



Kings County Regional Housing Needs Assessment

KCAG Commission Public Hearing
October 26, 2022

What is the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA)?

- State law requires every city and county to plan for additional housing development to accommodate local needs
- 3-step RHNA process
 1. State HCD assigns total housing need to KCAG
 2. KCAG develops RHNA Plan for distributing housing needs to each jurisdiction
 3. County and cities prepare updated Housing Elements showing how they will accommodate the RHNA

Significance of the RHNA

- RHNA is not a prediction of future development
- RHNA is not a construction mandate
- RHNA is a planning goal
- Jurisdictions are not required to achieve the RHNA allocations
- But they must adopt plans and regulations to provide sufficient opportunities to accommodate the RHNA

Kings County RHNA Process



- January 2022: HCD assigned Kings County a total housing need of 9,429 units for the 2023-2032 planning period
- Feb - July: KCAG prepared preliminary methodology for allocating housing needs to each jurisdiction
- Feb - July: RHNA Advisory Committee review
- July 27: KCAG Commission public hearing - submit draft methodology to HCD
- September 21: HCD approval of draft methodology
- October 12: RHNA Advisory Committee recommendation for approval
- **October 26: KCAG Commission public hearing - approve RHNA methodology**
- Appeals process
- KCAG public hearing - RHNA Plan adoption

RHNA Methodology Factors

- RTP/SCS growth forecast – housing & employment
- Access to opportunity
- Housing vacancy rates
- Household incomes

Draft RHNA Allocations

Jurisdiction	Total	Pct.
Avenal	277	3%
Corcoran	715	8%
Hanford	5,547	59%
Lemoore	2,329	25%
Unincorporated	561	6%
TOTAL	9,429	100%

Recommended actions

1. Conduct public hearing
2. Adopt resolution approving final RHNA methodology
3. Direct staff to post final methodology and draft RHNA allocations



For more information:

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