



SANTA MONICA - MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

To: Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

From: Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD)

Subject: Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Proposed Project.

Project Title: Santa Monica High School Campus Plan Project (Proposed Project)

Project Location: The 26-acre Samohi campus is located at 601 Pico Boulevard in the City of Santa Monica in the County of Los Angeles and is located generally south of the intersection of Olympic Boulevard and Lincoln Boulevard, approximately 100 feet south of Interstate 10 (I-10, Santa Monica Freeway). The General Plan land use designation of the campus is Institutional Public Lands and the zoning is Institutional Public Lands (PL). The Proposed Project site is listed on the following environmental databases that are compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

Project Description: The Proposed Project for the entire existing campus is the Blue Concept, which consists of redevelopment or renovation of nearly all campus facilities, with the exception of Barnum Hall and the Innovation Building, phased over 25 years and would be implemented in nine (9) phases, resulting in the demolition of approximately 367,567 square feet of existing classroom buildings; development of approximately 317,534 square feet of new buildings; renovation and purposing 33,963 square feet of existing classroom buildings, renovation of the Greek Theater's concrete radial seating area; and construction of approximately 1,523,818 square feet of new parking structures, fields, and other support facilities on the campus.

Summary of Environmental Impacts: The Proposed Project would result in no impact to agricultural and forestry resources, biological resources, geology and soils, mineral resources, population and housing, and land use and planning. The Proposed Project would result in less than significant impacts to aesthetics, cultural resources, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, noise, public services, recreation, transportation and traffic, and utilities and service systems. The Proposed Project would result in significant unavoidable impacts related to air quality.

Community Presentation: SMMUSD will hold a community presentation on the Proposed Project and Draft EIR at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, December 17, 2018 at the Santa Monica High School Cafeteria located at 601 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, CA 90403. Agencies, organizations, and interested persons are welcome to attend.

Document Availability: The Draft EIR and Appendices are available for review at the following locations:

- SMMUSD website: http://fip.smmusd.org/reports/Samohi/Samohi_Campus_Plan_DEIR.pdf
- Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, 1651 16th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90404 (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday)
- Santa Monica High School Library 601 Pico, Santa Monica, CA 90405

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- Santa Monica Public Library Main Branch at 601 Santa Monica Boulevard, Santa Monica, CA 90401 (10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday through Saturday, and 1:00 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday)

Comment Period: The Draft EIR is made available for review and comment commencing on **November 30, 2018 and ending January 16, 2019**. The Draft EIR and all documents referenced therein are available for review at 1651 Sixteenth Street, Santa Monica, CA 90404 by contacting Carey Upton at (310) 399-5865 ext. 79383 from the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Please address all comments in writing to Carey Upton, Chief Operations Officer, Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District 1651 16th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90404 or via email to: cupton@smmusd.org (please include the project name in the heading). SMMUSD will only accept written comments received during the comment period. After close of the public comment period, SMMUSD will prepare responses to timely written comments and the Final EIR. SMMUSD's Board of Education will consider certifying the Final EIR, adopt findings, a statement of overriding considerations, and a Mitigation Monitoring Program, and approve the Proposed Project at its regularly scheduled Board meeting on February 7, 2019. No public hearing is required or will be held.