



**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 Middle 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 Middle School (proposed Project), pursuant to 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 an 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: 1700 and 1710 West Olympic Boulevard, and 1001, 1003, 1005, 1007, 1011, 1015, 1019, 1023, and 1029 South Beacon, 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 on a site at the southwest corner of West Olympic Boulevard and Beacon Avenue in the City of Los Angeles. The proposed Project would develop a new charter middle school with a capacity for 450 students in grades 6-8 and 40 full- and part-time teachers and staff. The campus would include an approximately 69,200-square-foot, four-story building with staff space (reception / clerical / administration / teacher offices, meeting rooms), restrooms, support space (custodial, storage, electrical / telecommunications rooms), 21 classrooms, multipurpose room and servery, and 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.

- Rise Kohyang Middle School, 3020 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90057
 - Rise Kohyang Middle School website: <https://brightstarschools.org/District/Department/9-Public-Documents-Information>
- Pico Union Branch Library, 1030 S Alvarado Street, Los Angeles, CA 90006
- Felipe de Neve Branch Library, 2820 West 6th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90057
- LAUSD Office of Environmental Health and Safety Website
 - CEQA IS-MND: <http://achieve.lausd.net/ceqa>
 - PEA: <http://achieve.lausd.net/siteassessment>
- CEQAnet Web Portal: <https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/>

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 **September 30, 2021, to October 30, 2021**.

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
Please include *"Bright Star Charter Middle School"* in the subject line

COMMUNITY MEETING: Bright Star Schools will hold a public meeting on **October 12, 2021, at 6:00 pm** at the **Bright Star Schools, 600 S. La Fayette Park Place Los Angeles, California 90057**. Agencies, organizations, and interested parties are encouraged to attend, ask questions, and comment on the MND-IS. Covid safety measures will be in place per LA County Health Department Guidelines.

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 at: 333 South Beaudry Avenue in Los Angeles. Agencies, organizations, and interested parties are welcome to attend.