



CITY OF
CARPINTERIA

WELCOME!

CEQA SCOPING MEETING

Coastal Land Use Plan/General Plan Update

Project No. 16-1810-GPA/LCPA

- There are no Speaker Slips for this meeting.
- There are copies of the Notice of Preparation (NOP) if you need one.

Monday, May 18, 2026

WELCOME / INTRODUCTION

Who We Are

- Nick Bobroff, City Director of Community Development Department
- Mindy Fogg, City Planner
- Megan Musolf, City Planner
- Taylor Lane, City Environmental Consultant, WSP
- Nick Meisinger, City Environmental Consultant, WSP

What We Do

- Craft City policy/regulations related to land use & zoning
- Prepare environmental analysis
- Ensure public input
- Present recommendations to decision-makers

HOUSEKEEPING NOTES



Please be respectful and courteous throughout this meeting



After the presentation, we want to hear from you



Provide comments on the scope of the EIR to help inform environmental analysis, mitigation, and alternatives

This meeting is being broadcast and recorded and will be on the City's YouTube and the [CLUP/GP Update webpage](#)



AGENDA

- Introduction and Purpose
- Overview of the Coastal Land Use Plan/General Plan Update
- CEQA Environmental Review
- Public Comment and Next Steps

PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING



Provide an overview of the proposed Project



Continue the scoping process under CEQA



Request input on the scope of the EIR



Inform the community about **opportunities to provide input and stay involved**

OVERVIEW OF THE PROJECT



DRAFT
Coastal Land Use Plan
General Plan



CITY OF CARPINTERIA
February 2026



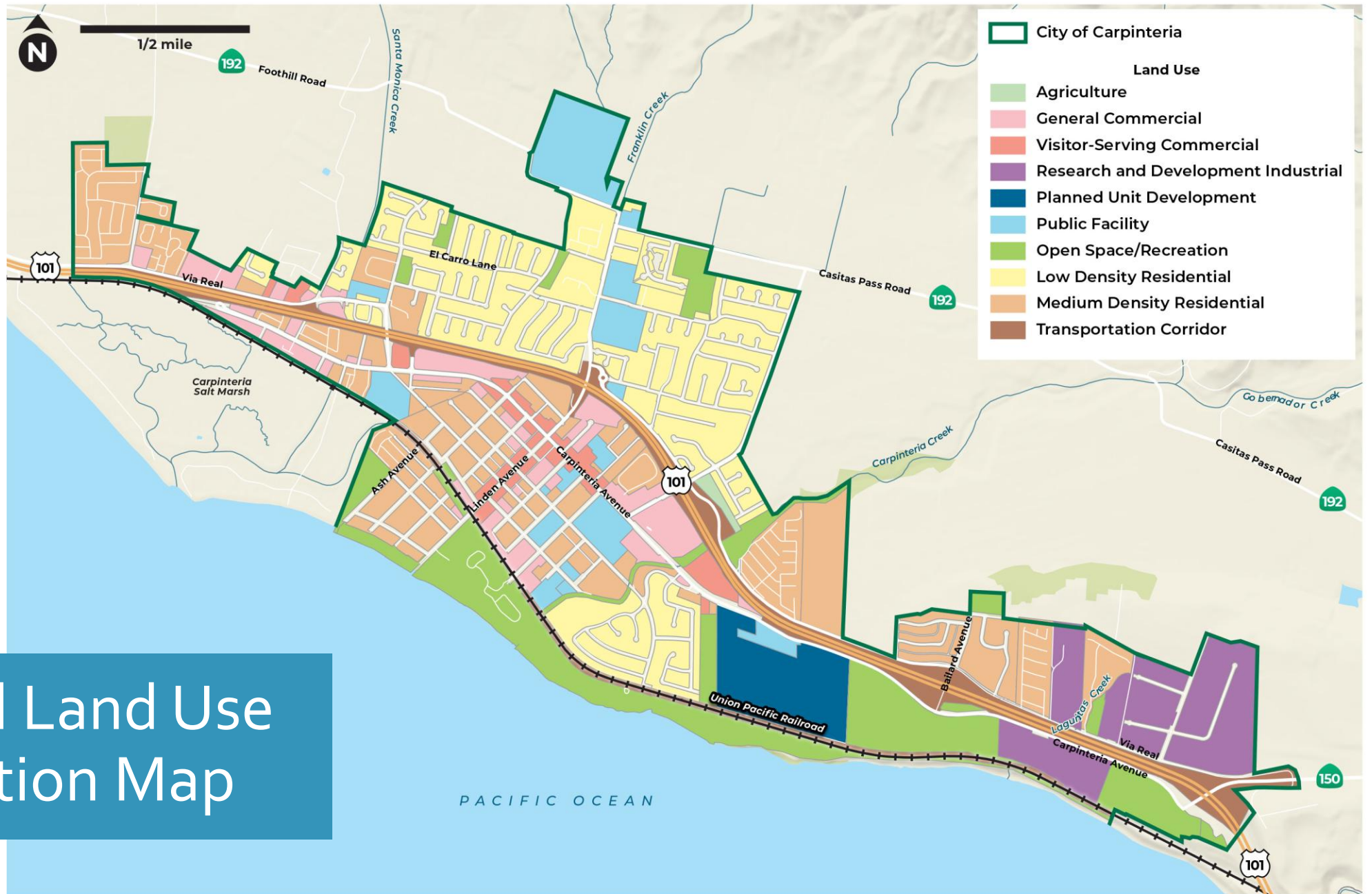
Updates to the following *existing* elements:

- Land Use
- Community Design
- Circulation
- Open Space & Conservation
- Safety
- Noise
- Public Facilities and Services

Two *new* elements:

- Coastal Resiliency
- Healthy Community

Updated Land Use Designation Map



CEQA Project Objectives

1. Small Beachtown Character & Economic Vitality
2. Community-wide Design Principles
3. Multimodal Transportation System
4. Natural Resources & Open Space
5. Minimization of Risks & Hazards
6. Minimization of Noise Exposure
7. Services, Facilities & Utilities
8. Active Living & Healthy Lifestyles
9. Sea Level Rise Resilience
10. Accommodate Growth
11. Balance Interests

CEQA ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Notice of Preparation
(NOP) to prepare the
Program EIR for the
Coastal Land Use
Plan/General Plan
Update

Basic Purpose of CEQA and EIRs



Inform decision-makers and public of potential significant environmental impacts



Identify ways to avoid or significantly reduce impacts with mitigation



Identify alternatives to prevent significant avoidable damage to the environment



Foster public participation in the process



Disclose to the public the reasons behind agency decision-making for approval of projects.

Purpose of Scoping

Inform

- Inform the public about the EIR process
- Key issues to be analyzed in EIR
- Schedule and opportunities for public participation

Input

- Solicit public input on EIR scope
 - Key community-environmental concerns
 - Potential alternatives and mitigation measures

Impacts

- Ensure early public input is addressed in EIR's environmental impact analysis

Key Participants



EIR Process Overview

NOP Comment Period/Scoping Meetings



Public Draft EIR Released for 60-day Comment Period



Response to Comments



Final EIR Released



Adoption & EIR Certification Hearings

Why a Program EIR?

- Analyzes the impacts from **implementation of plans, policies, or regulations**
- Appropriate where the proposed action **does not involve immediate approval of site-specific development**
- **Enables future streamlined analysis** of projects consistent with land use and zoning
- Allows for contemplation of **broad policy alternatives and program-wide mitigation measures**

EIR Resource Areas

Aesthetics and Visual Resources	Agricultural Resources	Air Quality	Biological Resources	Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources
Energy	Geology and Soils	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	Hazards and Hazardous Materials	Hydrology and Water Quality (including Coastal Hazards)
Land Use and Planning	Noise	Population and Housing	Public Services	Recreation
	Transportation	Utilities and Service Systems	Wildfire	

Other CEQA Considerations

The Program EIR will also address the following:

- The combined effects of multiple projects, which might be minor **individually**, but significant collectively (cumulative impacts)
- Growth inducement and significant irreversible environmental change
- Effects not found to be significant (e.g., forest and mineral resources)
- Project alternatives, that would attain most Project objectives and also reduce or avoid impacts of the Project



PUBLIC COMMENT AND NEXT STEPS

Provide Comments by Friday, June 5

Share verbal comments tonight

Submit comments:

- Email (preferred):
GPUpdate@CarpinteriaCA.gov
- Mail:
General Plan Update Team, City of Carpinteria
5775 Carpinteria Avenue
Carpinteria, CA 93013

Additional Opportunities to Stay In-The-Know



Public Review of Draft PEIR

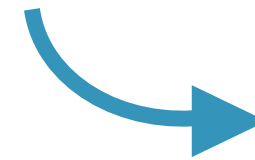


Environmental Review
Committee (ERC) Public
Meeting



Planning Commission/City
Council Hearings

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QR code



Tips for Scoping Period Comments

Comments on the scope of the EIR are most helpful when they:

- Focus on specific **environmental topics/issues** that should be addressed.
- Describe why the proposed Project may result in significant impacts.
- Identify measures, strategies, or alternatives that may **reduce potentially significant impacts**.

Comments should focus on the scope of the EIR analysis, not the merits of the Project itself.



Reminders When Commenting

- The City is preparing a **Program EIR** that evaluates impacts from implementation of the CLUP/GP Update. The Program EIR **will not be conducting project or site-specific** environmental analysis
- The Program EIR **does not** propose or approve any individual development projects
- The Program EIR **does not provide environmental analysis of the City's Housing Element**, which is not part of the CLUP/GP Update
- Comments should focus on the Program EIR analysis, not the content of the CLUP/GP Elements (e.g., policy language)

Public Comments Welcome Now!

We will start with anyone who has a quick comment of **under 1 minute**.

Click on  if you would like to make a verbal comment.

When called, click  to unmute yourself.

Thank You!

Remember to:

- Submit your written comments by **Friday, June 5.**
 - Email (preferred): GPUpdate@CarpinteriaCA.gov
 - Mail:
General Plan Update Team, City of Carpinteria
5775 Carpinteria Avenue
Carpinteria, CA 93013
- Keep updated on the Project by [subscribing to the email newsletter](#).
- Check out the [Project webpage](#) for Project details, review the NOP, and review updates about the Project.