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SCH #: 2010062078

Project Title: KIPP Esperanza High School Project

Lead Agency: City of East Palo Alto

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Project Location: East Palo Alto, San Mateo County

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Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The City of East Palo Alto has prepared a Supplemental Mitigation Negative Declaration for the East Palo Alto Phoenix Academy (renamed KIPP Esperanza High School, MND was adopted in August 2010). In light of new information, the SMND has been prepared to analyze the proposed project modifications in relation to the following changes. KIPP Bay Area Public Schools is seeking a CUP that would result in the following changes to the existing condition and campus plan: • Interim (Phase 1) use of the existing East Parking as an outdoor all-weather basketball court.
• Ultimate (Phase 2) construction of four new classrooms (including two restrooms and outdoor gathering space) to replace the interim basketball court use. New building area would total 4,000 sf or a less than 10% increase over existing 38,400 sf.
• Change in total parking inventory from 68 to 52 spaces.
• Incidental changes to building colors/painting.
•Net increase of up to 239 high school students above the currently approved facility capacity.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Regarding traffic impacts, the project would result in increased bicycle, pedestrian and drop-off traffic in the immediate vicinity of the school compared to the previously adopted MND. This increased activity and concentration of multi-modal traffic with the classroom expansion could result in localized conflicts and vehicle queuing lengths that could pose safety concerns. To address these issues, MM TRA-1 is proposed as a condition of project approval. MM TRA-1 would require additional sidewalks and safety monitors during peak times to reduce potential hazards and conflicts to a less than significant level.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

Air Resources Board, Caltrans District #4, Department of Education, Fish & Game Region #3, Housing & Community Development, Native American Heritage Commission, Office of Public School Construction, Regional WQCB #2, S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Commission