

STAFF REPORT



MEETING DATE:	June 20, 2024
SUBJECT:	Receive Update on Proposed Assembly Bill 3093 (Ward) Addressing Extremely-Low and Acutely-Low Housing Needs and Provide Direction to Staff Regarding any Potential Response
AGENDA ITEM:	11
STAFF CONTACT:	Sean Tiedgen, Executive Director

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the board of directors:

1. Receive a presentation from the executive director regarding proposed Assembly Bill (AB) 3093 (Ward) addressing extremely-low and acutely-low housing needs; and
2. Provide direction to staff on any potential response or future action.

DISCUSSION:

Cities and counties in California prepare and update General Plans to guide the long-term physical development of their communities. General Plans include topics, called "Elements," which must be covered in the plan, including a Housing Element. The Housing Element identifies and analyzes the housing needs for all income groups (i.e., Above-Moderate; Moderate; Low; Very-Low) and lays out a plan for how a city or county can adequately provide the opportunity for housing development to be built to address those needs. In the Shasta Region, local agencies are required to update their Housing Elements every eight years. As part of that process, the California Department of Housing and Community Development prepares a Regional Housing Need Allocation (RHNA) for the eight-year period that identifies the anticipated housing needed by income category for each city and county.

AB 3093 proposes to add two new income categories (i.e., Extremely-Low and Acutely-Low) to the next RHNA and Housing Elements and identify them as a "special housing need." This would impact SRTA because the 20-year Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy must include information about future land use patterns, housing, and jobs, and be consistent with General Plans and other regional plans. Staff will provide a presentation summarizing the most up-to-date information about AB 3093 and its potential impact on SRTA's regional planning processes.

ALTERNATIVES:

The board of directors may request additional information or request an update at a future meeting.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The California Department of Housing and Community Development prepares the RHNA, and local agencies prepare and update Housing Elements to address current and future housing needs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no net fiscal impact to SRTA.

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Sean Tiedgen, AICP, Executive Director