

Board of Directors

Meeting date: June 18, 2025

Agenda Item #: 12

Announcement of the 60-day review period of the Regional Housing Needs Assessment

Agenda item type: Informational briefing

Summary

Announcement of the 60-day review period of the existing Regional Housing Needs Assessment to allow local governments to utilize the Regional Housing Needs Assessment for a statutorily required housing needs assessment

Background

The [Sustainable Housing Assistance Act](#) (Senate Bill 2024-174) sets requirements for conducting housing needs assessments and housing action plans at the local and state level and allows regional entities to submit a regional housing needs assessment that can be utilized by local governments for conformity with the law. The Act also lays out a process for local and regional entities to submit existing assessments conducted after January 1, 2022 and before December 31, 2024 for conformity.

DRCOG submitted the [Regional Housing Needs Assessment](#), which was accepted by the DRCOG Board of Directors at their October 16, 2024 meeting, to the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) for compliance and received notice on February 26, 2025 that the Regional Housing Needs Assessment is conditionally approved for substantial compliance. DRCOG addressed DOLA's comments and received notice on May 21, 2025 that the Regional Housing Needs Assessment is substantially conforming to the Sustainable Housing Assistance Act.

Local governments that wish to use DRCOG's Regional Housing Needs Assessment as their state-required housing assessment are required to review the Regional Housing Needs Assessment at a public meeting of their governing body during a designated 60-day period and submit comments to DRCOG. The 60-day review period will begin on July 14, 2025, and run through September 12, 2025. To support local governments through this process, DRCOG has developed a suite of resources including a recorded webinar, sample staff report content, a template presentation, and an opportunity to sign up for office hours that can be found on the [DRCOG website](#).

Once the 60-day review period concludes on September 12, 2025, DRCOG will submit all of the comments received from local governments to the Department of Local Affairs. Local governments that do not conduct a public review and submit comments will not have the opportunity to utilize the Regional Housing Needs Assessment for the state-required needs assessment.

Action by others

None



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Previous discussion/action

[October 16, 2024](#) – Board of Directors meeting

[November 20, 2024](#) – Board of Directors meeting

[March 19, 2025](#) – Board of Directors meeting

Recommendation

None

Attachment(s)

None

For more information

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