner with SunLine transit to launch an individualized marketing program in neighborhoods with the highest levels of transit service.	Promote transportation choices.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	SunLine transit	
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Develop a campaign to promote the CV Link trail.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Coachella Valley MSHCP	
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Expand the number of days BUZZ trolley service operates and the span of service; explore creation of an East-West route connecting the Palm Springs International Airport, the Convention Center, and Downtown Palm Springs.	Promote transportation choices.	Short	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department	BUZZ trolley, Palm Springs International Airport	
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Promote transit-oriented development to foster development along SunLine Transit corridors.	Promote transit-oriented development.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Planning Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Assess parking requirements in Downtown Palm Springs and along SunLine Transit lines for opportunities to reduce parking minimums and ratios, recognizing the full costs and outcomes associated with inefficient parking strategies.	Promote transit-oriented development.	Short	Public Works Department		Resolution
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Consider expanding General Plan policy to encourage all, not just large, employers to adopt incentive programs that include ridesharing, preferential parking for rideshare, telecommuting, flex hours, bike racks, and other amenities.	Integrate sustainable transportation infrastructure and programs through the development process and through partnerships with employers.	Short	Public Works Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Incentivize developers to provide facilities such as carpool, vanpool, electric vehicle (EV), and bicycle parking; sponsor bus stops; and build bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure to facilitate multimodal access.	Integrate sustainable transportation infrastructure and programs through the development process and through partnerships with employers.	Ongoing	Code Compliance Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department	Local Developers	
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Develop a clean airport shuttle service to major destinations within the city and valley.	Promote clean transportation through alternative fuels and vehicles.	Long	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Continue to support development of electric vehicle infrastructure and charging stations at City-owned facilities and through developer incentives.	Promote clean transportation through alternative fuels and vehicles.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Develop ordinances allowing neighborhood electric vehicles (e.g., golf carts and other similar vehicles) as a mode of travel on appropriate routes in the City.	Promote clean transportation through alternative fuels and vehicles.	Long	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		Ordinance

Active + Sustainable Transportation	Adopt a policy to transform the municipal fleet conversion to ensure 80 percent of public fleet vehicles run on alternative fuels.	Develop policies and programs for the City of Palm Springs to lead the way in sustainable planning and operations.	Immediate	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		Ordinance
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Adopt a no idling policy for the City fleet by 2018 and extend to commercial vehicles by 2020.	Develop policies and programs for the City of Palm Springs to lead the way in sustainable planning and operations.	Short	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Reduce employee vehicle miles traveled in city vehicles by promoting teleconferences and the availability of alternative transportation options for business trips.	Develop policies and programs for the City of Palm Springs to lead the way in sustainable planning and operations.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Encourage telecommuting and flexible hours policies to avoid at least one commuting day per month per employee.	Develop policies and programs for the City of Palm Springs to lead the way in sustainable planning and operations.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Human Resources		
Active + Sustainable Transportation	Develop a comprehensive transportation options program for City employees that includes an online ridematching program and allows employees to log trips for awards.	Develop policies and programs for the City of Palm Springs to lead the way in sustainable planning and operations.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Human Resources		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Adopt a Tree Protection Ordinance that address tree replacement and removal.	Expand the urban forest by planting 5,000 new trees on public and private sites and become a Tree City USA community by 2020.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Plant new climate appropriate trees in the nearly 1,200 vacant sites identified in the inventory of public trees, or other high-value locations.	Expand the urban forest by planting 5,000 new trees on public and private sites and become a Tree City USA community by 2020.	Immediate	Parks and Recreation Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Continually replace urban trees that have been removed or have died with appropriate, new landscaping or add shade canopy.	Expand the urban forest by planting 5,000 new trees on public and private sites and become a Tree City USA community by 2020.	Ongoing	Parks and Recreation Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Maintenance and Facilities Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Establish a young tree maintenance program to properly care for newly planted trees.	Expand the urban forest by planting 5,000 new trees on public and private sites and become a Tree City USA community by 2020.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Maintenance and Facilities Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Develop a tree planting and maintenance guide for residents and businesses based on the planting palette in the Urban Forest Management Report.	Expand the urban forest by planting 5,000 new trees on public and private sites and become a Tree City USA community by 2020.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Encourage properly-sited and selected shade trees in 100% of new construction to reduce heat islands and provide shade to offset air conditioning demand.	Expand the urban forest by planting 5,000 new trees on public and private sites and become a Tree City USA community by 2020.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Parks and Recreation Department		

Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Identify areas suitable for urban forestry based on existing space and requirements on public areas.	Expand the urban forest by planting 5,000 new trees on public and private sites and become a Tree City USA community by 2020.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Planning Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Continue hosting an annual Arbor Day celebration.	Expand the urban forest by planting 5,000 new trees on public and private sites and become a Tree City USA community by 2020.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Expand the City's tree inventory to include trees on private property.	Expand the urban forest by planting 5,000 new trees on public and private sites and become a Tree City USA community by 2020.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Hire a full-time arborist by 2020.	Expand the urban forest by planting 5,000 new trees on public and private sites and become a Tree City USA community by 2020.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Become a Tree City USA community by 2020.	Expand the urban forest by planting 5,000 new trees on public and private sites and become a Tree City USA community by 2020.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Create and implement a plan to ensure that all residents live within a 10-minute walk of a neighborhood park, open space and/or community garden.	Promote access to sustainable, open space, recreation and natural resources.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Add new trails to the regional network, while connecting and enhancing the existing network.	Promote access to sustainable, open space, recreation and natural resources.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Provide more developed facilities at trail heads, including kiosks, signage, restrooms, and bike parking.	Promote access to sustainable, open space, recreation and natural resources.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Improve active transportation infrastructure connecting to parks and open spaces by creating complete streets, adding bike lanes, enhancing signage for pedestrians and cyclists, and improving sidewalk connectivity and quality.	Promote access to sustainable, open space, recreation and natural resources.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department	Coachella Valley MSHCP	
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Continue to work cooperatively with regional partners to assemble conservation areas identified in the CVMSHCP.	Support efforts to protect and enhance regional ecosystems.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Coachella Valley MSHCP	
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Establish development standards for residential, commercial, and industrial projects that: Control and manage invasive plants found on site by requiring best management practices to be used during construction and subsequent site maintenance. Prohibit planting of invasive species identified on the California Invasive Plant Council list. Encourage the removal of non-native vegetation, except when the vegetation	Support efforts to protect and enhance regional ecosystems.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Building Department, Code Compliance Department		

Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Create bird safe design guidelines that promote bird safety through measures such as façade treatments and lighting. Identify areas where guidelines would be most appropriate.	Support efforts to protect and enhance regional ecosystems.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Adopt an integrated pest management and no pesticide use policy for City-owned and managed properties.	Support efforts to protect and enhance regional ecosystems.	Immediate			Ordinance
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Develop a low-impact development handbook for residential and commercial project developers.	Exceed regional standards for stormwater control.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Require project developers to prevent stormwater pollution by implementing best management practices for construction activities.	Exceed regional standards for stormwater control.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Code Compliance Department		Ordinance
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Explore the potential impacts of climate change on storm frequency, duration, and intensity to understand the potential implications for stormwater infrastructure.	Exceed regional standards for stormwater control.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Require new construction to capture and remove all on-site trash before it enters the stormwater system.	Exceed regional standards for stormwater control.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department, Code Compliance Department, Public Works Department		Ordinance
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Expand the use of permeable pavement in large commercial and infrastructure uses, such as the Palm Springs Airport and Convention Center.	Exceed regional standards for stormwater control.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Code Compliance Department		Resolution
Urban Forests + Natural Systems	Increase the number of green infrastructure projects, such as bioswales, street trees, and permeable pavement throughout the City.	Exceed regional standards for stormwater control.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Code Compliance Department		

Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Continue to actively partner with serving utilities through the Desert Cities Energy Partnership to fully utilize energy efficiency and demand response programs in municipal facilities.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Code Compliance Department	Desert Cities Energy Partnership	
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Increase educational and outreach efforts to residential, commercial, and institutional building owners to increase awareness of SCE and the Gas Company programs, rebates, and incentives and CVAG's Green for Life Green Building Program to improve energy efficiency of existing buildings and pools.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Code Compliance Department	SCE, Coachella Valley Association of Governments	
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Promote third-party programs and financing sources, such as the PACE program, to improve energy efficiency of existing buildings.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Finance and Treasury Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Facilitate income-qualified energy efficiency programs such as those offered by the LiHEAP program managed by the Community Action Partnership of Riverside County and other programs administered by the SoCal Gas Company and SCE.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Continue leveraging federal, state, regional, and other funding sources to retrofit existing municipal facilities and public housing.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Complete 100% of remaining Energy Action Plan measures outlined in Phase III of the Energy Action Plan.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Public Works Department		Adoption of Energy Action Plan
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Install timers on outdoor recreational facilities and schools.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Short	Building Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Unified School District	
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Partner with Board of Realtors to create a policy requiring energy disclosure, audits, and/or upgrades at time of sale for residential and commercial properties.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Promote and participate in group purchasing of energy efficiency goods and services with other CVAG cities/tribes.	Reduce the total energy use by all building built before 2012 by 10%.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department	Coachella Valley Association of Governments	

Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Partner with CVAG to increase educational and outreach efforts to the construction industry and local developers to participate in the Green for Life Green Building Program to increase building efficiency.	Reduce energy use and carbon use from new homes and buildings.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Building Department	Coachella Valley Association of Governments	
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Highlight development projects that voluntarily meet complete the Green for Life Green Building Program.	Reduce energy use and carbon use from new homes and buildings.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Building Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Establish incentives, educational materials, and local partnership to encourage highly-sustainable building design and site design that receive LEED, Sustainable Sites, Living Building Challenge, or similar certification.	Reduce energy use and carbon use from new homes and buildings.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Building Department, Planning Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Evaluate and amend the zoning code to ensure passive solar techniques are integrated into site and building design guidelines.	Reduce energy use and carbon use from new homes and buildings.	Short	Planning Department		Ordinance
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Consider implementing an outdoor lighting ordinance that reduces glare, light trespass, and skyglow such as the IDA Dark Sky model.	Promote outdoor lighting standards that minimize light trespass and reduce light pollution and protect the surrounding outdoor environment from outdoor lighting impacts.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Building Department, Planning Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Encourage new construction to use energy efficient fixtures controlled by motion sensors and include cut off controls and outdoor lighting controls.	Promote outdoor lighting standards that minimize light trespass and reduce light pollution and protect the surrounding outdoor environment from outdoor lighting impacts.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Building Department, Planning Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Encourage new construction to design and orient lighting towards development and minimizing light trespass into natural areas.	Promote outdoor lighting standards that minimize light trespass and reduce light pollution and protect the surrounding outdoor environment from outdoor lighting impacts.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Building Department, Planning Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Produce a City resource guide for commercial and residential solar installation, including information on state and local regulations, incentives, and other third-party programs.	Supply 50% of the all energy renewable sources by 2030 and 75% of all City building's energy from renewable sources by 2020.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Building Department, Planning Department, Code Compliance Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Promote solar housing programs that provide no- or low-cost solar for families living with limited or fixed incomes.	Supply 50% of the all energy renewable sources by 2030 and 75% of all City building's energy from renewable sources by 2020.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department		

Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Explore establishment of a Community Choice Aggregator to procure and sell electricity to Palm Springs residents at competitive rates.	Supply 50% of the all energy renewable sources by 2030 and 75% of all City building's energy from renewable sources by 2020.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Evaluate establishment of a local energy ordinance to require new commercial and residential buildings to provide solar-generated power.	Supply 50% of the all energy renewable sources by 2030 and 75% of all City building's energy from renewable sources by 2020.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department, Planning Department, Code Compliance Department		Ordinance
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Develop a solar "Model Citizens" program for Palm Springs residents that promotes solar installation.	Supply 50% of the all energy renewable sources by 2030 and 75% of all City building's energy from renewable sources by 2020.	Long	Office of Neighborhood Involvement Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department, Planning Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Establish an ordinance to enable wind generation on residential and commercial buildings in Palm Springs.	Supply 50% of the all energy renewable sources by 2030 and 75% of all City building's energy from renewable sources by 2020.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department, Code Compliance Department, Public Works Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Hold annual demonstration workshops for City permitting and inspection staff to enhance understanding and familiarity with renewable and new technology and installation procedures.	Supply 50% of the all energy renewable sources by 2030 and 75% of all City building's energy from renewable sources by 2020.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department, Code Compliance Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Leverage grant funding to increase renewable energy generation on City-owned facilities and properties.	Supply 50% of the all energy renewable sources by 2030 and 75% of all City building's energy from renewable sources by 2020.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department, Planning Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Evaluate opportunities to increase local energy generation at the City's municipal waste water treatment plant.	Supply 50% of the all energy renewable sources by 2030 and 75% of all City building's energy from renewable sources by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Energy Conservation + Renewable Energy	Work with Socal Edison to retrofit or buy back street lights and retrofit them with LEDs.	Supply 50% of the all energy renewable sources by 2030 and 75% of all City building's energy from renewable sources by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Socal Edison	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Continue converting road median and parkway strips to low-water, native, and drought-tolerant species.	Reduce potable water use in City facilities by 50% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department		
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Limit watering times at City facilities.	Reduce potable water use in City facilities by 50% by 2020.	Immediate	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Develop guidelines that reduce water use for road medians, parkways, parks, and other city facilities.	Reduce potable water use in City facilities by 50% by 2020.	Long	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department	Desert Water Agency	Resolution
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Continue implementing water efficiency and conservation methods at all City facilities, targeting those facilities with the highest water use.	Reduce potable water use in City facilities by 50% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		

Water Conservation + Efficiency	Convert park and golf course irrigation systems to recycled water use, reduce high-water plants, and use smart irrigation systems.	Reduce potable water use in City facilities by 50% by 2020.	Long	Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Encourage the installation and provide resources for waterless urinals.	Reduce potable water use in City facilities by 50% by 2020.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Building Department, Planning Department		
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Collaborate with the Desert Water Agency to promote and implement water conservation measures, leak detection, and water efficient fixtures in Palm Springs.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Short	Public Works Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement	Desert Water Agency	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Continue to expand community outreach and engagement efforts to residential, commercial, and hotel owners to increase awareness of existing water efficiency incentive programs and City water conservation requirements through the City's website, the Neighborhood Involvement Committees, and other community-based organizations.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement	Desert Water Agency	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Continue to promote and augment rebates for individual residences and HOAs for Lawn Buy Back Program and drought-tolerant landscaping.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Immediate	Public Works Department		
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Work with the Desert Water Agency to identify high-water consumer homes and businesses and target outreach and engagement efforts to these properties.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department	Desert Water Agency	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Partner with the Desert Water Agency to promote smart metering and continuous monitoring of community water use.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department	Desert Water Agency	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Partner with hotels and the Desert Water Agency to increase the number of hotels participating the "Desert Water-Worth Saving" campaign.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department	Desert Water Agency	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Promote the installation of irrigation control sensors and drought-tolerant plants for golf courses.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department		
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Partner with CVAG to increase educational and outreach efforts to the construction industry and local developers to participate in the Green for Life Green Building Program to increase building water efficiency.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department	Coachella Valley Association of Governments	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Establish incentives, educational materials, and local partnership to encourage highly-sustainable building and site design that receive LEED, Sustainable Sites, Living Building Challenge, or similar certification.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Long	Public Works Department	Desert Water Agency	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Work with the Desert Water Agency to increase water and wastewater rate tiers to encourage more conservation.	Reduce potable water usage per capita in Palm Springs by 30% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department	Desert Water Agency	
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Explore adoption of a local gray water ordinance that requires all new residential development to be constructed for easy implementation of gray water systems.	Increase recycled and gray water usage in Palm Springs by 10% by 2020.	Immediate	Public Works Department		Ordinance
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Require new parks, golf courses, and other large open areas to connect to the recycled water system.	Increase recycled and gray water usage in Palm Springs by 10% by 2020.	Ongoing	Public Works Department		Ordinance

Water Conservation + Efficiency	Support expansion of the recycled water system to serve existing commercial and multifamily development.	Increase recycled and gray water usage in Palm Springs by 10% by 2020.	Long	Public Works Department		
Water Conservation + Efficiency	Establish a municipal gray water pilot project.	Increase recycled and gray water usage in Palm Springs by 10% by 2020.	Short	Public Works Department		
Solid Waste + Recycling	Adopt product Stewardship Policies to ensure producers of waste create programs to take back their products and their packaging.	Encourage an overall reduction in materials and goods consumption.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Solid Waste + Recycling	Partner with local commercial and residential developers to evaluate materials management strategies, including the sourcing of raw materials, reuse and recycling of materials, and selection of environmentally-sensitive sources.	Encourage an overall reduction in materials and goods consumption.	Ongoing	Building Department, Planning Department	Local Developers	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Create a local campaign that connects residents to resources to that advocate buying smart, reusing, sharing goods and services, and maintaining existing products.	Encourage an overall reduction in materials and goods consumption.	Ongoing	Community and Economic Development Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Solid Waste + Recycling	Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of buildings to conserve natural resources, historic resources, and reduce waste.	Encourage an overall reduction in materials and goods consumption.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Solid Waste + Recycling	Recruit businesses to Palm Springs who can use existing waste streams as inputs.	Encourage an overall reduction in materials and goods consumption.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Solid Waste + Recycling	Continue to support on-going programs for reusable shopping bags.	Encourage an overall reduction in materials and goods consumption.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Solid Waste + Recycling	Expand Product Stewardship programs for drug and SHARPS recycling to encourage and include pharmacies and pharmaceutical company participation.	Encourage an overall reduction in materials and goods consumption.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Encourage businesses to participate in Compostable Packaging Grant.	Encourage an overall reduction in materials and goods consumption.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Solid Waste + Recycling	Adopt an ordinance to require multi-family recycling.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Solid Waste + Recycling	Expand outreach and technical assistance to Homeowner Associations, multi-family residences, and seasonal residents to increase participation in the residential recycling and composting programs.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Work with Palm Springs Disposal Services to provide incentives for homeowners to select the economy service.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	

Solid Waste + Recycling	Explore increasing the minimum requirements for construction and demolition waste to 65%, consistent with the CALGreen Tier I guidelines.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	Ordinance
Solid Waste + Recycling	Expand commercial recycling and composting for businesses in the City by encouraging participation in waste audits and providing technical assistance focused on small businesses.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Work with Palm Springs Unified School District to educate students about the lifecycle of consumer goods and food and promote recycling and composting at home.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement Department	Palm Springs Unified School District	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Work with Palm Springs Unified School District schools to increase recycling and composting.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement Department	Palm Springs Unified School District	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Continue funding the Household Hazardous Waste and electronics recycling programs to provide the community a continuous opportunity to properly dispose of these waste products.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Evaluate implementation of a recyclable take-out container program to reduce the use of non-recyclable take-out containers at restaurants across the City.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Implement net zero special events.	Expand programs to increase landfill waste diversion, recycling, and composting to recover 90% of all waste generated by 2030.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Develop and promote food sharing programs within Palm Springs, providing excess food to organizations that support food security.	Reduce food scraps and green waste sent the landfills by 50% by 2025.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Work with Palm Springs Disposal Services (PSDS) to include food scraps as part of the green waste collection for residential uses.	Reduce food scraps and green waste sent the landfills by 50% by 2025.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Partner with PSDS to implement provisions of the California Commercial Organics legislation.	Reduce food scraps and green waste sent the landfills by 50% by 2025.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Pilot a small businesses and school food-composting and green waste program with PSDS for businesses not covered by State Commercial Organics legislation.	Reduce food scraps and green waste sent the landfills by 50% by 2025.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	
Solid Waste + Recycling	Initiate a food scraps program at all City facilities, placing compost bins in all public locations and common areas.	Reduce food scraps and green waste sent the landfills by 50% by 2025.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Disposal Service	

Food + Urban Agriculture	Create policy and practices to provide healthy, locally-produced food and beverage options at City-sponsored events. Provide tap water rather than bottled water.	Reduce the consumption of resource-intensive foods.	Short	Human Resources, Sustainability and Recycling Department		Resolution
Food + Urban Agriculture	Encourage a city-supported "Meatless Monday" initiative.	Reduce the consumption of resource-intensive foods.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Communications Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Promote healthier, more sustainable diets through collaborations with community-based organizations.	Reduce the consumption of resource-intensive foods.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Support efforts to increase composting on non-edible food.	Reduce the consumption of resource-intensive foods.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Provide incentives to SNAP participants to redeem benefits at local farmers markets.	Reduce the consumption of resource-intensive foods.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department	SNAP	
Food + Urban Agriculture	Support farmers markets and small retailers that sell healthy and locally produced food.	Support community-based food systems that produce healthy foods and reduce food waste.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department	Local Farmers	
Food + Urban Agriculture	Partner with a community-based organization to manage, maintain, and evaluate the potential for new community gardens.	Support community-based food systems that produce healthy foods and reduce food waste.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Continue to expand the school garden program to additional campuses in Palm Springs.	Support community-based food systems that produce healthy foods and reduce food waste.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement	Palm Springs Unified School District	
Food + Urban Agriculture	Establish a neighborhood produce exchange.	Support community-based food systems that produce healthy foods and reduce food waste.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Work with community partners to create a food share network (or citrus gleaning program) that allows homeowners, growers and other to donate excess food (citrus) to food-insecure residents in Palm Springs and surrounding communities.	Support community-based food systems that produce healthy foods and reduce food waste.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Continue increasing the planting of fruit trees on publically-owned land.	Support community-based food systems that produce healthy foods and reduce food waste.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Parks and Recreation Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Promote educational opportunities for residents and business to increase skills and knowledge of gardening, food preservation, and fruit production.	Support community-based food systems that produce healthy foods and reduce food waste.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Continue providing rebates for homeowners who replace lawns and high-water plants with edible gardens.	Support community-based food systems that produce healthy foods and reduce food waste.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Establish a pilot project to demonstrate alternative agriculture methods, such as permaculture, hydroponics, and aquaponics.	Support community-based food systems that produce healthy foods and reduce food waste.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Evaluate alternative food source options such as Hydroponics and encourage business development for alternative methods of food production.	Support community-based food systems that produce healthy foods and reduce food waste.	Long	Community and Economic Development Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		

Food + Urban Agriculture	Create at least one urban farming pilot project.	Support community-based food systems that produce healthy foods and reduce food waste.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Food + Urban Agriculture	Incorporate urban agriculture uses into long range planning efforts, including the General Plan and zoning.	Evaluate existing regulation to better understand barriers to growing and producing food.	Immediate	Planning Department, Parks and Recreation Department		Ordinance
Food + Urban Agriculture	Examine city policies that relate to healthy food production.	Evaluate existing regulation to better understand barriers to growing and producing food.	Immediate	Planning Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		Resolution
Food + Urban Agriculture	Encourage innovative design in new development by incorporating community gardens, allotments, edible landscapes, or other community-based food systems.	Evaluate existing regulation to better understand barriers to growing and producing food.	Ongoing	Parks and Recreation Department, Planning Department	Riverside County Master Gardeners	
Food + Urban Agriculture	Promote efforts to expand urban food production on privately-owned land.	Evaluate existing regulation to better understand barriers to growing and producing food.	Ongoing	Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Sustainability and Recycling Department, Community and Economic Development Department		
Lead By Example	Form a collaboration between the Sustainability Commission, Mayor, and Green Team to establish an annual sustainability action goal.	Embed sustainable principles and practices into city operations.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Green Team	
Lead By Example	Identify a senior staffer from each City department or agency to carry out sustainability measures.	Embed sustainable principles and practices into city operations.	Short Term	Sustainability and Recycling Department (Lead), All Departments		
Lead By Example	Develop annual departmental work plans for sustainability that define three to five actions that the department will implement during the year.	Embed sustainable principles and practices into city operations.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Reconvene an inter-departmental Green Team that meets quarterly to share best practices, identify opportunities for collaboration, and discuss progress towards annual sustainability goals. Twice a year the meeting would be led by the City Manager and Council subcommittee and twice a year led by the Office of Sustainability.	Embed sustainable principles and practices into city operations.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Green Team	
Lead By Example	Through the Green Team, define numeric goals for reductions in fuel consumption, energy and water use, solid waste generation for municipal operations and other health and sustainability issues.	Embed sustainable principles and practices into city operations.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Public Works Department	Green Team	
Lead By Example	Continue to increase capacity by adding additional full- or part-time staff to the Office of Sustainability.	Embed sustainable principles and practices into city operations.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Human Resources Department		
Lead By Example	Publish an annual, standardized sustainability report card showing progress towards numeric goals and promoting departmental accomplishments.	Embed sustainable principles and practices into city operations.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Establish a process to incorporate sustainability into the planning and design process for capital improvement projects, screening projects using a triple bottom line approach and incorporating a life-cycle evaluation of costs and benefits.	Embed sustainability into capital improvement review, design, and construction.	Long	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department, Public Works Department		Resolution
Lead By Example	Whenever feasible, utilize post-consumer recycled content of at least 50% of the total mass of infrastructure materials: Roadways, parking lots, sidewalks, unit paving, and curbs. Water retention tanks and vaults. Base and subbase materials for the above. Thermal energy distribution systems.	Embed sustainability into capital improvement review, design, and construction.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Maintenance and Facilities Department, Public Works Department		

Lead By Example	During infrastructure construction, use recycled water to meet water needs where available.	Embed sustainability into capital improvement review, design, and construction.	Ongoing	Building Department, Code Compliance Department, Public Works Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		Resolution
Lead By Example	Encourage use of equipment to achieve a 60% average annual energy reduction below the estimated baseline energy use for those products.	Embed sustainability into capital improvement review, design, and construction.	Ongoing	Building Department, Code Compliance Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Encourage use of construction equipment powered by alternative fuels such as compressed natural gas rather than conventional petroleum or diesel to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.	Embed sustainability into capital improvement review, design, and construction.	Ongoing	Building Department, Code Compliance Department		
Lead By Example	Encourage use of electric or hybrid-electric construction equipment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.	Embed sustainability into capital improvement review, design, and construction.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Maintenance and Facilities Department, Building Department, Public Works Department		
Lead By Example	Conduct "Sustainability 101" trainings with all employees with approval from their supervisors.	Ensure all employees have a baseline understanding of sustainability principles and regular opportunities for learning.	Ongoing	Human Resources, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Conduct bi-annual trainings of all employees on key sustainability topics and how to implement sustainability measures through existing City programs and processes.	Ensure all employees have a baseline understanding of sustainability principles and regular opportunities for learning.	Ongoing	Human Resources, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Provide training and accreditation for select City staff related to LEED for Neighborhood Design, LEED New Construction, Well Building, the Living Building Challenge, EcoDistricts, Sustainable Sites, CALGreen, and other related building and urban design standards.	Ensure all employees have a baseline understanding of sustainability principles and regular opportunities for learning.	Ongoing	Human Resources		
Lead By Example	Pilot healthy building design and/or retrofit at a City facility.	Foster a safe and healthy work environment.	Long	Maintenance and Facilities Department, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Establish a workplace wellness program that identifies places around the City facilities to engage in physical activity and encourages employees to walk or bike to work, among other things.	Foster a safe and healthy work environment.	Immediate	Human Resources		
Lead By Example	Add healthy foods to vending machines and provide healthy snacks and tap water during meetings.	Foster a safe and healthy work environment.	Immediate	Human Resources		
Lead By Example	Place health-related posters (nutrition, physical activity) in public places.	Foster a safe and healthy work environment.	Immediate	Human Resources		
Lead By Example	Provide the opportunity for all employees to receive an annual ergonomic evaluation of their work area.	Foster a safe and healthy work environment.	Immediate	Human Resources		
Lead By Example	Support nursing mothers by providing comfortable rooms for expressing milk.	Foster a safe and healthy work environment.	Immediate	Human Resources		
Lead By Example	Provide regular, onsite health, wellness, and mental health services, including flu shots. Restrict the use of "Red List" chemical in municipal operations as defined by the Living Building Challenge.	Foster a safe and healthy work environment.	Ongoing	Human Resources	Riverside County Department of Public Health	
Lead By Example	Adopt a green purchasing policy that gives preference to goods and services that minimize exposure to toxic chemicals, prevent waste, reduce consumption of electricity, fuel, water or paper, conserve natural resources, and support sustainable manufacturing, fair trade, and the local economy.	Adopt sustainable practices and purchasing policies.	Short	Human Resources, Public Works Department		Ordinance

Lead By Example	Develop guidelines regarding purchasing and labor procurement with attention to fair labor practices.	Adopt sustainable practices and purchasing policies.	Short	Human Resources, Finance and Treasury Department		
Lead By Example	Expand the City's local preference ordinance to include social equity and environmental practices.	Adopt sustainable practices and purchasing policies.	Short	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Planning Department		Ordinance
Lead By Example	Form a Green Citizen Academy to help teach the community about sustainability.	Embed sustainability concepts and practices into the local culture through education, promotion, and community engagement.	Immediate	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement		Adopt Palm Springs Sustainability Plan
Lead By Example	Maintain a single, City sustainability website as a resource for the community.	Embed sustainability concepts and practices into the local culture through education, promotion, and community engagement.	Immediate	Information Tehcnology, Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Encourage community members of all ages to participate in Palm Springs Neighborhood Organizations, community improvement efforts, and civic affairs.	Embed sustainability concepts and practices into the local culture through education, promotion, and community engagement.	Ongoing	Office of Neighborhood Involvement		
Lead By Example	Develop an engagement framework that moves from inform and consulting the community about planning and implementation efforts to collaborative decision making and empowerment.	Embed sustainability concepts and practices into the local culture through education, promotion, and community engagement.	Long	Planning Department, Office of Neighborhood Involvement		
Lead By Example	Continue working with the local network of sustainability-related groups to share resources, build partnerships, and unify outreach efforts.	Embed sustainability concepts and practices into the local culture through education, promotion, and community engagement.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Work with community partners and public and private schools to incorporate sustainability into curriculum.	Embed sustainability concepts and practices into the local culture through education, promotion, and community engagement.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Palm Springs Unified School District	
Lead By Example	Continue implementing the Healthy Planet Healthy You program.	Embed sustainability concepts and practices into the local culture through education, promotion, and community engagement.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		
Lead By Example	Support regional efforts through the Coachella Valley Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (CVMSHCP) to protect and enhance regional ecosystems.	Be a regional leader.	Ongoing	Planning Department, Public Works Department	Coachella Valley MSHCP	
Lead By Example	Promote and participate in group purchasing of energy efficiency goods and services with other CVAG cities/tribes.	Be a regional leader.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department, Finance and Treasury Department	Coachella Valley Association of Governments	
Lead By Example	Participate in the development and implementation of regional strategies to meet the requirements of AB 32 and SB 375.	Be a regional leader.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department	Coachella Valley Association of Governments	
Lead By Example	Continue participation in the Desert Cities Energy Partnership.	Be a regional leader.	Ongoing	Sustainability and Recycling Department		Adopt Palm Springs Sustainability Plan
Lead By Example	Continue working with local jurisdictions to plan, design, and implementation regional transportation solutions.	Be a regional leader.	Ongoing	Public Works Department, Planning Department		Adopt Palm Springs Sustainability Plan

Legacy Tree Program

The Legacy Tree program is an innovative approach that the City of Palm Springs is taking to ensure the health of our urban forest while honoring those special people, places and organizations in our beloved community. By donating \$200.00 to the City's program the applicant receives a beautiful memorial as well as the assurance that the tree will endure and receive appropriate watering through these times of drought.



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Please include a photo of the selected tree and the Park/City Facility Name and address:

Example:

*Ruth Hardy Park
700 Tamarisk St
Palm Springs*



*City of Palm Springs
Legacy Tree Program*

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Legacy Tree Program

Would you like to memorialize a friend or loved one with a living tree? Want to show that you, a friend or your organization is an active, contributing member of the community? The City of Palm Springs has a tree adoption program designed with these purposes in mind.



In these times of drought the City of Palm Springs is seeking funding to ensure our City's trees survive. With irrigation changes that resulted as we stopped watering turf the need arose to add bubblers and ensure special watering be arranged for our trees to stay alive. By adopting a Legacy Tree you can help make this happen.

Once a tree has been dedicated it becomes a perfect meeting place for families or groups. Trees selected must be existing City-owned trees and within the boundaries of the City of Palm Springs.



Who, What, Where, & When

Any individual or organization is welcome to participate in the Legacy Tree Adoption Program.

Details: The cost for tree adoption is \$200.00. The funds from tree adoption will offset costs of changes to irrigation to accommodate trees during the drought and in perpetuity.

Below is an example of what your memorial dedication plaque may look like.



For more information on Legacy Tree adoption contact:

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Legacy Tree Program



APPLICATION (PLEASE PRINT)	
First	
Last:	
Address: # and Street	
City/State	Zip
Phone:	
Email:	
Preferred Tree Location (Attach Photo of Tree) :	
Dedication: Personalize up to 3 lines 30 characters per line Suggested \$200.00 donation	
Please enclose a Photo of the Tree, the location of the tree and the appropriate amount and make check payable to: City of Palm Springs With <i>Legacy Tree Program</i> on the Memo Line Mail or drop off application to: City of Palm Springs Office of Sustainability 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way Palm Springs, CA 92264	

Feasibility Criteria Evaluation Findings

Lands determined suitable for inclusion in a park boundary under the first set of criteria must also be considered feasible for the park service to administer considering size, configuration, and ownership; costs; the views of and impacts on local communities and surrounding jurisdictions; and other factors such as the presence of structures, hazardous substances, or nonnative species.

Of the lands determined suitable for addition to Joshua Tree National Park, the study finds that approximately 25,070 acres of federal, state, and private lands would be considered feasible for NPS to administer as part of Joshua Tree National Park at this time. Including these resources in the park would help address current threats facing park resources, such as habitat fragmentation from regional development, and would help mitigate the effects of climate change on park resources.

Although some portions of the study area are not feasible for NPS management at this time given current and proposed uses (e.g. proposed Eagle Mountain Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Project area, the Townsite, and Eagle Mountain School), such areas (~3,530 acres) contain resources with cultural resource values and public enjoyment opportunities that would support park purpose. These lands are considered “potentially feasible” for NPS management. The NPS could consider inclusion of these lands in the park boundary in the event that current or planned uses change. Approximately 2,870 acres of lands necessary for the management and operation of the Colorado River Aqueduct are not considered a feasible addition to the park.

The study finds that operational costs for a boundary expansion of Joshua Tree National Park in the Eagle Mountain area would be feasible. Areas both feasible and potentially feasible would result in a 3.25-3.75% addition to overall park acreage. Most of the lands considered feasible

at this time are federal lands which could be transferred to the NPS with little cost. Such lands contain few structures or facilities that the NPS would have to maintain. Additional costs for development would be dependent on management priorities and approaches identified through implementation planning and the location, size, and configuration of future land acquisition. Socioeconomic impacts on local communities would largely be beneficial. Location of new mining claims would be precluded. However existing rights would be upheld subject to NPS policies and regulations for mining in national parks.

Protection Alternatives Considered

The final criterion for a boundary adjustment requires that there are not adequate alternatives for the management and protection of resources related to the purpose of the park. The study finds that other means for resource protection in the Eagle Mountain area are not adequate for long-term protection of resources related to Joshua Tree National Park’s purpose. Including lands in the Eagle Mountain area within the Joshua Tree National Park boundary would provide an opportunity to provide long-term comprehensive protection of the area and its resources (see *Alternative A: Continuation of Current Management - No Action* on page 6 for a description of existing uses and management policies). Without NPS management, the area would continue to be managed without a cohesive vision for protection or interpretive and educational opportunities, and it would remain open to incompatible uses. Given the configuration of the area in relationship to the park boundary, incompatible uses could have adverse impacts on park resources such as wildlife, water resources, and wilderness values. Including the study area lands within the national park also gives NPS the ability to conduct on-the-ground monitoring, inventories, and research. The NPS could also expend funds on restoration activities and facility improvements that could improve visitor access to the area.



Alternatives

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires federal agencies to explore a range of reasonable alternatives aimed at addressing the purpose of and need for the proposed action. The alternatives analyzed in this boundary study/EA, in accordance with NEPA, are based on the National Park Service (NPS) boundary adjustment criteria analysis. The alternatives meet the overall purpose and need for the proposed action.

ALTERNATIVE A: Continue Current Management (No Action)

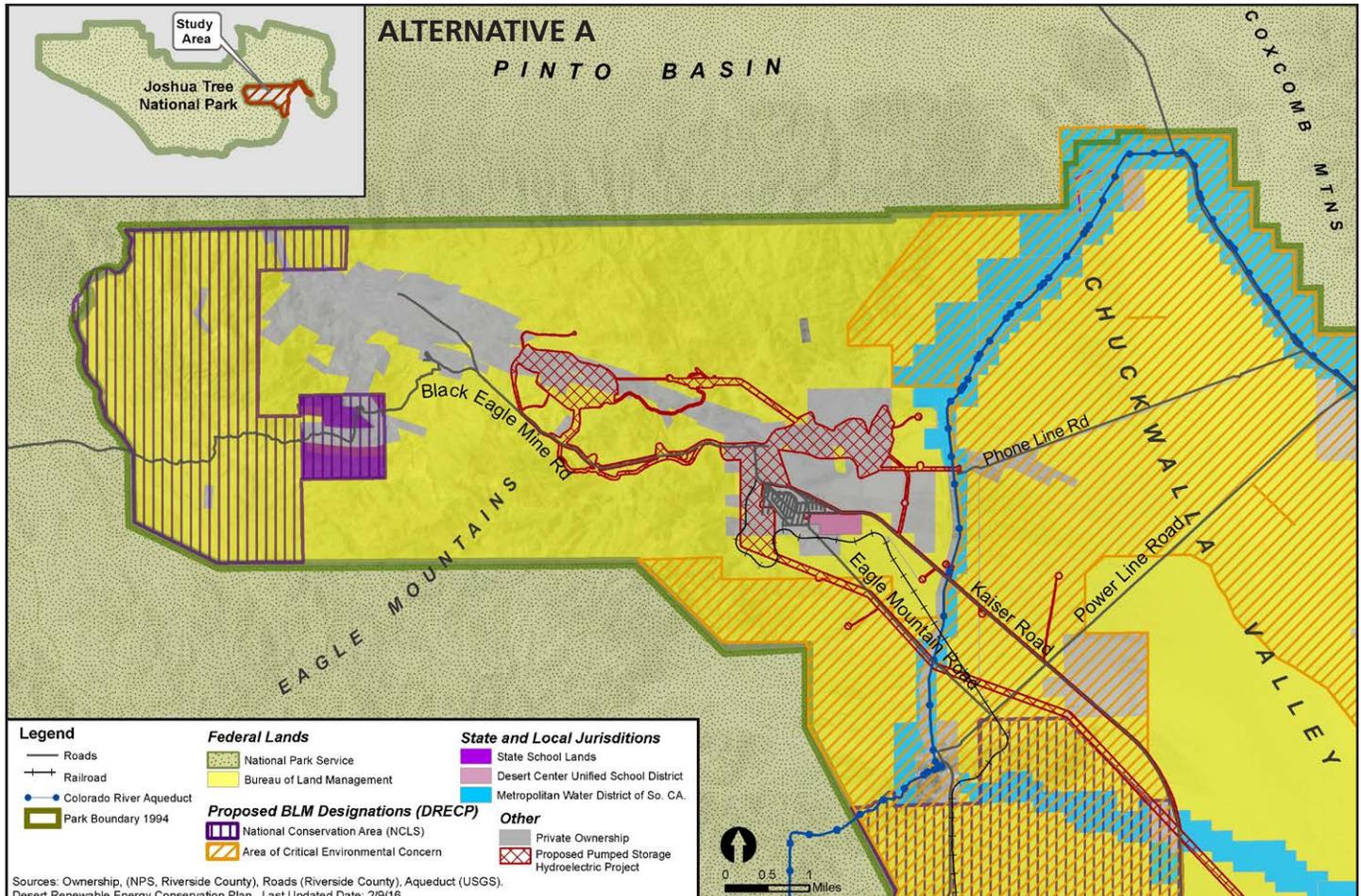
Under the No Action alternative, the park boundary of Joshua Tree National Park in the Eagle Mountain area would remain as it is today. More than half of the 31,500 acres under study would be open to resource intensive uses despite their proximity to one of the most pristine areas of the national park. No additional property would be included in the national park boundary, either by federal land transfer, donation, or through the use of appropriated funds.

Currently, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM)-managed federal lands within the study area fall within “limited” and “moderate” multiple use classes which allow a variety of allowable uses ranging from electric generation plants; gas, electric and transmission facilities and cables; communications sites; livestock grazing; mining; and low to moderate recreational activities as defined the *California Desert Conservation Area Plan*, as amended. While these activities may be allowed, the

multiple use class determines the manner in which the activity is allowed. Within the “limited” multiple use class the land is managed to provide for lower-intensity, carefully controlled multiple use of resources, while ensuring that sensitive values are not significantly diminished. Within the “moderate” multiple use class the land is managed to provide a controlled balance between higher intensity use and providing protection of public lands.

The BLM’s *Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan Proposed Land Use Plan Amendment, Phase 1* recognizes the national significance of the study area resources and proposes two separate BLM land use designations that would allow for greater protection the area’s resources. Within these proposed designations, BLM would place a special emphasis on managing resources in a National Conservation Lands area and within portions of a Chuckwalla Area of Critical Environmental Concern to ensure that uses do not impact nationally significant resources. However, these proposed protective designations only apply to roughly half of the BLM-managed lands within the study area. The remaining areas would continue to be open to the uses described above. It should be noted that the Record of Decision for this plan has not yet been completed.

There would be no change in ownership of lands that are owned and managed by state and local agencies. Private land would continue to be either undeveloped or used for industrial purposes according to local planning and zoning ordinances.



ALTERNATIVE B: Federal Agency-to-Agency Land Transfer

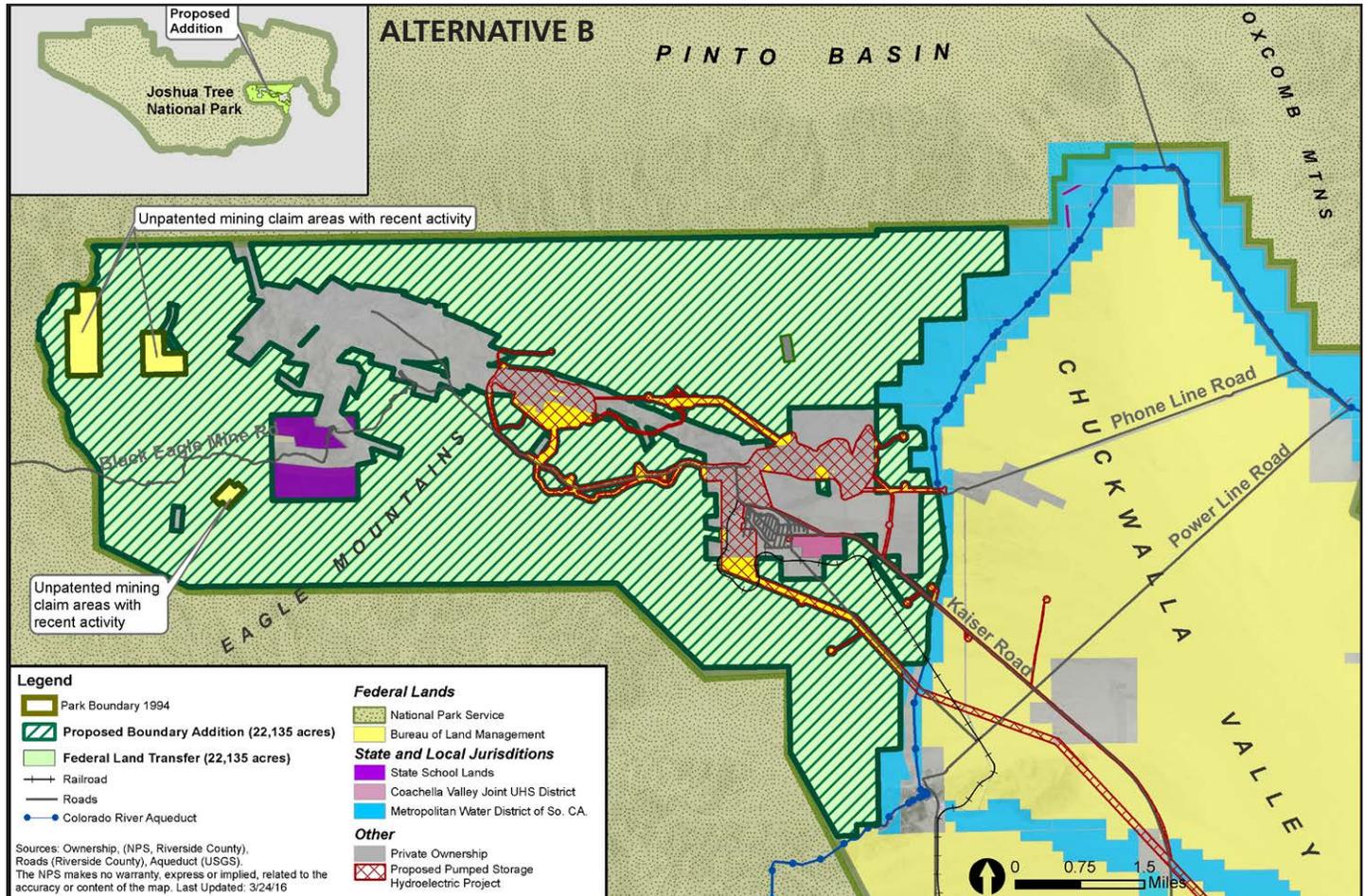
The Joshua Tree National Park boundary would be expanded to include approximately 22,135 acres of federal lands that would be transferred from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to the NPS for administration. All valid mineral rights would be retained by current claimants. Proposed transfer areas would not include BLM lands that have been previously withdrawn under the Federal Power Act for the proposed Eagle Mountain Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Project (620 acres). This project received a 50-year license from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) in June 2014. The NPS acknowledges that the footprint of the pumped storage hydroelectric project on the maps is based on preliminary design, and that this may change through further design and construction. The NPS would work with Eagle Crest Energy Company to ensure that if a boundary adjustment were implemented, that the final project footprint would be considered in the configuration.

Private lands and state and county-owned lands would not be included in the boundary and would continue to be used for existing purposes. Approximately 380 acres of lands in areas with recently established and actively mined unpatented mining claims would remain under BLM jurisdiction. However, if the claims were willingly relinquished or were no longer active, the NPS could pursue a transfer of administration. Such areas would need further survey to confirm locations and claim status. In the course of the study one claim was closed while two new claims were established.

State, local, and privately owned lands are not included in this boundary adjustment alternative. Uses of these lands would continue to be determined by state agencies or local planning and zoning ordinances.

Including the federal lands in the national park boundary would provide the NPS the opportunity to protect the transferred lands in tandem with NPS-managed properties within Joshua Tree National Park. Benefits include protection from development, seamless protection of existing habitat, and restoration opportunities for disturbed lands that may provide greater landscape connectivity for wildlife such as desert bighorn sheep.

New visitor opportunities in the Eagle Mountains could be explored (e.g. backcountry hiking, night sky viewing, and informal camping). NPS could explore improvement of Black Eagle Mine Road for safer visitor and staff travel. Other facilities that could be explored include trails, or camping areas. Consideration would also be given to areas where interpretive signage could provide information about the area and its history.



ALTERNATIVE C: Agency Transfer with Enhanced Habitat Connectivity and Recreation (NPS Preferred Alternative and Proposed Action)

In Alternative C, the boundary of Joshua Tree National Park would be expanded by approximately 25,070 acres. This would include 22,515 acres of federally owned and managed lands that would be considered for administrative transfer to the National Park Service. Also included would be approximately 2,230 acres of privately owned lands, and 325 acres of State School Lands west of the FERC license withdrawal area that have been determined feasible for addition to Joshua Tree National Park.

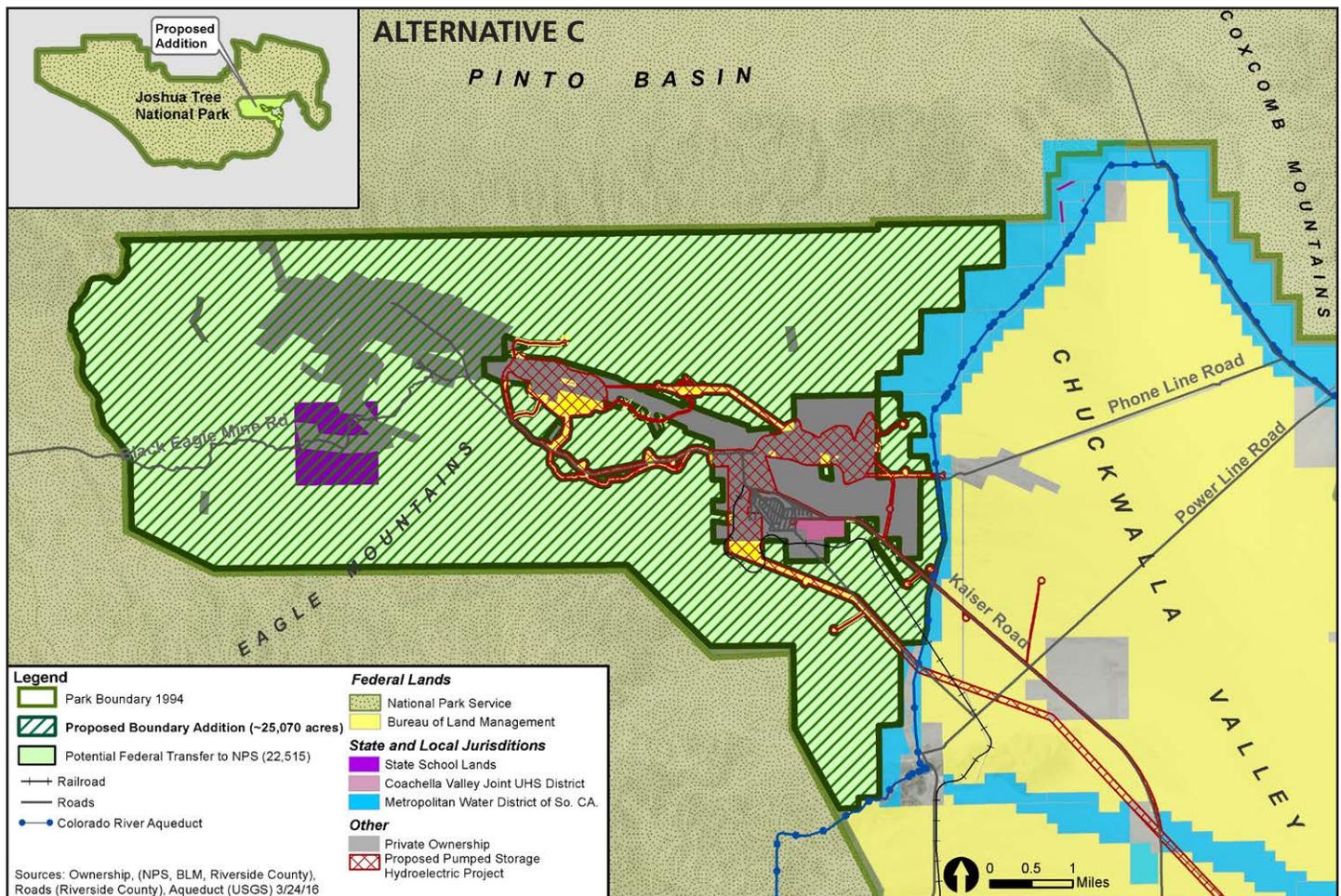
The boundary adjustment would not affect valid existing rights. All valid mineral rights would be retained by current claimants. Private land could be acquired when available, through donation or purchase by a third party from a willing seller (in fee) and donated to NPS. Eagle Crest Energy Company has indicated that it would consider donating lands not needed for the pumped storage hydroelectric project to the National Park Service. State School Lands could be acquired through a land exchange with the California State Lands Commission. Alternative C is the NPS preferred alternative and the proposed action.

The proposed boundary addition would not include BLM-managed lands that have been previously withdrawn under the Federal Power Act for the Eagle Crest Energy Company's Eagle Mountain Pumped Storage Project. This project received a 50-year license from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) in June 2014. The NPS would work with Eagle Crest Energy Company to ensure

that if a boundary adjustment were implemented, the final project footprint would be considered in the configuration.

This option could allow for greater protection of existing habitat, restoration opportunities, and landscape connectivity for wildlife such as bighorn sheep. Visitor opportunities would be similar to Alternative B. Public access would continue to be limited on private lands and to FERC energy license withdrawal lands. However, the NPS could explore with Eagle Crest Energy Company, opportunities to provide access from the private lands to the east where appropriate.

The long-term vision of the National Park Service would be to include in the park boundary all of the lands determined suitable for addition to Joshua Tree National Park. This would include an additional 3,530 acres that include the former Eagle Mountain Mine and Townsite, if existing uses of those lands change and subsequently become available to the NPS. Additional feasibility analysis environmental and environmental site assessments for these lands would likely be necessary at such time that they become available.



ALTERNATIVE D: Restore 1936 Boundary to Provide Diverse Visitor and Resource Protection Opportunities – Phased Approach

All areas west of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California’s aqueduct lands would be considered for inclusion in the Joshua Tree National Park boundary (approximately 28,600 acres), restoring lands that were removed from the NPS boundary in 1950. This boundary configuration represents a long-term vision to restore these lands to Joshua Tree National Park, providing an opportunity for comprehensive protection of the area’s resources. Some lands, such as the FERC-licensed pumped storage hydroelectric project, may not be available for decades. Such lands could be acquired when they are no longer needed for these purposes. The boundary adjustment would be implemented through Congressional legislation. Designation would not affect private land ownership or valid existing rights such as the FERC-licensed proposed Eagle Mountain Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Project. Most NPS regulations and policies apply only to federal lands managed by NPS. Some regulations may apply to certain activities such as mining.

This option could offer the greatest potential for long term protection of existing habitat and enhancing landscape-scale connectivity and restoration for area wildlife, including desert bighorn sheep. It would also provide an opportunity to fully protect cultural landscapes associated with historic mining, including the Eagle Mountain Townsite if such lands were to become available. A wider range of visitor opportunities could occur with greater access and more lands potentially available for park use.

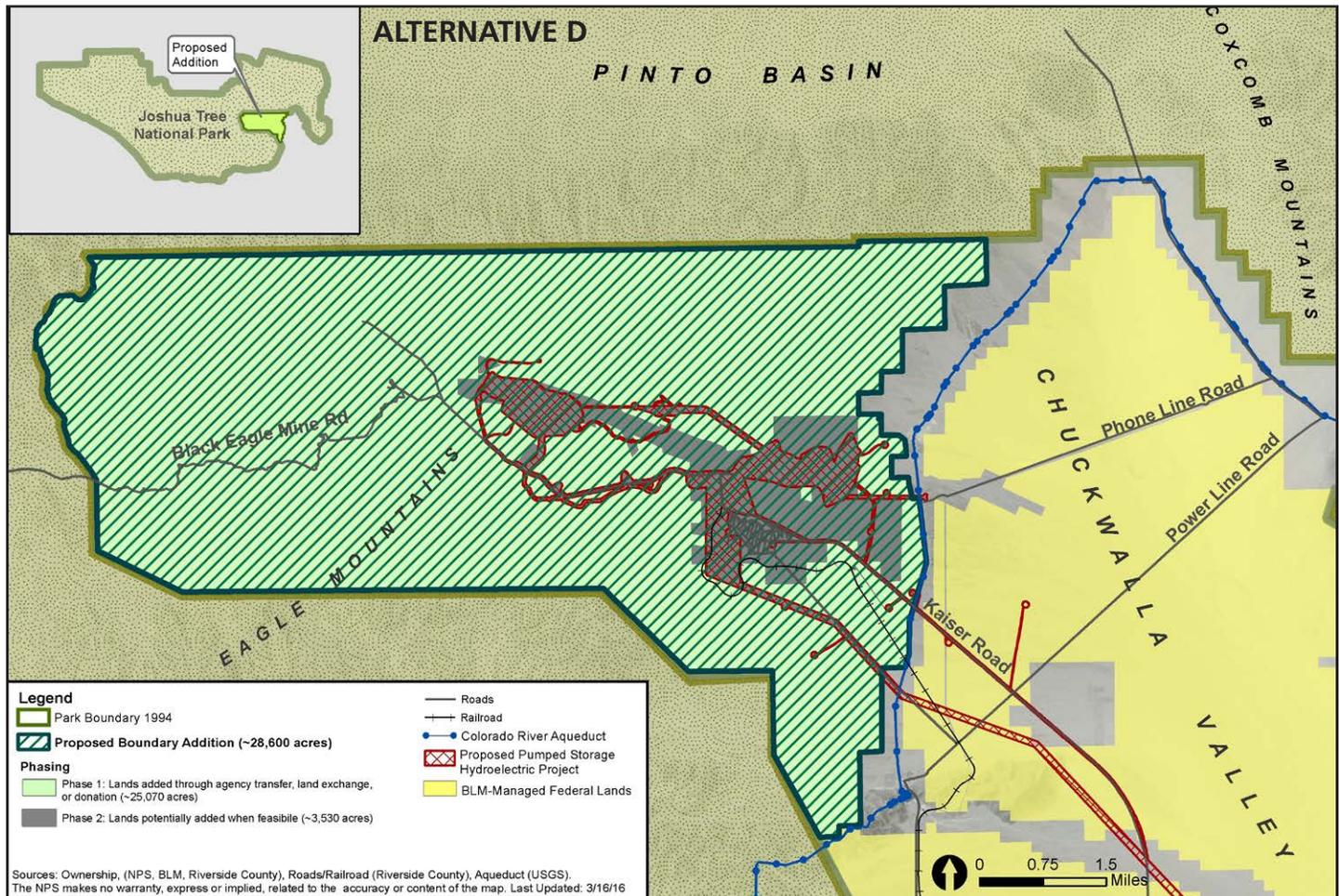
Phasing

Because not all lands are currently feasible for park management, NPS would implement a phased approach to land acquisition. Lands could be acquired by purchase from willing sellers, by land exchange, or by donation. Until such time that lands could be acquired by NPS, private, state, and locally owned lands would continue to be regulated by state and local authorities.

Phase 1 (~25,070 acres) would include: the transfer of approximately 22,515 acres of BLM-managed federal lands to NPS for administration as part of Joshua Tree National Park; approximately 2,230 acres of private lands west of the FERC-licensed withdrawal area; and State School Lands parcels (approximately 325 acres).

Phase 2 (~3,530 acres) would include all other lands determined potentially feasible, that could be acquired when current uses cease. This comprises lands associated with the proposed pumped storage hydroelectric project if at any time it is decommissioned; and lands formerly associated with the Eagle Mountain Mine and Townsite. These lands would be acquired only at such time as they become feasible for addition to the NPS.

Purchase of private lands would be from willing sellers only. Additional feasibility analysis for some lands may be necessary at such time that they become available to determine whether conditions have changed from the time of this study.



Environmental Consequences - Summary of Impacts

Four alternatives are analyzed for potential impacts to: natural, cultural, mineral, and visual resources; visitor opportunities and access; land use; park operations and socioeconomics. This analysis is the basis for comparing the advantages and disadvantages of the alternatives. Direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts were analyzed and described as beneficial or adverse. The following discussion summarizes the impacts of the alternatives considered, in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act.

Impacts from Alternative A

In Alternative A, there would be no change to land use management or ownership in the study area. However, some restrictions to uses such as mining or energy development could result from approval and implementation of land use designations proposed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in the *Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan* (DRECP). Cumulative adverse impacts to wildlife and special status wildlife species could occur from loss of habitat as a result of development projects in and around the study area. This creates the potential for numerous, long term, severe, adverse impacts to the health of wildlife. Bighorn sheep and desert tortoise movement corridors could be impeded, reducing gene flow and resulting in adverse effects to local populations. The continuation of existing land use policies in Alternative A could also result in the destruction or removal of prehistoric, historic, or archeological resources. There could be cumulative adverse effects to groundwater resources as future renewable energy projects are constructed in and adjacent to the study area. Existing visitor use and access would continue. However, no additional visitor programs or recreational opportunities would be offered. There would be no effect on park operations or the socioeconomic environment of the local area or county.

Impacts from Alternative B

In Alternative B, federal land use management would change with the transfer of administrative jurisdiction of approximately 22,135 acres of federal lands from the BLM to the NPS. Under NPS regulations and policies, renewable energy projects, new mining claims, and some visitor uses would be restricted, resulting in an adverse effect on these uses. Alternatively, these same changes would result in positive long term benefits from preservation of land with significant natural, cultural, scenic and scientific values. Existing mineral rights would be retained and mining activities on NPS-managed lands would be subject to NPS regulations under the Mining the Parks Act (36 CFR Part 9, Subpart A). Owners of six unpatented mining claim areas that are currently being mined would remain under BLM management, reducing the effects of NPS regulations on current use. Alternative B would benefit wildlife and cultural resources by preventing loss of resources from future development projects. NPS management would prioritize water conservation resulting in beneficial effects on groundwater resources. Scenic viewsheds would be preserved and protected. There would be no effect on mining or other land uses on private land such as the proposed Eagle Mountain Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Project. Alternative B would require additional NPS funding, staff, and management responsibilities; however,

the ability to invest NPS resources to survey, study, and plan for park resources and mitigate safety hazards would be beneficial to operations. The existence of inholdings under other management authorities within national park boundaries would have an adverse effect on operations by increasing management complexity for both agencies. Socioeconomic effects would be largely beneficial as park visitors typically provide an economic benefit to the surrounding community; however, without new roads or access from Desert Center, visitation and socioeconomic benefits would be minimal.

Impacts from Alternative C

Similar to Alternative B, a change in federal land use management with a transfer of administrative jurisdiction of federal lands from the BLM to the NPS could have both beneficial and adverse effects to certain land use and visitor activities. Some visitor activities such as off-highway vehicle use and establishment of new mining claims would be limited and/or prohibited. However, new opportunities for visitors could also occur as a result of NPS management. Impacts to current mining activities on unpatented claims could be more greatly affected as result of NPS mining regulations. The effect on future commercial mining is small because no large scale mining occurs in the area now and there are no current plans pending for industrial mining on federal lands. The benefits to natural and cultural resources would be similar to Alternative B except that there would be an even greater level of preservation due to the additional land that would be protected. Groundwater resources would benefit from the additional land preservation and NPS water conservation measures. Effects on viewsheds would be similar to Alternative B, except greater since Alternative C would preserve viewsheds on an additional ~3,000 acres of land. The more contiguous park boundary in Alternative C would result in consistency in the application of land use policies for the area having a beneficial effect on park management and operations over Alternative B.

Impacts from Alternative D

In the near term, impacts from Alternative D would be the same as those described for Alternative C. However, in the long-term, if fully implemented, Alternative D could result in the greatest benefits to natural and cultural resources because over time most study area lands would be managed by the NPS for resource protection and public enjoyment. The advantages of comprehensive land and resource management by NPS would be great as large areas of protected open space would facilitate protection of key wildlife corridors and other landscape-scale values. Beneficial effects on cultural resources could result from the possible adaptive re-use and/or interpretation of structures associated with the Eagle Mountain Mine and Townsite structures if they became available. Alternative D could make park operations and management more complex in some ways, and simpler in others. It would incorporate lands with considerable infrastructure to maintain which could result in increased costs. However, it would also provide the most opportunities for comprehensive protection of resources as well as expanded recreation and visitor use.



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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

DATE: May 04, 2016 CONSENT CALENDAR
SUBJECT: Authorization to allow Palm Springs to participate in the CaliforniaFIRST PACE Program
FROM: David H. Ready, City Manager
BY: Office of Sustainability

SUMMARY:

CaliforniaFIRST operates under AB 811 and is enrolled in the Open PACE program, which has oversight from the California Statewide Communities Development Authority (CSCDA). This action requests City Council approval to allow the CaliforniaFIRST program to operate within the City of Palm Springs, as an additional option available to Palm Springs residents pursuing financing of energy efficiency improvements on their real property.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Resolution No. _____, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, CONSENTING TO THE INCLUSION OF PROPERTIES WITHIN THE TERRITORY OF THE CITY IN THE CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE COMMUNITIES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (CSCDA) OPEN PACE PROGRAMS; AUTHORIZING THE CSCDA TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FROM PROPERTY OWNERS, CONDUCT CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENT PROCEEDINGS AND LEVY CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE TERRITORY OF THE CITY; AND AUTHORIZING RELATED ACTIONS."

BACKGROUND:

Assembly Bill (AB) 811 was signed into law on July 21, 2008, and AB 474, effective January 1, 2010, amended Chapter 29 of Part 3 of Division 7 of the Streets & Highways Code of the State of California ("Chapter 29") and authorizes a legislative body to designate an area within which authorized public officials and willing property owners may enter into voluntary contractual assessment programs known as Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) programs. PACE programs are intended to finance the installation of distributed generation renewable energy sources, energy efficiency, and/or water conservation improvements that are permanently fixed to real property.

The City of Palm Springs and Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) have both approved implementation of PACE programs on a city and regional level. The City of Palm Springs currently has three programs operating within City boundaries

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including HERO, Ygrene and Figtree. CVAG has endorsed these and staff has developed a consistent process for vetting potential PACE programs.

The CaliforniaFIRST program represents the fourth PACE program considered for adoption by the City. The first PACE program adopted in the Coachella Valley was adopted only by the City of Palm Springs in 2012; this program, finalized December 2012 by the City of Palm Springs, is known as the FIGTREE program. Subsequently, CVAG has provided regional coordination with PACE programs within the Coachella Valley, and formally vetted two other programs: Ygren and HERO. The City adopted the Ygrene program on June 5, 2013, and adopted the HERO program on January 15, 2015. Those PACE programs adopted valley wide through CVAG rather than City by City have proven to be the most successful.

STAFF ANALYSIS:

CaliforniaFIRST is now the third PACE program formally vetted and recommended for approval by CVAG. The CaliforniaFIRST program gives the City of Palm Springs another PACE program that provides property owners a choice among multiple pre-qualified PACE financing providers based on their rates, experience and capital commitment to the California PACE market. There are currently three approved PACE providers authorized by CSCDA under the Open PACE¹ program; CaliforniaFIRST is one of these approved providers and the CSCDA provides oversight of this program.

CSCDA's function is similar to that provided by CVAG for the CV Upgrade/Ygrene program and by Western Riverside Council of Governments for the HERO program. The consumer protection policies and procedures adopted by CVAG are used by CSCDA for this PACE program and are adopted by CaliforniaFIRST. These are the same policies used by the City's already implemented PACE programs.

Just as Ygrene is the administrator for the CV Upgrade program, Renew Financial is the administrator for the CaliforniaFIRST program. Similarly, Renovate America² is the contract administrator for the HERO program. Renew Financial was founded in 2008 by Cisco DeVries, who brought together a multidisciplinary team of experts in finance, technology, operations and government policy to innovate the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing model. Renew Financial is an Oakland, California based company that CVAG will be the designated authority in agreement with Renew Financial. This provides Renew Financial the ability to be a PACE provider in the Coachella Valley with CVAG oversight of the CaliforniaFIRST program and consistency with the policies, procedures and oversight that are currently in place with existing programs. This agreement allows CVAG to provide oversight to: 1) minimize issues that may arise from the operation of multiple programs simultaneously in the Coachella Valley; 2) assist with marketing and outreach; 3) coordinate with and assist the City; and 4) handle property owner or contractor complaints.

¹ <http://cscda.org/Open-PACE>

² <https://renovateamerica.com/>

Upon adoption of the Resolution, the City will allow CaliforniaFIRST to operate within the City, with CVAG overseeing its administration by Renew Financial. Pursuant to the agreement with CVAG and Renew Financial:

1. Renew Financial will:
 - a. Provide all administration and financing of the program at no cost to the City. At this time, the program is anticipated to be available only for residential property owners.
 - b. Serve as the program administrator for the CaliforniaFIRST program. And will participate in the program for the Coachella Valley as conduit issuer of bonds while coordinating with CVAG.
2. CVAG will provide program oversight including:
 - a. Review and approve projects submitted by property owners participating in the CaliforniaFIRST program within the CVAG region.
 - b. Coordinate with Renew Financial on program marketing and outreach, to ensure that marketing and outreach is compatible with existing PACE programs and property owners in the CVAG region are aware of the other PACE programs.
 - c. Provide Renew Financial with a "local presence" at the CVAG offices.

CaliforniaFIRST is a public/private financing PACE program administered by Renew Financial. CaliforniaFIRST operates under AB 811 and is enrolled in the Open PACE program, which has oversight from the CSCDA. The CSCDA was created in 1988, under California's Joint Exercise of Powers Act, to provide California's local governments an effective tool for the timely financing of community-based public benefit projects, such as the Open PACE program. Palm Springs previously became a member agency of the CSCDA.

Similar to our other three existing PACE programs, the CaliforniaFIRST Program is offered to allow property owners in participating cities and counties to finance renewable energy, energy and water efficiency improvements on their property. If a property owner chooses to participate, the installed improvements will be financed by the issuance of bonds. The bonds are secured by a voluntary contractual assessment levied on the owner's property, with no recourse to the local government. Property owners who wish to participate in the program agree to repay the amount borrowed through the voluntary contractual assessment collected together with their property taxes.

Some benefits to property owners include cost savings, the payment obligation stays with the property, and a prepayment option. Potential benefits to the City include increased local jobs, increase in property values and increase in sales, payroll and property tax revenue. As in conventional assessment financing, the City is not obligated to repay bonds or to pay delinquent assessments levied on the participating properties.

For our City to participate in the CaliforniaFIRST program we must adopt the resolution accompanying this staff report. This enables the CaliforniaFIRST Program to be available to owners of property within our City to finance renewable energy, energy efficiency and water efficiency improvements.

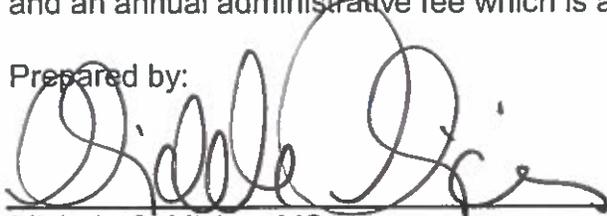
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This action is not considered a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act, because the action does not involve any commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment, as contemplated by Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 15378(b)(4). Therefore no negative environmental impact is noted.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No negative fiscal impact to the City of Palm Springs will be incurred by consenting to the inclusion of properties within the City limits in the CaliforniaFIRST Program. CaliforniaFIRST Program administrative costs are covered through an initial administrative fee included in the property owner's voluntary contractual assessment and an annual administrative fee which is also collected on the property owner's tax bill.

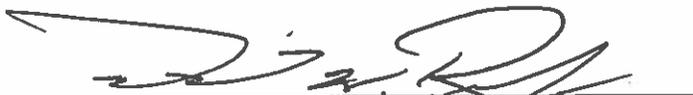
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City Manager

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. California FIRST FAQ
3. Consumer Protection Information
4. Participating California FIRST areas

ATTACHMENT 1

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, CONSENTING TO THE INCLUSION OF PROPERTIES WITHIN THE TERRITORY OF THE CITY IN THE CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE COMMUNITIES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (CSCDA) OPEN PACE PROGRAMS; AUTHORIZING THE CSCDA TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FROM PROPERTY OWNERS, CONDUCT CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENT PROCEEDINGS AND LEVY CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE TERRITORY OF THE CITY; AND AUTHORIZING RELATED ACTIONS

WHEREAS, the California Statewide Communities Development Authority (the "Authority") is a joint exercise of powers authority, the members of which include numerous cities and counties in the State of California, including the City of Palm Springs; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is implementing Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) programs, which it has designated CSCDA Open PACE, consisting of CSCDA Open PACE programs each administered by a separate program administrator (collectively with any successors, assigns, replacements or additions, the "Programs"), to allow the financing or refinancing of renewable energy, energy efficiency, water efficiency and seismic strengthening improvements, electric vehicle charging infrastructure and such other improvements, infrastructure or other work as may be authorized by law from time to time (collectively, the "Improvements") through the levy of contractual assessments pursuant to Chapter 29 of Division 7 of the Streets & Highways Code ("Chapter 29") within counties and cities throughout the State of California that consent to the inclusion of properties within their respective territories in the Programs and the issuance of bonds from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the program administrators currently active in administering Programs are the AllianceNRG Program (presently consisting of Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., CounterPointe Energy Solutions LLC and Leidos Engineering, LLC), PACE Funding LLC and Renewable Funding LLC, and the Authority will notify the City of Palm Springs in advance of any additions or changes; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 29 provides that assessments may be levied under its provisions only with the free and willing consent of the owner or owners of each lot or parcel on which an assessment is levied at the time the assessment is levied; and

WHEREAS, the City of Palm Springs desires to allow the owners of property ("Participating Property Owners") within its territory to participate in the Programs and to allow the Authority to conduct assessment proceedings under Chapter 29 within its territory and to issue bonds to finance or refinance Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the territory within which assessments may be levied for the Programs shall include all of the territory within the City of Palm Springs official boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the Authority will conduct all assessment proceedings under Chapter 29 for the Programs and issue any bonds issued in connection with the Programs; and

WHEREAS, the City will not be responsible for the conduct of any assessment proceedings; the levy of assessments; any required remedial action in the case of delinquencies in such assessment payments; or the issuance, sale or administration of any bonds issued in connection with the Programs;

NOW, THEREFORE THE CITY COUNCIL DETERMINES, RESOLVES AND APPROVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. This City Council hereby finds and declares that properties in the territory of the City will benefit from the availability of the Programs within the territory of the City and, pursuant thereto, the conduct of special assessment proceedings by the Authority pursuant to Chapter 29 and the issuance of bonds to finance or refinance Improvements.

Section 2. In connection with the Programs, the City hereby consents to the conduct of special assessment proceedings by the Authority pursuant to Chapter 29 on any property within the territory of the City and the issuance of bonds to finance or refinance Improvements; provided, that:

(1) The Participating Property Owners, who shall be the legal owners of such property, execute a contract pursuant to Chapter 29 and comply with other applicable provisions of California law in order to accomplish the valid levy of assessments; and

(2) The City will not be responsible for the conduct of any assessment proceedings; the levy of assessments; any required remedial action in the case of delinquencies in such assessment payments; or the issuance, sale or administration of any bonds issued in connection with the Programs.

Section 3. The appropriate officials and staff of the City are hereby authorized and directed to make applications for the Programs available to all property owners who wish to finance or refinance Improvements; provided, that the Authority shall be responsible for providing such applications and related materials at its own expense. The following staff persons, together with any other staff persons chosen by the City Manager of the City from time to time, are hereby designated as the contact persons for the Authority in connection with the Programs: Sustainability Manager.

Section 4. The appropriate officials and staff of the City are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver such certificates, requisitions, agreements and related documents as are reasonably required by the Authority to implement the Programs.

Section 5. The City Council hereby finds that adoption of this Resolution is not a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act, because the Resolution does not involve any commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment, as contemplated by Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 15378(b)(4).

Section 6. This Resolution shall take effect once it is adopted only for a program administrator who has entered into an administration agreement with the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) and provides the City a fully executed copy of such agreement with CVAG. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Authority at: Secretary of the Board, California Statewide Communities Development Authority, 1400 K Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

Adopted this 4th day of May, 2016.

CITY OF PALM SPRINGS

David H. Ready
City Manager

ATTEST:

James Thompson
City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) ss.
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS)

I, JAMES THOMPSON, City Clerk of the City of Palm Springs, hereby certify that Resolution No. _____ is a full, true and correct copy, and was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Palm Springs on May 4, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

James Thompson, City Clerk
City of Palm Springs, California

ATTACHMENT 2



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

CaliforniaFIRST is a government-supported PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) financing program that provides upfront funding for home energy efficiency, renewable energy and water saving improvements. With CaliforniaFIRST PACE financing, there's no out-of-pocket cost, and you repay on your property tax bill over the course of up to 25 years.

1. What is CaliforniaFIRST?

CaliforniaFIRST is a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing program for residential and commercial properties. CaliforniaFIRST allows property owners to finance the installation of energy and water improvements on homes or businesses without putting any money down.

Property owners pay back the funds that were used to finance their home improvement project as a line item on their property tax bill.

CaliforniaFIRST is a public/private partnership, administered by Renew Financial. The program is sponsored by the California Statewide Community Development Authority (CSCDA).

2. How do I know if my city or county is participating in CaliforniaFIRST?

CaliforniaFIRST is available to more than 13 million Californians in cities and counties across the state, from San Diego to Humboldt and El Dorado to Monterey. See the CaliforniaFIRST website for a list of all participating jurisdictions.

CaliforniaFIRST may only accept financing applications from property owners located in jurisdictions that have opted in to the program. Local governments around the state can join CaliforniaFIRST by passing a simple "opt-in" resolution.

Give us a call if you have questions about getting your city or county involved in the program.

3. How is CaliforniaFIRST different from traditional financing?

CaliforniaFIRST is financed through assessments collected on the property tax bill, and the assessment obligation is almost always assumed by the new owner when the property is sold.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

4. Does CaliforniaFIRST use taxpayer dollars to fund projects or administer the program?

No. CaliforniaFIRST uses private capital to fund every project. Costs to administer the program are paid by program participants through fees that are rolled into each project's financing.

County tax assessors and tax collectors incur small costs to place each PACE assessment on the tax rolls and to collect and distribute the PACE assessment payments. Counties are reimbursed for these costs through the above-mentioned fees. Cities do not incur any costs as a result of opting in to the program.

5. What are the benefits?

CaliforniaFIRST solves many of the financial hurdles facing property owners wanting to install energy and water improvements:

- Competitive, fixed interest rates (which are effectively even more competitive when homeowners are eligible to deduct the interest portion of the PACE payments from their taxes)
- Up to a 25-year payback term
- Decreased utility bills from reduced electricity and water usage
- Qualifying for financing does not consider FICO score
- The PACE lien payment obligation usually transfers to the new owner if the property is sold

6. Is this a voluntary program?

Yes. Utilizing CaliforniaFIRST financing is completely voluntary. Properties and property owners that don't participate remain unaffected.

7. How do I qualify for financing?

Qualifying for CaliforniaFIRST financing is primarily based on:

- The property's estimated market value;
 - The amount of the property owner's equity in the property;
 - The property owner's recent mortgage and property tax payment history; and
 - The dollar value of the proposed renewable energy and energy- and water-saving improvements.
- Qualifying is not based on FICO score.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

8. How much money can I borrow?

The minimum amount that can be financed is \$5,000. The maximum financing amount is 15% of the property value, but may not exceed \$200,000.

9. What are the interest rates?

As of March 25, 2015, our interest rates are:

Years to Repay	Interest Rates
5	6.75%
10	7.59%
15	7.99%
20	8.29%
25	8.39%

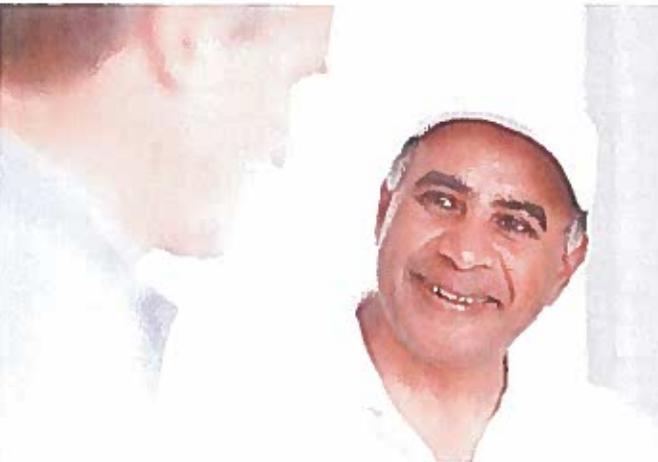
Consult with your contractor to confirm if interest rates have changed.

10. How is the length of the repayment period determined?

Repayment periods can be 5, 10, 15, 20 or 25 years, depending on your preference and are limited by the expected useful life of the most costly product of the project's CaliforniaFIRST-financed improvements.

11. How does repayment work?

As a property owner applying to CaliforniaFIRST, you will agree to the levy by CSCDA of a "contractual assessment" on your property. You will receive funds to pay the up-front costs of installing the approved improvements. The PACE assessment will appear as a new line item on your property tax bill.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

12. Are there any penalties for prepayment of the PACE assessment?

There are no penalties for paying all or a portion of the PACE assessment early. Please see Question 19 below for additional information.

13. What happens when I sell my property?

As part of the property record, the assessment will be disclosed at the time of property sale, and the remaining unpaid balance of the financed amount may be transferred to the new property owner.

14. Can CaliforniaFIRST finance solar leases or Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs)?

Yes, pre-paid solar leases and PPAs can be financed through CaliforniaFIRST.

15. Do I need to complete an energy audit of my home?

No, but it is encouraged. In certain cases you may want to have a qualified auditor evaluate your home to determine the most cost-effective measures to reduce the home's energy use.

The costs of an energy assessment can be financed with CaliforniaFIRST financing.

16. Is there an application fee?

No, there is no fee to apply for CaliforniaFIRST.

17. Why do you need my Social Security Number on the application?

As part of the application, CaliforniaFIRST requests a credit bureau report for each homeowner. FICO score is NOT used as part of the application, but other elements of the credit report such as mortgage payment history are necessary to determine maximum financing amounts.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

18. Can I use any contractor?

In order to participate, contractors must be registered with CaliforniaFIRST. As long as contractors meet program requirements, they can quickly and easily register by visiting californiafirst.org/contractor.

All participating contractors must have a valid and active contractor's license with the Contractors State License Board.

19. How are tax credits, rebates and other incentives incorporated into CaliforniaFIRST financing?

We encourage you to pursue available Federal Investment Tax Credits (ITCs), utility rebates and any other incentives. All or a portion of total incentives may be subtracted from the amount financed under the program; however, it is not required that the financed amount be reduced by the estimated value of the incentives.

Once you receive your rebates and tax credits, those funds may be used to pay down the PACE assessment balance; the balance would then be re-amortized, resulting in lower annual PACE assessment payments.

20. Is the interest on the PACE assessment payment tax deductible?

The interest portion of payments made under the CaliforniaFIRST Assessment Contract may be deductible for income tax purposes.

The interest portion will vary from year to year, and any tax savings will depend on your tax bracket and other variables. Consult with your tax advisor to determine if, and to what extent, you may deduct the interest component of payments made under the Assessment Contract.

21. Who do I contact with additional questions?

CaliforniaFIRST staff are available 8 am to 9 pm Monday to Friday and 9 am to 6 pm Saturday to answer additional questions. We can also be reached via email at info@californiafirst.org or by phone at 844-589-7953.

CaliforniaFIRST is administered by Renew Financial.



CaliforniaFIRST is sponsored by the California Statewide Communities Development Authority (CSCDA), a joint powers authority co-sponsored by the California State Association of Counties and the League of California Cities.

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For additional information, please visit californiafirst.org or call 844-589-7953

ATTACHMENT 3

CSCDA

Open PACE Consumer Protection Policies

Version 1.0

(Residential PACE Program)

November 30, 2015

OVERVIEW

Property assessed clean energy (“PACE”) programs enable an unprecedented range of homeowners to access energy efficiency, renewable energy, and water efficiency measures that improve the financial, functional and environmental aspects of home ownership. Improvements such as these make homes less costly to operate and more comfortable to live in, while simultaneously reducing energy and water consumption. Without PACE Programs many homeowners would have no, or costly, access to such benefits.

PACE Programs (“PACE Programs” or the “Program”), including the government authority sponsoring and administering them (“Authority”, Program Administrator” or “Administrator”) and, where applicable, the entity or entities who help implement them (“Partner”), deliver tools and resources that enable homeowners to make smart, informed and responsible choices regarding such measures (“Measures”). Appropriate use of such tools is the responsibility of all Programs, which means that care needs to be taken with homeowners before, during and after origination of Program financing. In other words, consumer protections that serve homeowners must be a core value of the Program, the Authority and the Partner. In this document, “Partner” refers to the government authority in all cases where the Program does not include a third party non-government partner.

The baseline consumer protection policies of the Program cover the following areas: (i) Risk, (ii) Disclosures and Documentation, (iii) Financing Terms, (iv) Operations, (v) Post-Funding Support, (vi) Data Security, (vii) Privacy, (viii) Marketing and Communications, (ix) Protected Classes, (x) Contractors, (xi) Eligible Products, (xii) Pricing, (xiii) Reporting, (xiv) Closing & Funding and (xv) Examination. These Policies provide homeowners with a greater level of consumer protection than any other form of financing. They also guide the Program’s implementation, enabling the transformation of its potential into tangible benefits for homeowners.

1. RISK

Policy Summary: The Program blends traditional credit risk considerations together with statutory requirements and legislative policy to develop risk criteria that are fitted to the Program. These criteria take into account the unique risk profile that this form of financing presents to enable qualifying homeowners to access it. While this process will exclude unqualified homeowners and properties, special consideration has been given to developing inclusive standards. These criteria examine four key attributes of every financed project: (i) the real property on which the improvements will be installed ("Property" or "Properties"), (ii) the encumbrances presently recorded against the Property, (iii) the nature of the improvements to be installed; and (iv) the homeowner's mortgage and property tax payment history.

- 1.1. **Properties.** Consistent with foundational considerations, it is the policy of the Program to make the Program available to the entirety of the existing residential housing stock in political boundaries of the Program. Properties for which this form of financing is not available include: (i) commercial properties (including residential properties comprising four (4) or more units), (ii) new properties under construction and (iii) tax exempt properties (properties not subject to levy), such as tribal, non-profit or state-owned residential properties. If requested in good faith by the homeowner applying for the Program, the Partner is responsible for completing a "second look" eligibility review of all applications related to properties initially determined to be excluded, re-examining the specific attributes of the Property in question and confirming or modifying the original determination.
- 1.2. **Encumbrances.** The encumbrance profile of Properties is an important element of the decisioning process for Program participation. The Program is designed to harness unused financing capacity of homes in which eligible improvements are installed. Such financing is inappropriate if it burdens Properties and their owners too greatly. Accordingly, Properties eligible for Program financing will have the following attributes:
 - 1.2.1. All mortgage-related debt on the Property may not exceed 90% of the Property's fair market value ("FMV"), or assessed value if market value data is unavailable or unreliable, at the time of initial approval;
 - 1.2.2. Reliability of the Program FMV model should be verified through an accepted and regular audit process, sampling appraisal data as a means of measurement and verification;
 - 1.2.3. The financing may not exceed (i) fifteen percent (15%) of the FMV of the Property, up to the first seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000) of the Property's FMV, and (ii) ten percent (10%) of the remaining value of the Property above seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000);
 - 1.2.4. The total mortgage-related debt on the underlying Property plus Program financing

may not exceed the FMV of the Property; and

1.2.5. The total amount of any annual property taxes and assessments shall not exceed five percent (5%) of the Property's FMV, determined at the time Program financing is approved.

1.3. Eligible Improvements. The Program provides financing for a broad range of eligible products and projects permanently-affixed to the Property, the details of which are set forth in Section 11 below. The Program is not available to finance ineligible products and projects, which comprise everything not specified in Section 11. While the Program is responsible for confirming compliance with the Section 11 requirements, it is not responsible for determining post-installation energy performance, savings or efficacy of such products or projects. The Program relies on U.S. Department of Energy, the Environmental Protection Agency and other government agencies in determining what constitutes an Eligible Improvement.

1.4. Homeowners. PACE Program assessments appear as line items on property tax bills and homeowners repay their financing when they pay their property tax bills. The mortgage and property tax payment history of homeowners of record thus is an important decisioning element of Program eligibility criteria. Accordingly, at the time of application, homeowners eligible for Program financing will have status and payment histories that are consistent with the following:

1.4.1. The Applicants are the owners of record;

1.4.2. Property tax payments for the assessed Property are current. Additionally, the homeowner must certify that there is no more than one late payment for the shorter of (i) the previous three years, or (ii) since the present homeowner acquired the Property;

1.4.3. Homeowner(s) are current on all mortgage debt, and have been late on such payments no more than once (30 days maximum) during the 12-month period preceding funding;

1.4.4. No homeowner applicant has had any active bankruptcies within the last 7 years; provided, however, that this criterion can be met if a homeowner's bankruptcy was discharged between two and seven years before the application date, and the homeowner(s) have had no payments (mortgage and non-mortgage) past due for more than 60 days in the most recent 24 months; and

1.4.5. Homeowner(s) have no involuntary lien(s) recorded against the Property in excess of \$1,000.

2. DISCLOSURES & DOCUMENTATION

Policy Summary: The documentation of the Program gives it shape, integrity and enforceability. Program participation documentation embodies principles key to the Program such as clarity, fairness, compliance, disclosure, knowledge and completeness. A reader who has spent time with the documentation should develop an unambiguous understanding of each and every right, risk and obligation associated with the Program's financing product. PACE is a new form of financing that, while sharing some features of traditional financing, presents new considerations for homeowners. Disclosures covering Program financing's unique repayment cycle (annual or semiannual) and the Federal Housing Finance Authority announcement regarding payoff of Program financing at the time of sale or refinance are among the new considerations. Best practices counsel the Program to disclose traditional financing terms (e.g., interest rates, financing term, payment amounts) as well. In the end, a homeowner who understands the Program's disclosures will be informed and have a clear understanding of the Program's traditional and non-traditional features.

- 2.1. Document timing. Before commencement of any Program-financed project, a homeowner needs to: (i) submit an application; (ii) receive approval of the Measures from the Partner; and (iii) execute documentation covering the terms described in this Section and in the Disclosures summarized in this Section. Following construction of the Measures, a homeowner needs to: (i) execute an acknowledgement that the installation of the Measures has been completed satisfactorily; and (ii) receive a final summary of costs and payments. Delivery to, and execution of all such documentation by, the homeowner is the responsibility of the Partner.
- 2.2. Terms. Terms that are fundamental to the Program and that need to be reflected in its documents comprise: (i) the amount financed, fees and capitalized interest included, (ii) the repayment process and schedule, (iii) the payment amounts, (iv) a term that does not exceed the useful life of the improvements, (v) the rate of interest charged, (vi) a rate of interest that is fixed (not variable), (vii) a payment schedule that fully amortizes the amount financed, (viii) the nature of the lien created upon recordation, (ix) the specific improvements to be installed, (x) the 3-day right to cancel the financing, (xi) the right to withhold approval of payment until the project is complete, and (xii) Section 5899.2 rights for solar lease improvements. It is the responsibility of the Partner to prepare, deliver and arrange for execution of documents reflecting such terms.
- 2.3. Disclosures Policies. Disclosures heighten homeowner's awareness of key program financing terms and risks that appear in the Program terms and documentation. It is the policy of the Program that Partners confirm delivery to, and receipt by, homeowners of

these disclosures, and obtain written acknowledgement that homeowners have read and understand them. The following comprise the key disclosures of the Program provided by Partners in a financing summary in the form attached hereto as Attachment A.

Disclosures	Description
Term of financing	The maximum time period of the financing
Amount financed	The total amount financed, including fees and capitalized interest
Annual payment amount	The amount due each year, even if paid in semi-annual installments or through impound payments
Annual interest rate/APR	The effective interest rate after taking into account all fees and capitalized interest
Improvements financed	The Measures installed
FHFA risks	The risk that the homeowner may need to pay off the PACE assessment at the time of sale or refinance
Right to cancel	The 3-day right to rescind the financing
Prepayment	The right to prepay the Program financing without penalty

The following comprise additional key disclosures of the Program provided by Partners.

Disclosures	Description
Program overview	A document or section of a document that provides a comprehensive summary of the Program, including a summary of a homeowner's rights and obligations
Property tax repayment process	Payment of a homeowner's property tax bill that will include a line item related to the installed Measures
Tax benefits	Benefits associated with the purchase of certain Measures and the annual payments related to them.
Privacy	A notice describing the privacy policies of the Program
Federal disclosures	Those appearing in the Program application
Foreclosure	The foreclosure process in the event of a homeowner default

2.4 Confirmation of Terms. For all Program financing applications associated with contractors that are either new to the Program or are on a Partner's "watch list" (i.e. those contractors that are not "Top Rated Contractors" defined below), it is the policy of the Program that such Partner confirm live by telephone with the homeowner applicant each Program financing term listed in (b)-(g) of this Section 2.4 below. These confirmation requirements do not apply to contractors who have reached the Partner's top rating category (the "Top Rated Contractors"). For Top Rated Contractors, it is the policy of the Program that the Partner conduct randomized calls to homeowners to confirm financing terms.

Notwithstanding the above, irrespective of the contractor with whom the Program financing is associated, it is the policy of the Program that the Partners confirm live by telephone for each applicant who is over 64 years old the Program financing terms listed in (a)-(g) of this Section 2.4 below, and any other special categories of homeowners as designated by the Program. For avoidance of doubt, for homeowners over 64 years old, a voicemail message does not satisfy the requirement of Program financing term confirmation under this Section 2.4.

When confirming terms of a Program financing with a homeowner, the Partners will request the homeowner to describe generally the improvement(s) being financed using the Program financing, and will ascertain that the homeowner understands:

- (a) The reason for the specific improvement(s) being obtained by such homeowner.
- (b) His or her total estimated annual payment.
- (c) The date his or her first tax payment will be due.
- (d) The term of the Program financing.
- (e) Any additional fees (including recording fees) that will be charged to him or her.
- (f) That payments for the Program financing will be added to his or her property tax bill and will cause the property tax bill to increase.
- (g) That he or she may make payments on the Program financing either directly to the county assessor's office or through his or her mortgage impound account.

3. FUNDING

Policy Summary: PACE is a new form of financing that, while sharing some features of traditional financing, presents new considerations for financing capital sources and structures. Best practices counsel the Program to proactively solicit feedback from Program stakeholders and homeowners and incorporate learnings into policy improvements which benefit homeowners.

Interest Rates. It is the policy of the Program that the Partner offers fixed simple interest rates, and payments that fully amortize the obligation. Variable interest rates or negative amortization financing terms are not permitted.

Sustainable funding source. It is the policy of the Program that Partners establish a sustainable source of capital for funding PACE financed projects separate from the Authority's general fund or budget and have access to capital markets to ensure funding of qualified projects is available on a consistent basis. A Partner must demonstrate the capacity to fund assessments that the Administrator anticipates originating through such Partner over the six (6) month period immediately following the Administrator's review of such Partners' financial statements.

Subordination. The Program is not required but may offer the capability to accommodate homebuyers and homeowners by offering subordination of certain rights of its PACE assessment lien to the lien of a mortgage or deed of trust. The subordination may provide the lien under a mortgage or deed of trust with senior rights such that the lender will be induced to make a loan on a PACE-assessed property. The subordination option may be made available to homebuyers and homeowners in accordance with policy agreed upon by the Authority and the Partner.

Contractor fees. It is the policy of the Program that Partners can only charge fees to contractors offering Program financing as long as Partners (i) clearly and conspicuously disclose such fees to homeowners and (ii) require that contractors absorb such obligations and not pass such fees on to homeowners.

4. OPERATIONS

Policy Summary: Operations delivers the Program to homeowners. Operations commercializes, productizes and draws on the work completed in a broad range of disciplines by the Partner or its Partner; such as sales, training, risk, contractor engagement, municipal engagement, accounting, finance, legal, capital markets, compliance, business development, marketing, government affairs and corporate development. While each operating unit incorporates thoughtful and highly effective consumer protections in the work it produces, Operations is the gatekeeper responsible for assuring that the Program has the people, processes, tools and technology necessary to deliver to homeowners the Program financing product, as well as the consumer protections described in these Policies.

Operational consumer protection policies. It is the policy of the Program that the Administrator and its Partner develop and provide people, processes, tools and technology necessary to support the consumer protection measures described in detail elsewhere in this policy, including: (i) risk and underwriting processes; (ii) terms and documentation delivery systems; (iii) documentation, maintenance and retrieval processes; (iv) disclosure development, delivery and acknowledgment receipt; (v) post-funding support for homeowners and other stakeholders such as real estate professionals; (vi) data security measures; (vii) privacy policy development and protections; (viii) marketing and communication oversight; (ix) protected class data and communication processes; (x) contractor management and engagement; (xi) eligible product database and/or list development and maintenance; (xii) implementation of the maximum financing amounts; (xiii) key metrics reporting; (xiv) closing and funding processes (including the ability to fulfill financing obligations); (xv) examination data production; and (xvi) implementation of procedures to identify and prohibit conflicts of interest within and associated with the Program.

5. POST-FUNDING HOMEOWNER SUPPORT

Policy Summary: A public/private partnership is at the core of the Program. This partnership carries with it elevated consumer protection responsibilities that apply to the Program with as much significance during the post-funding period as they do during the time of application and origination. Establishing and operating an executive office responsible for customer care that responds to inquiries, complaints, contractor and workmanship concerns, product performance questions and related matters for the lifecycle of the improvements financed is fundamental to the consumer protections that the Program provides.

- 5.1. Proactive Engagement. It is the policy of the Program that the Partner and its Partner proactively to monitor and test the consumer protections delivered to homeowners, and to request feedback from homeowners and contractors to identify areas in need of improvement.
- 5.2. Onboarding. It is the policy of the Program that Partners develop and implement a post-installation onboarding procedure to reinforce key characteristics of the Program, such as those highlighted in the Program disclosures.
- 5.3. Payments. It is the policy of the Program that the Partner have disclosures and resources in place to resolve homeowner questions regarding matters such as impound account catch up payments, payment timing inquires and payment amount reconciliation. It is also the policy of the Program that the Partner implement procedures for responding to requests for partial or full prepayment of their PACE property tax assessment in a timely and complete manner.
- 5.4. Inquiries and complaints. It is the policy of the Program that the Partner receive, manage, track, timely resolve, and report on all inquiries and complaints from homeowners. This policy contemplates development of a team with the skills necessary to perform inspections, meet with homeowners and contractors, investigate matters, and mediate resolutions with homeowners and contractors. The Partner must proactively work to resolve inquiries and complaints in a reasonable and timely manner and in accordance with the Program guidelines and must make communication for homeowners available during regular business hours by phone, email and facsimile communication.
- 5.5. Real estate transactions. It is the policy of the Program that the Partner develop capabilities to assist homeowners who are refinancing or selling their Properties. The Partner must support real estate professionals providing services to refinance and sales transactions for properties with PACE assessments.

6. DATA SECURITY

Policy Summary: Trust is fundamental to any financing relationship, and Program financing is no exception. The public/private partnership at the center of the Program, as well as the confidential relationship homeowners have with the Program Partner mandate that any market-ready Program be in robust compliance with sturdy cyber-security standards, and in particular develop secure and tested processes that protect homeowner personal identifiable information at points of potential vulnerability, especially during the application process.

6.1. Information systems. It is the policy of the Program that the Partner develop and comply with secure and tested processes to protect the personal identifiable information of the homeowner described in Section 7 below. Such secure and tested processes should, at a minimum, include:

6.1.1. A cyber-security policy and protocol that, at a minimum, requires data encryption “during transmission” and “at rest,” and compliance with sturdy cyber-security standards.

6.1.2. The Partner is responsible for controlling access to information, based upon, job function and need-to-know criteria.

6.1.3. The Partner is responsible for taking security measures that protect the security and confidentiality of consumer records and information in proportion to the sensitivity of the information, including, without limitation, requiring all computers and other devices containing any confidential consumer information to have all drives encrypted with industry standard encryption software.

6.1.4. The Partner is responsible for monitoring and logging all remote access to its systems, whether through VPN or other means.

6.1.5. Data security policies are subject to auditing and penetration testing conducted by an independent auditor hired by the Authority at least annually and any time a change is made that may have any potential impact on the servers, security policies or user rights.

6.1.6 The Partner is responsible for ensuring minimum viable configurations are in place on all servers. All firewalls should have continuous logging enabled. In addition, access control lists and audited server configurations should be used to ensure that data security is maintained.

6.2. Personnel.

6.2.1. The Partner is responsible for informing and enforcing the compliance with the Program’s data privacy and security policies on the part of every employee, contractor, vendor, agent, service provider, representative, and associate who is exposed to personal identifiable information of homeowners.

6.2.2. The Partner is responsible for implementing protections and controls to prevent unauthorized copying, disclosure, or other misuse of sensitive consumer information.

7. PRIVACY

Policy Summary: The trusting and confidential relationship that exists between homeowners and Program extends to the Partner's use of homeowner data. Compliance with the Gramm- Leach- Bliley Act as well as the establishment of clear opt-in and opt-out protocols for information sharing are the pillars of the Program's privacy policy. More broadly, Program must protect and manage sensitive consumer information, must respect the privacy of all homeowners, and must implement robust controls to prevent unauthorized collection, use and disclosure of such information.

The following summarizes the Program's privacy policy:

- 7.1. Privacy policy. The Program obtains sensitive consumer information from homeowners as part of the application process for Program participation or through other homeowner touch points with the Program. It is the policy of the Program that the Partner develops and delivers to homeowners who apply for the Program or who otherwise provide personal identifiable information (e.g., full name, home address, social security numbers, date of birth,) a privacy policy that complies with state and federal law (e.g., the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act) and, in particular, prohibits sharing with third parties personal identifying information of homeowners without the homeowners' express authorization except where expressly permitted by state and federal law. Such privacy policy will cover (i) the sources from which sensitive consumer information is obtained, (ii) the Partner's use of sensitive consumer information, and (iii) a mechanism by which a consumer may opt-out of sharing information. The Partner will deliver to homeowners any updates to such privacy policies.
- 7.2. Application process. It is the policy of the Program that all personal identifying information provided by a homeowner to the Partner during the application process is provided directly by the homeowner to the Partner. The Partners will establish processes and controls to ensure that personal identifiable information of a homeowner is obtained directly from such homeowner (or his verifiable legal representative or attorney in fact) and not from a contractor or other third party.

8. MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS

Policy Summary: Clear, informative, truthful, balanced, transparent and complete communications are essential for the Program. The stakeholders of any Program include (without limitation) homeowners, contractors, the Authority, government officials and staff, investors, finance partners, real estate professionals and lenders. Communications, acts and practices that mislead stakeholders add ineligible expense to PACE financing or to the Program, abuse stakeholders, and otherwise fail to meet the core communication standards of appropriateness for the Program and are not acceptable.

- 8.1. Prohibited practices. It is the policy of the Program to prohibit practices that are or could appear to be unfair, deceptive, abusive, and/or misleading, that violate laws or regulations, that provide tax advice, that are inappropriate, incomplete or are inconsistent with the Program's purpose (e.g., use of check facsimiles to dramatize the amount of PACE Program financing available or presented as if a negotiable instrument). Marketing practices that are likely to add unnecessary expense to a homeowner (e.g., paying consumers for applications), that unlawfully use sensitive consumer data or that violate any other law or regulation (including, for example, practices related to telemarketing) are prohibited.
- 8.2. Permitted practices. It is the policy of the Program to adhere to all legal and regulatory requirements (e.g., telemarketing) pertaining to its advertising and marketing efforts. On the basis of providing clear and concise communication to consumers, any practice that promotes informed decisioning on the part of homeowners and is not prohibited as described in section 8.1 above is permitted. The Partner is responsible for developing, delivering to and enforcing marketing guidelines for the Program's Registered Contractors. Any marketing materials that fall outside of marketing guidelines established must be approved by the Partner to ensure that they are not unfair, deceptive, abusive and/or misleading.
- 8.3. Tax advice. It is the policy of the Program that no Partner, contractor or third party (who is not a tax expert) may provide tax advice to consumers regarding their Program financing which includes making affirmative statements or claims as to the tax deductibility of the payments. Homeowners are encouraged to seek the advice of an expert regarding tax matters related to the Program. The Program shall monitor and test the sales practices of employees and contractors to confirm adherence to the policy set forth in this Section 8.3.
- 8.4. Payments in Exchange for Financing. It is the policy of the Program that no Partner, contractor or Affiliated Individual may provide a direct cash payment or other thing of value to a homeowner explicitly in exchange for such homeowner's selecting Program

financing. For avoidance of doubt, the limitations provided in this Section 8.4 are not intended to prevent the Program from offering to homeowners, contractors or Affiliated Individuals promotions that are not explicitly part of the exchange referred to in the preceding sentence.

9. PROTECTED CLASSES

Policy Summary: It is the Partner's responsibility to ensure compliance with all state and federal laws that cover individuals in protected classes (e.g., race, religion, color, marital status, sex, national origin, citizenship, presence of children, disability, gender, age and/or sexual preference because an applicant receives income from a public assistance program, or because an applicant has in good faith exercised any right under the Consumer Credit Protection Act.) Heightened protections for homeowners over 64 years old, such as confirming understanding of financing terms and project specifications, is a focus of the Program. The Partner is responsible for protecting against intended and unintended non-compliance with such standards, and in particular for providing legally unbiased access to, and decisioning of, requests for Program financing.

- 9.1. General. It is the policy of the Program that controls be designed to monitor and test compliance with all state and federal laws covering homeowners in protected classes.
- 9.2. Elders. It is the responsibility of the Partner to develop and implement a program that validates elder homeowner (i.e., homeowners over 64 years old) understanding of the eligible improvement project for which they are seeking Program financing, including the terms of such financing.
- 9.3 Financing Access and Decisioning. It is the responsibility of the Partner to provide legally unbiased access to, and decisioning of, requests for Program participation.

10. CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS

Policy Summary: Contractors and their sales persons are one of the primary means through which homeowners become aware of Program participation options. Contractors and their sales persons enter into contracts with the Partner, and register with all relevant state and local licensing boards and agencies. Contractors are required to follow a code of conduct, maintain policies of insurance, post bonds, follow marketing requirements, complete training courses, among other similar obligations, all of which are designed to assure positive and productive homeowner interaction with the Program.

- 10.1. **Policies.** It is the policy of the Program that all contractors who sell, install, or manage subcontractors who install, eligible improvements will have executed and that all such contractors and all employees, entities, owners, partners, principals, independent contractors, third party agents or other person who perform any services for the contractor in connection with a Program financing (collectively, the “Affiliated Individuals”) meet the requirements of the Program’s Contractor Participation Agreement, which include:
 - 10.1.1. Compliance with the current Registered Contractor code of conduct, a sample of which is attached hereto as Attachment B or other code of conduct that embodies the principles outlined in Attachment B;
 - 10.1.2. Maintenance of an active license, and be in good standing, with the California Contractor State License Board (“CSLB”), including compliance with the CSLB (or equivalent agency or program) insurance and bonding requirements;
 - 10.1.3. Execution of the Program’s Contractor Participation Agreement only by a person who is listed as an Responsible Managing Owner (“RMO”), Responsible Managing Employee (“RME”), Responsible Managing Manager (“RMG”), Responsible Managing Member (“RMM”), sole owner or qualifying partner with the CSLB and who is authorized to act on behalf of, and who is responsible for the actions of, a Registered Contractor (a “Qualifying Individual”);
 - 10.1.4. Oversight and management of employees, independent contractors and subcontractors who provide services to Registered Contractors accessing the Program;
 - 10.1.5. Meeting all other state and local licensing, training and permitting requirements;
 - 10.1.6. Compliance with the Program’s marketing policies; and
 - 10.1.7. Ensuring all Affiliated Individuals register with the Program.
- 10.2. **New Contractors.** Regarding Registered Contractors new to the Program, it is the policy that the Partner:

- 10.2.1. Has a specified probationary period (i.e., place the new Registered Contractors on a watch list) until the new Registered Contractors have completed the required number of Measures;
 - 10.2.2. Has procedures in place, during the Registered Contractor probationary period, to provide additional quality assurance steps for Measures completed by the Registered Contractors on the watch list; and
 - 10.2.3. Has procedures in place to review Registered Contractor work to confirm satisfactory completion of projects conducted during the probationary period for which Program financing is used.
- 10.3 Contractor Management. It is the policy that the Partner implement contractor management systems and procedures that manage and track contractor training and compliance violations on an individual and company basis.
- 10.4 Contractor Training. It is the policy of the Program that each Partner make available contractor training regarding, at a minimum, the following: (i) the applicable contractor code of conduct terms as required by the Program, (ii) protected classes, including, without limitation, elder protection, and (iii) other consumer protection measures as required by the Program.
- 10.5 Remedial Action. Partners warn, suspend or terminate a Registered Contractor and/or Affiliated Individual from the Program based on violations of the Contractor Participation Agreement. The Program does not accept Program applications processed by suspended or terminated contractors and/or associated representatives.

11. ELIGIBLE PRODUCTS

Policy Summary: The Program enables and encourages homeowners to install Measures on their homes which are designed but not guaranteed to save water or energy. The Program is responsible for implementing practices and controls (e.g., eligible product databases and product confirmation processes) ensuring that financing is used only for eligible Measures, and that it is not provided for ineligible ones. Program product eligibility criteria ensure that property owners are financing improvements which are industry recognized for achieving higher levels of home energy or water efficiency. While the Program is responsible for confirming compliance with the initial capacities of such products, it is not responsible for determining post-installation energy performance, savings or efficacy of such Measures.

- 11.1. Policies. Consistent with the objectives of the PACE enabling legislation, it is the policy of the Program through consultation with the Partner and the Authority to:
 - 11.1.1. Establish, and maintain an eligible products database and/or list, documenting the associated eligibility specifications for each product that conform to the requirements outlined in Attachment C hereto;
 - 11.1.2. Define a process for adding or modifying the eligible product database;
 - 11.1.3. Ensure that eligible product energy efficiency/water efficiency/energy generation (as applicable) performance standards are calibrated and verified using performance criteria that the U.S. Department of Energy, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the California Energy Commission and/or other federal and state agencies or other reputable third parties has established;
 - 11.1.4. Use credible third party sources to determine the useful life of the product, which will be used to set the maximum term for the Program's financing; and
 - 11.1.5. Require that the product is permanently affixed to the Property.
- 11.2. Procedures. It is the policy of the Program that the Partner establish procedures confirming that the homeowner applying for Program financing intends to install eligible products, and that at the time of funding such improvements have been installed.
- 11.3. Ineligible Products.
 - 11.3.1. Financing of ineligible products under the Program is prohibited.
 - 11.3.2. Products that are not included on the eligible products list or in the eligible products database can be submitted for review by the Program, if a homeowner has a good faith reason to believe they should have been included.

12. MAXIMUM FINANCING AMOUNT

Policy Summary: Many homeowners cannot readily access price information regarding the installation of energy efficiency, renewable energy and water conservation improvements for their homes, and cost often is a key economic consideration. While the Program does not set price controls, it implements a maximum financing amount ("MFA") procedure based upon the fair market value of the Measures. The MFA sets the ceiling for amounts that can be financed.

The Program's maximum financing amount policies provide as follows:

- 12.1. It is the policy of the Program to develop maximum financing amounts based on market data and the Partner's experience, but not to set pricing for installation of eligible products and projects. In evaluating project pricing, the Partner takes into account regional factors that may contribute to the pricing of improvements.
- 12.2. It is the policy of the Program that each Partner will, at a minimum, establish an MFA for each product type (e.g. for central air conditioners, solar PV systems, solar thermal systems and artificial turf).
- 12.3. Within each MFA, there is a low to high range of justifiable pricing, depending on the particular product within a product type (e.g. there may be different types of central air conditioners, solar PV systems, solar thermal systems and artificial turf). It is the policy of the Program that each Partner will establish product/project attribute related pricing rules that dictate what pricing within such low to high MFA range is justified.
- 12.4. It is the policy of the Program that each Partner establish processes and systems for purposes of enforcing the MFA rules (as described in Section 12.3) for every project.
- 12.5. A product may only be funded for an amount that is greater than the MFA for such product if the amount exceeding the MFA is justified by reasonable standards that are validated and documented through processes and systems acceptable to the Authority.

13. REPORTING

Policy Summary: Reporting the economic and environmental results of Program participation is essential for the Program, Partners, elected officials, environmental agencies, the investment community, the real estate and mortgage industry and many other stakeholders. Metrics such as economic stimulus dollars invested, greenhouse gas reduction, the number of Measures funded, the amounts funded, renewable energy production and energy savings serve this need. The Partner is responsible for producing, on a quarterly basis, a key metrics report.

- 13.1. Reporting categories. It is the policy of the Program that Program statistics reporting and estimated impact metrics in the following categories be developed and reported quarterly to the Authority: (i) number of projects funded, (ii) project amount funded, (iii) estimated amount of energy savings, (iv) estimated amount of renewable energy produced, (v) estimated amount of water savings, (vi) estimated amount of greenhouse gas emissions reductions, and (vii) estimated number of jobs created.
- 13.2. Reporting standards. It is the policy of the Program that all data collected for the quarterly metrics reports be developed and collected using standardized, third party verified methodologies. The methodologies and supporting assumptions and/or sources must be made available to the Authority by the Partner. It is the responsibility of the Partner to develop reports consistent with each of categories listed above and to test and verify the data collection and reporting methods and models used. All reports shall include only aggregate data, excluding any sensitive customer information.
- 13.3. Participation in CAEATFA. Residential PACE programs operating in California must participate in the PACE Reserve program of the California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Authority. Accordingly, the Programs must report bi-annually on program activity to CAEATFA.

14. CLOSING & FUNDING

Policy Summary: The Program provides limited purpose financing to homeowners, and not general purpose financing that is common among traditional sources of financing. The Program has front-end (e.g., eligible product call-in requirements) and pre-funding (e.g., completion certificates and permits) procedures designed to confirm that their financing dollars are used for permissible purposes. A policy requiring such procedures is essential to protecting the integrity of the Program.

- 14.1. Installation Completion Sign-off. It is the policy of the Program to confirm, before funding, that the eligible products financed are installed, operational and in a condition that is acceptable to the homeowner and the contractor, and to require that the homeowner and the contractor attest to such by signing a document stating that all products have been installed to the homeowner's satisfaction and in accordance with product specifications. It is the responsibility of the Partner to confirm any such document is signed within the maximum allowable installation time as specified by the Program
- 14.2. Permits. It is the policy of the Program for homeowners seeking Program financing to obtain required permits for the installation of Measures and provide verification thereof upon request.
- 14.3. Funding. It is the policy of the Program to disburse funds only for projects that are complete.
- 14.4. Recording. It is the policy of the Program to record the Notice of Assessment and Payment of Contractual Assessment Required documentation in a manner consistent with state law.
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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

DATE: May 04, 2016

CONSENT CALENDAR

SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS TO APPLY FOR CALRECYCLE PAYMENT PROGRAMS

FROM: David H. Ready, City Manager

BY: Office of Sustainability

SUMMARY:

The action requested is to approve of a resolution that authorizes the City of Palm Springs to apply to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) for payment programs, which is specifically required for reimbursements through the beverage container grant program.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Resolution No. ____ "A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES, RECYCLING, AND RECOVERY (CALRECYCLE) APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT PROGRAMS AND RELATED AUTHORIZATIONS."

STAFF ANALYSIS:

In past years the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) offered each qualifying City and County an opportunity to apply for funding to be used for the purchase or repair of items directly associated with beverage container collection. The monies distributed by CalRecycle were derived from the California Redemption Value (CRV) paid by patrons when purchasing beverages in containers covered by State law.

In 1988, California enacted a program to place a deposit on beverage containers. The current deposit is five cents per container for each smaller beverage container and ten cents per container for each larger container. CalRecycle is responsible for this program.

Each year in the past, CalRecycle provided funding from the deposit monies collected to each qualifying jurisdiction on a per capita basis. The City of Palm Springs received in excess of \$12,000 dollars per year from this grant. The City used this money to purchase beverage recycling containers used at special events and placed throughout

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City facilities. The money has also been used for educational outreach programs in our local schools and civic organizations.

Beginning this year, CalRecycle is asking each jurisdiction that applies for program funds to pass a formal resolution authorizing the jurisdiction to apply for funding. Although on September 2, 2015, the City Council previously adopted a resolution generally authorizing the City to submit applications to CalRecycle for various grant applications, CalRecycle is now requesting that the City adopt this resolution specifically for payment programs such as the beverage container grant program.

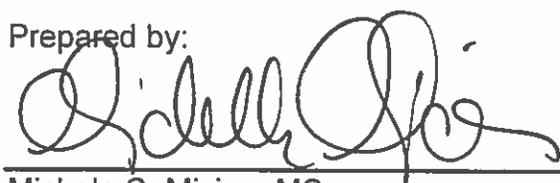
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

The requested City Council action is not a "Project" as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Pursuant to Section 15378(a), a "Project" means the whole of an action, which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. The requested action is to adopt a Resolution authorizing submittal of applications to CalRecycle, and is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15378(b), in that a "Project" does not include: (5) Organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

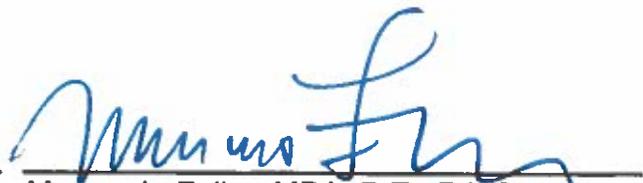
FISCAL IMPACT:

Adoption of the Resolution allows the City to submit requests for payment programs, and in particular recovery of costs associated with the beverage container grant, to CalRecycle which will facilitate receiving approximately \$12,000 annually or more.

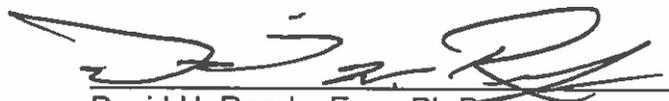
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David H. Ready, Esq., Ph.D.
City Manager

Attachment:

Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS CALIFORNIA,
AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL TO THE DEPARTMENT
OF RESOURCES, RECYCLING, AND RECOVERY
(CALRECYCLE) OF APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT
PROGRAMS AND RELATED AUTHORIZATIONS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Resources Code sections 48000 et seq., 14581, and 42023.1(g), the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) has established various payment programs to make payments to qualifying jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this authority CalRecycle is required to establish procedures governing the administration of the payment programs; and

WHEREAS, CalRecycle's procedures for administering payment programs require, among other things, an applicant's governing body to declare by resolution certain authorizations related to the administration of the payment program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Palm Springs is authorized to submit an application to CalRecycle for any and all payment programs offered; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager, or his/her designee, is hereby authorized as Signature Authority to execute all documents necessary to implement and secure payment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this authorization is effective until rescinded by the Signature Authority or this governing body.

NOW, THEREFORE THE CITY COUNCIL DETERMINES, RESOLVES AND APPROVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Palm Springs hereby authorizes City staff to apply for payment programs available through CalRecycle.

Adopted this 4th day of May, 2016.

CITY OF PALM SPRINGS

David H. Ready
City Manager

ATTEST:

James Thompson
City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) ss.
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS)

I, JAMES THOMPSON, City Clerk of the City of Palm Springs, hereby certify that Resolution No. ____ is a full, true and correct copy, and was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Palm Springs on May 4, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

James Thompson, City Clerk
City of Palm Springs, California