



Notice of Public Review Period and Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the City of Torrance proposes to adopt a Negative Declaration. A Negative Declaration means that the proposed project could not have a significant effect on the environment. The proposed Negative Declaration and Initial Study (Case No. EAS19-00001) are available for PUBLIC REVIEW on the following matter:

**2019 COYOTE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE
CITY OF TORRANCE POLICE DEPARTMENT
CASE NO. EAS19-00001**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Torrance 2016 Coyote Management Plan establishes strategies to minimize conflicts between humans, their pets, and urban coyotes using education, behavior modification, and implementation of a tiered response to aggressive coyote behavior. The proposed project involves updates to the 2016 Coyote Management Plan, which consists of a determination of recommended strategies to solve human-coyote conflicts and secure household pets. The Initial Study provides an overall evaluation of the impacts on the environment that could occur upon implementation of the recommended strategies. The following are the recommended strategies that would be implemented:

1. Sustain Coyote Management Response Plan;
2. Prohibit wildlife feeding;
3. Enhance coyote education and outreach;
4. Consider addition of program staff assistant;
5. Implement an annual Coyote Trap and Euthanize Program between October and February.

DETERMINATION: Based on the Initial Study prepared, the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment. The City of Torrance proposes to adopt a Negative Declaration.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Public review of the Initial Study will commence on July 12, 2019 and will continue until 5:30 p.m. on August 12, 2019. Written comments on the Initial Study and on the proposed adoption of a Negative Declaration will be accepted during the public review period and may be directed to Oscar Martinez, Acting Planning and Environmental Manager, Torrance Community Development Department, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance CA 90503 or by email at Community_Development_Dept@TorranceCA.Gov.

COPIES FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION: The proposed Negative Declaration and Initial Study and all documents referenced in the Initial Study are available for review at the Torrance Police Department (3300 Civic Center Drive, Torrance CA 90503), and at the Torrance City Clerk's Office and Planning Counter of the City of Torrance Community Development Department (3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance CA 90503) during normal business hours. The proposed Negative Declaration and Initial Study are also available for review at the City of Torrance Police Department webpage (www.torranceca.gov/government/police/general-info/coyotes) and the Community Development Department webpage (www.torranceca.gov/our-city/community-development/planning-division/coyote-management-plan-update).

PUBLIC HEARING: The Torrance City Council will consider the proposed adoption of the Negative Declaration at public hearing in the near future. The Community Development Department will post and send a Notice of Public Hearing 10 days prior to the public hearing. The City Council will consider all written comments received during the public review period in making their determination.

If you challenge the above matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Community Development Department or the office of the City Clerk prior to the public hearing, and further, by the terms of Resolution No. 88-19, in addition to being subject to all other applicable statutes of limitations, you may be limited to ninety (90) days in which to commence such legal action pursuant to Section 1094.6 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

For further information on the Initial Study, contact Oscar Martinez, Acting Planning and Environmental Manager, of the Community Development Department at (310) 618-5990.

For further information on the 2016 Coyote Management Plan and proposed update, contact Dave Koenig, Sergeant, of the Torrance Police Department at (310) 328-3456.

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