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**Sierra Club California Publishes New Report Calling for
More Affordable Housing in California**

SACRAMENTO—A new report by Sierra Club California published today outlines the factors that have led to the housing crisis and its effects on California’s population and economy.

Sierra Club has been active in housing and related growth issues for several decades. The paper describes our long-standing policies that strongly support infill development and higher housing densities, social justice, reducing pollution and preserving the natural environment.

This report was written by Sierra Club California volunteer leaders who have expertise in planning and housing. It summarizes recent housing studies and legislation that motivates housing development. It also offers recommendations to further reform state housing laws that can contribute to a comprehensive solution to California’s housing crisis.

Statement by Kathryn Phillips, Director of Sierra Club California:

“Building enough affordable housing for California’s families and workers is one of the most important challenges facing California.

“State and local officials and electeds need to work together to spur development of affordable and infill housing while upholding tenants’ rights, reducing emissions and protecting wildlands. It’s possible to achieve these goals, but it will require collaboration.”

The paper is available at: <http://bit.ly/SCC-Housing-Report>.

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