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**ISSUANCE OF REVISED NOTICE OF PREPARATION (NOP)
FOR THE DRAFT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (DEIR)
ASSOCIATED WITH THE DRAFT 2007 UKIAH VALLEY AREA PLAN (UVAP)**

The Mendocino County Planning Team announces issuance of a revised Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) associated with the Draft 2007 Ukiah Valley Area Plan (UVAP). The purposes of the NOP are to inform responsible agencies, trustee agencies, the State Department of Planning and Research, the public and interested parties that a Draft Program EIR will be prepared for the UVAP project; to initiate the consultation process; and to present an opportunity for responses within a thirty (30) day review period. Additionally, a "scoping meeting" will be held December 5, 2007, to provide further opportunity for agencies and the public to address the content and scope of the Draft Program EIR.

The County's Assistant Chief Executive Officer Alison Glassey stated "The County is reissuing the NOP to clarify the features of the proposed project and land use alternatives."

Glassey added, "We have more information now to include regarding the maps and alternatives and traffic impacts. We think this will be helpful to all those who are interested in the proposed UVAP. The draft Program EIR will address the specifics of the 2007 UVAP project."

The thirty-day review period begins when the State receives the NOP, estimated to run from November 2 to December 3, 2007.

The scoping session is scheduled for December 5, 2007, 1:00 p.m., Conference Room "C", Mendocino County Administration Center, 501 Low Gap Road, Ukiah, CA.

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