

RESOLUTION 25-26-XX

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SUTTER CREEK, RECOMMENDING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AMEND THE SAFETY ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN TO ADOPT THE 2025 AMADOR COUNTY LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN (LHMP) INCLUDING APPENDICES AND ANNEX E (CITY OF SUTTER CREEK ANNEX) BY REFERENCE

WHEREAS, the City of Sutter Creek is committed to reducing risks from natural and human-made hazards to protect the lives, property, and economy of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000) requires a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) for eligibility for federal hazard mitigation grants; and

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2026, the City Council adopted the LHMP via Resolution No. 25-26-21; and

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2026, the City Council adopted the revisions to Resolution No. 25-26-21 and reaffirmed its adoption of the LHMP via Resolution No. 25-26-21 (Revised); and

WHEREAS, California Government Code Sections 65302 and 65302.6 (AB 2140) encourage the incorporation of the LHMP into the Safety Element of the General Plan to maximize eligibility for State funding Assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing on May 11, 2026 regarding the proposed General Plan Amendment to the Safety Element; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Planning Commission of the City of Sutter Creek hereby finds, determines, and resolves as follows:

SECTION 1. Incorporation of Recitals. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated into this resolution.

SECTION 2. General Plan Amendment. The Planning Commission recommends that the City Council amend the Safety Element of the City of Sutter Creek General Plan, to read as follows:

"In 2006, the state adopted Assembly Bill (AB) 2140 which added provisions specifying what is to be included in a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) and requiring a linkage between a local jurisdiction's LHMP and the Safety Element of their General Plan. AB 2140 requires a jurisdiction to adopt the LHMP into the Safety Element of the General Plan in order to be fully eligible for disaster relief funding under the California Disaster Assistance Act. AB 2140 can be met by either including the LHMP language specific to AB 2140 as part of the Safety Element or to incorporate the LHMP by reference into the Safety Element

of the General Plan.

Amador County has a current LHMP which includes an assessment of the County's risk and vulnerability related to natural and other identified hazards and a comprehensive mitigation strategy which includes actions and projects designed to mitigate or reduce the impacts of those hazards and to increase community resiliency. This LHMP has been formally adopted and incorporated by reference into the Safety Element of the General Plan.

To further meet the requirements of AB 2140, the City adopts and incorporates by reference the most current LHMP as part of this Safety Element to the General Plan which should be consulted when addressing known hazards to ensure the general health and safety of people within the City."

SECTION 3. Findings. The Planning Commission finds that the proposed amendment to the Safety Element is internally consistent with other elements of the General Plan, including the Land Use Element, and promotes the public health, safety, and welfare of the community.

SECTION 4. Recommendation. The Planning Commission recommends that the City Council adopt the proposed amendment to the Safety Element of the General Plan.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 11th day of May, 2026.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Lucy Mulvey, Chair - Planning Commission

ATTEST

Pam Caronongan, MBA, MMC - City Clerk