



NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND WILSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

September 18, 2015

The San Diego Unified School District (district) is the lead agency requesting input regarding the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed Central Elementary School and Wilson Middle School Redevelopment Project, a project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The purpose of this notice of preparation is to solicit input on the scope and content of the draft EIR for the proposed project.

Project Title: Central Elementary School and Wilson Middle School Redevelopment Project

Project Applicant: San Diego Unified School District

Project Description: The district proposes to demolish and rebuild Wilson Middle School, and relocate Central Elementary School onto the existing Wilson site within the City Heights community of the City of San Diego.

The new Wilson Middle School would consist of the following classrooms: seven science, 19 general purpose, two small group, three special education, as well as six for visual and performing arts. The school would have the capacity for four more classrooms in the future, i.e., two science labs and two general purpose. The new school would also have facilities for the administration, health center, media center, food service, maintenance/support spaces; physical education (P.E.); P.E. play field and courts, an arts center (music, art, exploratory labs, media); and a performing arts center to be shared with the community.

The new Central Elementary School would consist of 28 general purpose classrooms, 11 pre-kindergarten/kindergarten classrooms and four special education classrooms. The new school would also include facilities for the administration, health center, community clinic, media center, daycare, food service, maintenance/support areas and P.E. play courts. In addition, it would have a multipurpose building.

Parking would be necessary for the project. An underground parking structure is considered to meet the parking demands.

Project Location: The proposed project site is located within the City Heights Community of the City of San Diego, California, at current site of Wilson Middle School, 3838 Orange Avenue, San Diego, CA 92105

Probable Environmental Effects: The district has determined that an EIR will be prepared for the proposed project through the preparation of an initial study (CEQA Guidelines §15063[a]). As a result, the probable environmental impacts that will be analyzed as part of the EIR include air quality and greenhouse gas, cultural resources, noise and traffic.

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15082(b), your comments regarding the scope and content of the environmental analysis must be submitted no later than 30 days after receipt of this notice. The public review period is from Sept. 18, 2015, until Oct. 19, 2015. Please send your comments no later than Oct. 19, 2015, directly to:

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The district will also hold a public scoping meeting at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 28, 2015, at Central Elementary School's multipurpose room, 4063 Polk Ave, San Diego 92105. The public meeting will provide an opportunity to disseminate information, identify issues, and to discuss the scope of review to be included in the EIR. For more project information, contact Kathryn Ferrell, environmental coordinator/project manager, 858-627-7298.