## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF HOUSING POLICY DEVELOPMENT

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Theodore Smalley, Executive Director Tulare County Association of Governments 210 N. Church Street, Suite B Visalia, CA 93291

Dear Executive Director Theodore Smalley:

## RE: Review of Adopted 2023-2031 Regional Housing Need Allocation Plan

Thank you for submitting the adopted Tulare County Association of Government's (TCAG) Sixth Cycle Regional Housing Need Allocation (RHNA) Plan. Pursuant to Government Code Section 65584.05(h), the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is required to review RHNA plans for consistency with statutory requirements.

HCD has completed its review and is pleased to approve TCAG's adopted RHNA Plan, upon finding it consistent with HCD's October 27, 2021 regional housing need determination of 33,214 housing units. Please distribute the RHNA Plan to inform all local governments of their share of new housing need to be addressed in their sixth cycle Housing Element by December 31, 2023. In updating their Housing Elements, local governments may take RHNA credit for new units approved, permitted, and/or built beginning from the start date of the RHNA projection period, June 30, 2023.

HCD is committed to assisting TCAG's local governments in preparing and implementing updated Housing Elements to effectively address the region's housing need. Local governments are encouraged to develop local land use strategies to maximize land resources and encourage affordable housing and a variety of housing types, thus furthering the state's economic, fair housing, and environmental objectives.

We appreciate TCAG's efforts in completing the RHNA process. If HCD can provide any additional assistance, or if you, or your staff, have any questions please contact Tom Brinkhuis, Housing Policy Senior Specialist, at <a href="mailto:tom.brinkhuis@hcd.ca.gov">tom.brinkhuis@hcd.ca.gov</a> or Annelise Osterberg, Housing Policy Senior Specialist, at <a href="mailto:annelise.osterberg@hcd.ca.gov">annelise.osterberg@hcd.ca.gov</a>.

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