

Notice of Availability and Intent to Adopt an Initial Study Mitigated Negative Declaration

Project Name:

Sierra Madre School Upper Campus

Project Location:

Regionally, the Sierra Madre School Upper Campus site is located in the San Gabriel Valley region of Los Angeles County, in the northern portion of the City of Sierra Madre. Specifically, the Project site is located directly north of East Highland Avenue, east of North Canon Avenue, south of East Laurel Avenue and west of Sierra Vista Park at 160 North Canon Avenue. The property consists of Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 576-600-2900.

Project Description:

The current Sierra Madre School Upper Campus is located on an approximately eight (8) acre site. The Project site contains a total of 13 buildings and breezeways totaling approximately 40,410 square feet. Implementation of the Project will demolish all existing structures on-site and will develop a grouping of two-story, small-scale buildings, totaling approximately 72,114 square feet. The total increase in square footage compared to the original facilities is approximately 31,704 square feet. The main increase in square footage is within the proposed support facilities, consistent with a modern middle school. Included within the new facility will be a gymnasium that will available for joint use with the City of Sierra Madre.

Environmental Effects Anticipated as a Result of the Project

The Initial Study Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared for this Project determined that the Project would not create any significant environmental impacts with implementation of the recommended mitigation measures. The IS/MND did not identify significant impacts related to development and operation of the project after mitigation. Additionally, the property is not on the Cortese List of sites with hazardous materials pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

Public Review Period

The Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for this Project, and is holding a 30-day public review period on the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) beginning on or about **April 28, 2010 and ending on May 28, 2010**, during which time responsible agencies, the public, and interested parties are invited to comment on the IS/MND for the proposed Project.

All comments and any questions should be directed to:

Name: Pasadena Unified School District

Address: 740 W. Woodbury Road, Pasadena, CA 91103

Contact: Steve Brinkman, Chief Facilities Planning at 626-396-3604

Locations Where The IS/MND May Be Reviewed:

The IS/MND is available for review at the following locations in the City of Sierra Madre and PUSD:

- City of Sierra Madre, City Hall, 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd, Sierra Madre, CA 91024.
- Sierra Madre Public Library, 440 West Sierra Madre Boulevard, Sierra Madre, CA 91024-2314.
- Pasadena Unified School District, 351 South Hudson Avenue, Pasadena, California 91109.
- Sierra Madre Elementary School, 141 West Highland Avenue, sierra Madre, California 91024.

Please submit your comments in writing to Mr. Steve Brinkman at 740 W. Woodbury Road, Pasadena, CA 91103, no later than 5:00 P.M. on May 28, 2010. For further information with this regard, contact Mr. Steve Brinkman at the Pasadena Unified School District at 626-396-3604.

Public Meetings

The Board of Education is scheduled to review the Project and the IS/MND at its meeting on June 8, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. and will be located at 351 S. Hudson Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101 (Room 236).

