

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Department of Toxic Substances Control
Site Mitigation and Restoration Program
5796 Corporate Avenue
Cypress CA 90630

Subject: FILING OF NOTICE OF DETERMINATION IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 21108 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

Project Title: Former Ramona Elementary School Site Feasibility Study/Remedial Action Plan

State Clearinghouse Number: 2001071116

Project Location: 1524 West 7th Street, San Bernardino, CA 92411

County: San Bernardino

Project Applicant: National Development Council

Project Description: The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) approved the Feasibility Study/Remedial Action Plan (FS/RAP) for the Former Ramona Elementary School Site (Project Site). The remediation activities consist of debris removal to address the building debris containing asbestos and lead from the Casa Ramona's Community Center and Childcare Center buildings which were burned beyond repair in 2020. In addition, once the debris removal activities are completed, the potential for shallow soil impacts at the Project Site will be assessed.

The areas selected for soil assessment will focus on the historically unpaved areas at the Project Site, such as the former school courtyards. Approximately, 200 cubic yards of shallow soil could be removed from the Project Site as California-hazardous waste and disposed at an off-Site facility.

The FS/RAP summarized the previous environmental investigations and concluded that the debris removal and potential shallow soil removal is required to protect human health and the environment.

The City of San Bernardino, as the CEQA Lead Agency, approved the Casa Ramona Renovation Project/Conditional Use Permit No. 01-06 (EIR) on January 22, 2002. The Project consisted of the renovation of an approximately 22,800 square foot building to accommodate social services for area residents such as senior and daycare services, counseling services, dental offices, county service agencies, and other community outreach programs.

DTSC, as a CEQA Responsible Agency, utilized the previously approved EIR in evaluating the potential environmental impacts associated with the FS/RAP remediation activities. An Addendum to the EIR was prepared analyzing the remediation activities and concluding the proposed remediation will not result in significant and unavoidable impacts to human health or the environment.

As a Responsible Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC approved the above-described project on March 28, 2023 and has made the following determinations:

1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report Addendum was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of project approval.
4. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project.
5. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The administrative record for this project is available to the public by appointment at the following location:

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Additional project information is available on EnviroStor:

https://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/profile_report.asp?global_id=60003149

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