



**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT
A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR
THE O'FARRELL CHARTER SCHOOL
WHOLE SITE MODERNIZATION
PROJECT**

March 12, 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the San Diego Unified School District (District), as lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) has prepared an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the O'Farrell Charter School Whole Site Modernization Project (Proposed Project).

Project Title: O'Farrell Charter School Whole Site Modernization Project

Project Applicant: San Diego Unified School District

Project Location: O'Farrell Charter School is located at 6130 Skyline Drive in the Encanto Neighborhoods community, in the southern portion of the city of San Diego. The entire 27.3-acre campus is considered to constitute the Project Site. The Project Site is located entirely within Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) 549-240-07, 549-240-08, and 49-350-01. The Project Site is bound to the north by three residential homes and Pastor Timothy J. Winters Street, to the west by 61st Street, to the south by Skyline Drive, and to the east by single-family residences. The Site is not identified as a cleanup site enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

Project Description: The Proposed Project involves improvements to the existing O'Farrell Charter School, including construction of a new student union building and outdoor gathering space. The Project would also include new student drop-off areas and parking lot improvements. In addition, the Proposed Project would modernize several other buildings on campus with new flooring, roofing, and interior lighting. While the number of classrooms would increase on campus, the total number of students would not exceed its previously approved enrollment/capacity amount of 1,835 students. Construction of the Project would begin in 2021, and last for approximately 36 months.

Unmitigable Significant Environmental Effects: No significant and unmitigable impacts were identified.

Mitigable Significant Environmental Effects: Significant impacts were identified for air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, hazards and hazardous materials, noise, transportation, tribal cultural resources, and mandatory findings of significance, however, feasible mitigation has been identified that would reduce impacts in each of these areas to below a level of significance.

Document Availability: Copies of the IS/MND are available on the District website at:

http://www.sandiegounified.org/departments/facilities_planning_and_construction/environmental_reviews

Public Review Period: The public review period of the MND begins on **March 12, 2021** and ends on **April 12, 2021**. Written comments are encouraged to be sent by email to environmental@sandi.net or mailed to: Paul Garcia, CEQA Project Coordinator, Facilities Planning and Construction, 4860 Ruffner Street, Annex Room 5, San Diego CA 92111. **All comments must be received by 5:00pm on the final day of the comment period.**

District Board Hearing: Additional information concerning the Proposed Project will be posted on the District's website noted above. The Board of Education will consider this item during a regularly scheduled meeting. Check the District website to find the meeting date and time at

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ca/sandi/Board.nsf/Public>.