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Mr. Raul Godinez II, City Manager
City of El Monte
11333 Valley Blvd.
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Dear Mr. Godinez:

RE: El Monte's 5th Cycle (2013-2021) Adopted Housing Element

Thank you for submitting El Monte's housing element adopted December 17, 2013 which was received for review on January 2, 2014. Pursuant to Government Code Section 65585(h), the Department is reporting the results of its review.

The Department is pleased to find the adopted housing element in full compliance with State housing element law (Article 10.6 of the Government Code). The adopted element was found to be substantially the same as the revised draft element the Department's October 18, 2013 review determined met statutory requirements.

Please note, El Monte now meets specific requirements for several State funding programs designed to reward local governments for compliance with State housing element law. For example, the Housing Related Parks and Local Housing Trust Fund Programs both include housing element compliance either as a threshold or competitive factor in rating and ranking applications. More information about these and other programs is at http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/loan_grant_hecompl011708.pdf.

The Department appreciates the work Ms. Alexa Washburn and Ms. Arlene Granadosin, the City's consultants, provided throughout the course of the housing element review. The Department wishes the City of El Monte success in implementing its housing element and looks forward to following its progress through the General Plan annual progress reports pursuant to Government Code Section 65400. If the Department can provide assistance in implementing the housing element, please contact Fidel Herrera, of our staff, at (916) 263-7441.

Sincerely,

Glen A. Campora
Assistant Deputy Director