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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE 231 GRANT EDUCATOR WORKFORCE HOUSING PROJECT

Project Owner/Applicant: County of Santa Clara
Project Title: 231 Grant Educator Workforce Housing
Assessor's Parcel Number: 132-31-074 and 984-88-004

As the Lead Agency, the County of Santa Clara (County) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the proposed 231 Grant Educator Workforce Housing Project (the Project), described below. Your comments regarding the significant environmental effects of this Project and the adequacy of the Draft EIR are welcome. The 45-day public review period begins on **Tuesday October 5, 2021** and ends at 5:00 p.m. on **Friday November 19, 2021**. Details for submitting comments are provided below.

The Project (State Clearinghouse No. 2020120049) proposes demolition of the existing single-story building on the site at 231 Grant Avenue in the City of Palo Alto, California, and construction of a four-story building totaling approximately 115,000 SF, on the approximately 1.4-acre site. The building would be developed with approximately 110 residential units and associated amenities, as well as approximately 1,100 square feet of "flex space" which would be utilized as a café or other retail/commercial use. The residential units would be intended to serve teachers and classified staff from schools in Santa Clara County and southern San Mateo County.

The Project would result in potentially significant environmental impacts in relation to air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, noise and vibration, transportation, and tribal cultural resources. All of these impacts could be mitigated to a less than significant level except for the significant impacts from noise and vibration during construction.

This notice is required to disclose whether the project site is listed as a hazardous waste site. The project site is **not** a listed hazardous waste site but is located above the California-Olive-Emerson regional groundwater plume, which is listed on the National Priorities List (also known as Superfund).

The Draft EIR, related technical appendices, and all documents incorporated by reference in the Draft EIR are available for review online at: <https://www.sccgov.org/231grant>. An electronic copy of the Draft EIR has been emailed to parties that have previously expressed an interest in the Project and is available to others upon request.

Hard copies of the Draft EIR are also available for public review during the 45-day review period at the following locations:

- County of Santa Clara, Facilities and Fleet Department
2310 N. First Street, Suite 200, San José, CA 95131.
- City of Palo Alto Development Center, 285 Hamilton Ave Palo Alto, CA 94301.
- Mitchell Park Library, 3700 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto, CA 94303.

During the public review period for the Draft EIR, the County of Santa Clara will conduct a public meeting at the following time and location:

6:30 p.m. on October 20, 2021

Virtual meeting via Zoom, details available at <https://www.sccgov.org/231grant>.

Comments on the Draft EIR must be received before the end of the 45-day public review period (5:00 p.m. on **Friday, November 19, 2021**) in order for those comments to be responded to in the Final EIR. The Final EIR may not include responses to comments received after this date and time. Oral comments made at the public meeting will be responded to in the Final EIR.

Written comments should be sent via mail or email to:

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