MIRA MESA Community Plan Update

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THE MIRA MESA COMMUNITY

Mira Mesa is one of San Diego’s largest communities in terms of area, population and employment. The community consists of 10,500 acres located between Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Miramar on the south and Los Peñasquitos Canyon open space on the north, and between the Interstate 805 and Interstate 15 freeways (Figure 1). The community is home to about 73,000 residents and its businesses employ about 75,000 people (SANDAG 2012).

THE MIRA MESA COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE (CPU)

The City of San Diego is inviting participation in the update to the Mira Mesa Community Plan, which will serve as the “blue print” for the community’s future growth and development. Community plans set policies and proposals on a wide array of topics including: housing, mobility, open space and parks, public facilities, sustainable development, urban design and historic preservation.

WHY IS A COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE NEEDED?

1. TO ADDRESS GROWTH

Community plans are expected to maintain relevance over a 20-year timeframe and the Mira Mesa Community Plan was last updated in 1992. Therefore, addressing the dynamics of population and business growth as well as adjacency to MCAS Miramar are important to the community’s future.

2. TO ADDRESS COMMUNITY NEEDS & ENHANCE QUALITY OF LIFE

Planning for future housing and businesses can avoid consequences of unforeseen growth and can provide community benefits to enhance its quality of life.

3. TO ADDRESS INFRASTRUCTURE DEMAND

Identifying public facilities and infrastructure improvements to serve Mira Mesa’s population can ensure growth does not overburden existing infrastructure.

4. TO TAKE ACTION FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

Improving conditions for pedestrian, transit and bicycle access, stormwater runoff, and community forestry can achieve objectives of the citywide Climate Action Plan.