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January 23, 2015

Ms. Nancy Mackle, City Manager  
City of San Rafael  
1400 Fifth Ave, PO Box 151560  
San Rafael, CA 94915

Dear Ms. Mackle:

**RE: San Rafael's 5<sup>th</sup> Cycle (2015-2023) Adopted Housing Element**

Thank you for submitting San Rafael's housing element adopted January 5, 2015 which was received for review on January 14, 2015. Pursuant to Government Code (GC) Section 65585(h), the Department is reporting the results of its review.

The Department is pleased to find the adopted housing element in full compliance with State housing element law (GC, Article 10.6). The adopted element was found to be substantially the same as the revised draft element the Department's November 3, 2014 review determined met statutory requirements.

Please note San Rafael now meets specific requirements for several State funding programs designed to reward local governments for compliance with State housing element law. For example, the Housing Related Parks (HRP) Program, funded by Proposition 1C, provides grant funds to eligible local governments for every qualifying lower income unit permitted since 2010. The HRP Program 2014 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), released December 10, 2014, announced the availability of approximately \$35 million in grant funds to eligible applicants. Applications are due **February 5, 2015**. Further information about the HRP Program is available on the Department's website at <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrpp/>.

The Department appreciates the cooperation that Mr. Paul Jensen, Community Development Director, Mr. Raffi Boloyan, Planning Manager, and Ms. Karen Warner, the City's consultant, provided throughout the course of the housing element review. The Department wishes the City of San Rafael success in implementing its housing element and looks forward to following its progress through the General Plan annual progress reports pursuant to GC Section 65400. If the Department can provide assistance in implementing the housing element, please contact Melinda Coy, of our staff, at (916) 263-7425.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Glen A. Campora". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Glen A. Campora  
Assistant Deputy Director