NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) (SCH# 2025100787)

Date: November 16, 2026

To: California State Clearinghouse, state Responsible and Trustee Agencies, federal agencies, county clerks, local jurisdictions and interested individuals and organizations

Subject: Notice of Availability of Draft EIR for public review to receive comment on the Judicial Council of California (Judicial Council), New Quincy Courthouse Project (Project) Draft EIR.

Lead Agency: Judicial Council of California (Judicial Council) is the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the Draft EIR.

Applicant: Judicial Council, 2860 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 400, Sacramento, CA 95833

Project Location: 253, 287, 295 Lawrence Street in Quincy, California (APNs 115-031-052, 115-031-054, and 115-031-055)

Public Meeting: Thursday, December 3, 2026. Plumas Sierra County Fairgrounds, Mineral Building. 5:30 p.m. The public meeting will not be livestreamed or recorded. Comments can be submitted in writing at the meeting, by email, or by mail (see below).

Project Description: The Judicial Council proposes to construct a new courthouse to relocate Superior Court of California, County of Plumas operations that are currently housed in the Plumas County Courthouse located in Quincy at 520 Main Street. The 2.86-acre Project site is located on three contiguous parcels at 253, 287, and 295 Lawrence Street in the unincorporated town of Quincy in Plumas County. The new Quincy Courthouse will be an approximately 23,100 square-foot, 1-story building and will include two courtrooms with support spaces, administrative and operations areas, Sheriff's Area, central in-custody holding area, secured loading zone and sallyport, and an entry plaza. The Project also includes site improvements, including new on-site surface parking lots and drive aisles, and rerouted utility connections to serve the new building.

In accordance with procedures set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Judicial Council has determined that an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is required for this Project. The Judicial Council is the lead agency for the preparation of the EIR. In accordance with Section 15105 of the CEQA Guidelines, the written public review period for the Draft EIR commences on Monday, November 16, 2026, and ends at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 31, 2026. Written comments must be received by the Judicial Council before the conclusion of the public comment period at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 31, 2026, and should be directed to the attention of Alexandra Cervantes, Senior Facilities Analyst; Judicial Council of California, Facilities Services; 2860 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 400, Sacramento, CA 95833. E-mail: newquincycourthouseproject@jud.ca.gov (use "New Quincy Courthouse EIR" in the subject line). The Draft EIR, including appendices, is available for review at the Quincy Branch Public Library at 445 Jackson Street, Quincy, CA 95971 during regular business hours (varies by weekday). The Draft EIR can also be reviewed online at: https://courts.ca.gov/facilities/plumas-county-new-quincy-courthouse

Significant Effects: The draft EIR determined that the Project may have significant effects on the following categories of environmental resources: aesthetics, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, noise, tribal cultural resources, and utilities and service systems.

Hazardous Waste and Substances Listing: The Project site is not listed on the Cortese List of hazardous materials sites maintained by the Department of Toxic Substances Control and the State Water Resources Control Board. Two former leaking underground storage tank sites (LUSTs) are within 1,000 feet of the Project site: (1) the "District Office AV Building/PUSD" site (T0606300047) at 50 Church Street and (2) the "USFS Quincy Forest Service" site (T0606300002) at 159 Lawrence Street. Both LUST sites have a status of "Completed – Case Closed," meaning a closure letter or other formal closure decision document has been issued for each of these sites.