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Department of General Services, Department of Housing and Community Development Announce Interactive Map Identifying State-Owned Sites for Potential Affordable Housing Development

SACRAMENTO – An [interactive map](#) showing excess state-owned property that can be used for sustainable, innovative and cost-effective housing developments has been developed by the Department of General Services (DGS) and the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

Governor Gavin Newsom ordered the creation of the map as part of [Executive Order N-06-19](#) issued on January 15, 2019 as part of his push to create more affordable housing in California.

State properties that were under-utilized or excess to need were identified and then screened to determine which sites would be potentially suitable for affordable housing development. The screening tools included such factors as relative size, proximity to schools, transportation and amenities, and general location to determine which sites have a better chance of being successfully developed.

The resulting GIS-enabled map is searchable, fully interactive, showing each site identified in the inventory, with a “heat map” overlay indicating where housing is most needed in the state. Not every property on the map will be developed, it simply shows properties that have potential.

In September 2019, DGS, in consultation with HCD, will begin issuing Requests for Proposals to begin developing affordable housing at selected sites. Developing entities would receive a long-term ground lease from the state and would build, own and manage the housing they develop, subject to oversight from the state.

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