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DENA M. SMITH Director

April 16, 2010

To: **Interested Individuals and Organizations:**

RE: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE CHURCH OF THE WOODS PROJECT (SCH #2004031114)

Dear Interested Party:

The Draft EIR for the Church of the Woods project is available for public review and comment. The purpose of the document is to identify and describe the probable environmental impacts that would result from the proposed project on approximately 38 acres.

The Church of the Woods project includes: 1) An application for a Tentative Parcel Map #16155 to create five (5) parcels: three (3) parcels for development of the church, baseball field, and soccer fields, and two (2) lettered parcels to be maintained as natural open space; and 2) a Conditional Use Permit comprised of three phases: Phase I would establish a 27,364 square foot assembly building, temporary amphitheater, skate park, recreation facility, a small baseball field, soccer fields, and associated parking; Phase II would create a 41,037 square foot auditorium/ministry building, a 2,500 square foot maintenance building/caretaker unit, and additional parking; and Phase III would establish a large baseball field, a 3,073 square foot chapel/retreat, a 23,510 square foot (1,200 seat) worship center to replace the temporary amphitheater, and additional parking on 38 acres in the community of Rim Forest. The site is located on the north side of Highway 18, approximately 450 ft. east of Bear Springs Road.

This document has been prepared to meet the State requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act. The Draft EIR has been prepared under the supervision of the County of San Bernardino Land Use Services Department, and is being circulated to the public, and to interested agencies in accordance with CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines. The proposed project will have significant impacts on Aesthetics, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Noise, and Land Use.

The Draft EIR is available for review at the following locations:

San Bernardino County Land Use Services Department Advance Planning Division 385 North Arrowhead Avenue San Bernardino, CA 92415-0182

Crestline Library 23555 Knapps Cutoff Crestline, CA 92325

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San Bernardino County **Building and Safety** Twin Peaks Regional Office 26010 State Highway 189 Twin Peaks, CA 92391

Running Springs Library 2677 Whispering Pines Running Springs, CA 92382

Lake Arrowhead Library 27235 Highway 189 Lake Arrowhead, CA 92317 Notice of Availability of Draft EIR Church of the Woods Project April 16, 2010 Page 2

The text of the Draft EIR is also posted on the San Bernardino County Land Use Services Department web page at www.sbcounty.gov/landuseservices (See Draft/Final EIRs/EISs). The public comment period will begin on April 19, 2010, and will end on June 3, 2010. Written comments and/or document requests should be addressed to:

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Sincerely,

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Attachment: Location/Site Map