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### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT ENDORSES PONTE VISTA**

The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), the clearinghouse for regionally significant projects, has endorsed the Ponte Vista housing development after a thorough review of the City of Los Angeles' Draft Environmental Report (EIR). SCAG states that the project is "consistent with or supports many of the core and ancillary policies in the Regional Comprehensive Plan and Guide (RCPG)," including the RCPG chapters dealing with Growth Management, Housing, Open Space, and Conservation.

"The Ponte Vista Project is a good example of an infill/redevelopment project that brings higher density homes to a jobs-rich, housing-poor area of the region," stated Jill Egerman, Associate Environmental Planner for SCAG.

SCAG also found Ponte Vista to be consistent with the goals and policies of the Regional Transportation Plan and with the "Compass Growth Visioning" effort, a set of principles established to promote and sustain Southern California's mobility, livability, and prosperity for future generations.

SCAG is the regional planning agency charged by State and Federal law with guiding regional planning for air quality, regional transportation, housing, resource conservation, and planning. SCAG's responsibilities include drafting and maintaining a Regional Transportation Plan and Regional Transportation Improvement Program, reviewing all Congestion Management Program plans, preparing a Regional Housing Needs Assessment plan, and reviewing EIR's of projects of regional significance for consistency with regional plans. SCAG authors a Regional Comprehensive Plan and Guide ("RCPG") that serves as a reference document for those who work to meet the future needs of Southern California in an environmentally responsible manner.

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