

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

REDLANDS EAST VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL STADIUM PROJECT

TO: Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties **DATE:** February 7, 2022
FROM: Redlands Unified School District (Lead Agency)
SUBJECT: Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Redlands East Valley High School Stadium Project (State Clearinghouse No. 2021110378)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Redlands Unified School District (RUSD or District) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed Redlands East Valley High School Stadium Project (State Clearinghouse No. 2021110378) to address the potential environmental effects associated with implementation of the project. Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21165 and the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines (CEQA Guidelines) Section 15050, the District is the lead agency for the project. The purpose of this notice is to (1) serve as a Notice of Availability (NOA) of a DEIR pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines Section 15087 and (2) advise and solicit comments regarding the content of the DEIR.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY: Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21083 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15087, the DEIR will be available for a 45-day public review from **Monday, February 7, 2022 through Wednesday, March 23, 2022**. Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.4, responsible and trustee agencies must submit any comments in response to this notice no later than 45 days after receipt.

Copies of the DEIR are available for review at the following locations:

- Redlands Unified School District, 20 W. Lugonia Avenue, Redlands, CA 92374
- Redlands East Valley High School, 31000 E Colton Ave, Redlands, CA 92374
- Redlands Unified School District website: <https://www.redlandsusd.net/domain/5513>

WRITTEN COMMENTS: Please send your comments pertaining to the content of the DEIR to Redlands Unified School District Operations & Facilities Planning Department via phone, mail, or e-mail as noted below. Please include the name, phone number, and email address of a contact person in all responses submitted.

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PROJECT LOCATION: Redlands East Valley HS is located at 31000 East Colton Avenue (Assessor's Parcel Map Numbers 0299-031-30) in unincorporated San Bernardino County, California. The Redlands East Valley High School Stadium project (proposed project) would be developed within the existing school campus. Specifically, the proposed project would disturb approximately 6.95 acres of the western side of the approximately 60.1-acre campus (project site).

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Regional access to the Redlands East Valley HS campus is provided by State Route (SR) 38 located 0.5 miles north of the project site and Interstate 10 located approximately 3 miles west and south. Redlands East Valley HS is bounded by East Colton Avenue to the north, Opal Avenue to the west, King Street to the east, and agricultural uses to the south.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed new football stadium and track and field facilities and associated improvements would replace the existing football field and track facilities. Plans include bleacher seating for 3,000 people, lighting, a home ticket booth and restroom/concession building, and visitor ticket booth and restroom/concession building. The proposed project would also include various improvements to landscaping, new chain-link fencing, access and circulation improvements, and emergency access improvements.

The new stadium would allow Redlands East Valley High School to hold home games and events at its own campus. The high school presently conducts its home games, track meets, and school events at various locations, including Beaumont High School, Yucaipa Community Park, Citrus Valley High School, and Redlands High School. The onsite stadium would eliminate the need to bus event participants, e.g., coaches, athletes, and band members, to home games. The proposed project would also serve as a source of school and community pride by providing the high school with a state-of-the art facility, while at the same time increasing the quality of the high school's athletic curriculum.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed project would result in a less than significant impact to aesthetics, air quality, energy, greenhouse gas emissions, hydrology and water quality, public services, transportation, and tribal cultural resources. Based on the analysis in the DEIR and comment letters received in response to the NOP, the District determined that implementation of the proposed project would result in a significant and unavoidable impact to Noise.