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Notice of Preparation

June 10, 2019

To: Reviewing Agencies

Re: Merced High School Stadium Project
SCH# 2019060008

Attached for your review and comment is the Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the Merced High School Stadium Project draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

Responsible agencies must transmit their comments on the scope and content of the NOP, focusing on specific information related to their own statutory responsibility, within 30 days of receipt of the NOP from the Lead Agency. This is a courtesy notice provided by the State Clearinghouse with a reminder for you to comment in a timely manner. We encourage other agencies to also respond to this notice and express their concerns early in the environmental review process.

Please direct your comments to:

Ted Walstrom
Merced Union High School District
P.O. Box 2147
Merced, CA 95344

with a copy to the State Clearinghouse in the Office of Planning and Research at state.clearinghouse@opr.ca.gov. Please refer to the SCH number noted above in all correspondence concerning this project on our website: <https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/2019060008/2>.

If you have any questions about the environmental document review process, please call the State Clearinghouse at (916) 445-0613.

Sincerely,

Scott Morgan
Director, State Clearinghouse

cc: Lead Agency

NOP Distribution List

County: Merced

SCH# 2019060008

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Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

Mail to: State Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 3044, Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 (916) 445-0613
 For Hand Delivery/Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

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Project Title: Merced High School Stadium Project

Lead Agency: Merced Union High School District Contact Person: Ted Walstrom, CSR
 Mailing Address: P.O. Box 2147 Phone: (209) 325-2043
 City: Merced Zip: 95344 County: Merced

Project Location: County: Merced City/Nearest Community: Merced
 Cross Streets: Olive Avenue and G Street Zip Code: 95348
 Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 37 ° 19 ' 20.5 " N / -120 ° 28 ' 19.2 " W Total Acres: 3
 Assessor's Parcel No.: 236-180-011 Section: 18 Twp.: 7S Range: 14E Base: MDB&M
 Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 99, 140, 59 Waterways: Black Rascal Creek, Fahrens Creek, Bear Creek
 Airports: _____ Railways: BNSF Schools: _____

Document Type:

CEQA: NOP Draft EIR NEPA: NOI Other: Joint Document
 Early Cons Supplement/Subsequent EIR EA Final Document
 Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) _____ Draft EIS Other: _____
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Local Action Type:

General Plan Update Specific Plan Rezone Annexation
 General Plan Amendment Master Plan Prezone Redevelopment
 General Plan Element Planned Unit Development Use Permit Coastal Permit
 Community Plan Site Plan Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) Other: _____

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Development Type:

Residential: Units _____ Acres _____
 Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____
 Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____
 Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____
 Educational: High School Stadium
 Recreational: _____
 Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____
 Transportation: Type _____
 Mining: Mineral _____
 Power: Type _____ MW _____
 Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
 Hazardous Waste: Type _____
 Other: _____

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

Aesthetic/Visual Fiscal Recreation/Parks Vegetation
 Agricultural Land Flood Plain/Flooding Schools/Universities Water Quality
 Air Quality Forest Land/Fire Hazard Septic Systems Water Supply/Groundwater
 Archeological/Historical Geologic/Seismic Sewer Capacity Wetland/Riparian
 Biological Resources Minerals Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading Growth Inducement
 Coastal Zone Noise Solid Waste Land Use
 Drainage/Absorption Population/Housing Balance Toxic/Hazardous Cumulative Effects
 Economic/Jobs Public Services/Facilities Traffic/Circulation Other: _____

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

School/Low Density Residential/School

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

Construction of a high school football stadium with a seating capacity for 3,100. The first 2,000 seats will be constructed in the first phase with an additional 1,100 seats completed in a future phase. Grandstands will be located on the south, east and north sides of the stadium, connected by concrete walkways around the perimeter of the football field to an entry gate structure located at the southeast corner of the stadium and to a concessions/restroom building on the east side of the stadium. The project includes the construction of walking paths connecting the stadium to existing parking on the southern portion of the high school campus. Construction of the stadium is anticipated to begin in early 2020. The project site has been used as a campus football field since 1986. The project will utilize the existing lighting, which has been in place since 2009.

Note: The State Clearinghouse will assign identification numbers for all new projects. If a SCH number already exists for a project (e.g. Notice of Preparation or previous draft document) please fill in.

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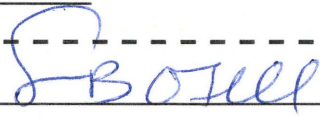
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Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date 6/10/19 Ending Date 7/10/19

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 6/6/19

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.