



# NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN



**TO:** Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

**PROJECT TITLE:** Huntington Park High School Comprehensive Modernization Project

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report in Compliance with Title 14, Sections 15082(a), 15103, and 15375 of the California Code of Regulations and Notice of Public Comment Period for Removal Action Workplan

**NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN** that the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in the preparation of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed Huntington Park High School Comprehensive Modernization Project (Project). LAUSD has prepared this Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the EIR in order to provide the widest exposure and opportunity for input from public agencies, stakeholders, organizations, and individuals on the scope of the environmental analysis addressing the potential effects of the Project. Notice is further given that a Removal Action Workplan (RAW) has been prepared and is available for review for the Project.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The 22.5-acre Huntington Park High School (HPS) is located at 6020 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, Los Angeles County, California.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Project encompasses most of the HPS campus and consists of the comprehensive modernization of the campus, including demolition, construction, and renovation activities. The Project includes demolition and removal of 8 relocatable buildings and 4 permanent buildings: 1) Home Economics & Classroom, 2) Power Plant/Boiler Vault Building 1, 3) Annex, and 4) Gymnasium; construction of a new classroom building, a new specialty classroom building, and Gymnasium (and outdoor pool); and remodel and modernization of the existing Administration, Science & Classroom, and Classroom Building 1. Other improvements include campuswide infrastructure, including domestic water, fire, irrigation, gas, sewer, low voltage (e.g., fire, telephone, data), electrical, storm drainage, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance, landscape, hardscape, and exterior paint.

Prior to construction of the new facilities, the District proposes to remove approximately 117 cubic yards of soil with elevated concentrations of arsenic, chlordane, and/or lead from the campus and dispose of it off-site in accordance with the conditions that are presented in the RAW.

**POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:** Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15060(d), and based on the environmental analysis in the Initial Study, the District has determined that an EIR is the appropriate level of environmental documentation for the Project. The focus of the EIR will be on the potentially significant effects of the Project related to cultural resources and energy.

The RAW presents the findings of the environmental investigations performed for this Project and outlines the proposed process for the removal and off-site disposal of the impacted soil.

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:** LAUSD will make this NOP and the Initial Study (pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15082[b]) and RAW available for public review and comment from **August 23, 2017**, to **September 22, 2017**.

**RESPONSES AND COMMENTS:** Please identify a contact person for your agency or organization and send your comments to:

**CEQA Questions and Comments**

Los Angeles Unified School District  
Office of Environmental Health and Safety  
Attention: Ms. Eimon Smith, CEQA Project Manager  
333 South Beaudry Avenue, 21st Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90017  
Email: CEQA-comments@lausd.net  
*Please include "HPS Comp Mod" in the subject line*

**RAW Questions and Comments**

Los Angeles Unified School District  
Office of Environmental Health and Safety  
Attention: Ms. Jennifer Hilario, Site Assessment Project Manager  
333 South Beaudry Avenue, 21st Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90017  
Email: jennifer.hilario@lausd.net  
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**SCOPING MEETING:** LAUSD will hold a public meeting on **Wednesday, September 6, 2017**, at **6:00 PM** in the Auditorium at Huntington Park High School, 6020 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, CA 90255. All agencies, organizations, and interested parties are encouraged to attend.

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** The Initial Study is available for review at the following locations:

- LAUSD, Office of Environmental Health and Safety, 333 South Beaudry Avenue, 21st Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017 (by appointment, call 213.241.3199)
- Huntington Park High School Library, 6020 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, CA 90255
- LAUSD, Local District - East, 2151 N. Soto Street, Los Angeles, CA 90032
- Huntington Park Library, 6518 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, CA 90255
- LAUSD Office of Environmental Health and Safety Website:
  - CEQA Initial Study (<http://achieve.lausd.net/ceqa>)
  - RAW (<http://achieve.lausd.net/siteassessment>)