

# **Noise Policies and Standards Update**

In 2020, the City of Lake Forest updated its General Plan, a long-term policy document which identifies the community's vision for the future

and provides a framework to guide decisions on growth, development, and public health and safety. More recently, the City updated the Public Safety Element, but left the noise-related provisions unchanged pending a comprehensive update of noise policies and standards. The City is now in the process of performing an update of these policies and standards contained in three documents:

- (1) Lake Forest Municipal Code (LFMC) Chapter 11.16 Noise Control
- (2) Lake Forest General Plan 2040 Public Safety Element
- (3) Lake Forest California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Significance Thresholds Guide

## Why are the Noise Policies and Standards Update Important?

Updating the noise policies and standards will align with the community's vision for the future, and provide clear, comprehensive, and consistent policies, standards, and thresholds to regulate mobile, stationary, and construction noise sources within the City.

### What Will Be Included in the Update?

The update will cover comprehensive revisions to the noise policies and standards in the LFMC, Public Safety Element, and CEQA Significance Thresholds Guide, as well as the development of noise regulations and policies for new mixed-use zoning districts.

#### How Can I Contribute?

Opportunities to provide feedback, ask questions, and review/comment on draft documents will be available throughout the process. Your comments, questions, suggestions, and concerns will play an important role in the development of the updated noise policies and standards.

Public engagement in the update process is essential, as it raises awareness of the need for clear and consistent noise regulations that protect public health and safety. By participating in the process, you will help shape the future of Lake Forest's noise policies and standards.

#### **Draft Documents:**

The City will post draft documents on this page for review and comment as they become available.

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