



**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION  
AND  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR PRELIMINARY ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

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

**PROJECT TITLE:** Rise Kohyang High School

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Notice of Public Comment Period for Preliminary Environmental Assessment

**Notice is hereby given** that the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD or District), as Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) has prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration and supporting Initial Study (MND-IS) for the Rise Kohyang High School (proposed Project), pursuant to the CEQA (Public Resources Code [PRC], Division 13, Section 21000 et seq. [CEQA Statute] and the California Code of Regulations [CCR], Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Section 15000 et seq. [CEQA Guidelines]). Based on the IS, LAUSD determined that the proposed Project would have no significant adverse impacts on the environment and Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) is appropriate. The District is providing public notice in compliance with California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Sections 15072 and 15073, as amended. Notice is further given that a Preliminary Environmental Assessment (PEA) has been prepared for the Project and is available for review.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** 3500, 3468, 3478 3474, 3470, 3464, 3506, and 3510 West 1<sup>st</sup> Street, and 119 and 115 South Madison Avenue, Los Angeles, 90004

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Project applicant, Bright Star Schools, is seeking development approval from LAUSD for the construction and operation of a charter school (Rise Kohyang High School; proposed Project). The new charter high school would have a capacity of 600 students in grades 9-12 and 75 full and part-time teachers and staff. The Project consists of a 76,390-square-foot two-story building with staff space (reception/clerical/ administration/teacher offices, meeting rooms), restrooms, support space (custodial, storage, electrical/telecommunications rooms), 24 classrooms, multipurpose room and servery, gymnasium, and semi-subterranean parking garage. The PEA presents the findings of the site assessment investigations performed for this Project. The campus is not on any of the lists compiled under Government Code Section 65926.5 (Cortese List).

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** The MND-IS and PEA are available for public review during regular business hours at the locations listed below.

- LAUSD, Office of Environmental Health and Safety, 333 South Beaudry Avenue, 21<sup>st</sup> Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017 (by appointment, call (213) 241-3417)
- Rise Kohyang High School, 600 South La Fayette Park Place, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90057
- Felipe de Neve Brach Library, 2820 West 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Angeles, CA 90057
- Wilshire Branch Library, 149 North Saint Andrews Place, Los Angeles, CA 90004
- LAUSD Office of Environmental Health and Safety Website:
  - CEQA IS-MND (<http://achieve.lausd.net/ceqa>)
  - PEA (<http://achieve.lausd.net/siteassessment>)

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:** The MND-IS (pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15073(a)) and PEA are available for public review and comment for 30 days, from **June 10, 2019 to July 10, 2019**.

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

CEQA and PEA 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](mailto:CEQA-comments@lausd.net)  
Please include *"Bright Star Charter School"* in the subject line

**COMMUNITY MEETING:** Bright Star Schools will hold a public meeting on **June 17, 2019 at 6:00 PM** at the Rise Kohyang Middle School, 3020 Wilshire Blvd., 2nd Floor, Los Angeles, CA. Agencies, organizations, and interested parties are encouraged to attend, ask questions, and comment on the MND-IS.

**LAUSD BOARD HEARING:** Additional information concerning the proposed Project will be posted on the District's OEHS website: <http://achieve.lausd.net/ceqa>. The LAUSD Board of Education (Board) will consider this item during a scheduled meeting. Check the LAUSD Board website to find the meeting date and time at <http://laschoolboard.org>. The Board meeting will be held in the Board Room at the District Headquarters located at: 333 South Beaudry Avenue in Los Angeles. Agencies, organizations, and interested parties are welcome to attend.