



## NOTICE OF INTENT

### TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

### FOR SUNNY SANDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MODERNIZATION PROJECT

Notice is hereby given that the Palm Springs Unified School District (PSUSD), as the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), named below has completed an Initial Study of the following described project at the following location:

<b>Lead Agency:</b>	Palm Springs Unified School District (PSUSD)
<b>Project Name:</b>	Sunny Sands Elementary School (SSES) Modernization Project
<b>Project Description:</b>	PSUSD proposes modernizing SSES, including replacing existing modular and portable classroom buildings with new permanent one-story buildings and one two-story building, renovating and modernizing the interior of the existing multipurpose building, and improving the hardscape and landscape around the school buildings. Construction of the Project would occur on the SSES campus where existing buildings are located. The Project would provide SSES with necessary interior improvements and renovations, while aesthetically improving the SSES campus.
<b>Project Location:</b>	The SSES campus is located at 69310 McCallum Way in towards the center of the City, to the north. The SSES campus is bound by Kemper Road to the north, residential developments to the east, McCallum Way to the south, and San Eljay Avenue to the west.

The Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and accompanying Initial Study (IS) was completed in accordance with the State CEQA Guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act. On the basis of the Initial Study, the District Staff have concluded that the project, with the incorporation of mitigation measures, will not have a significant effect on the environment, and has therefore prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND). The MND and IS reflect the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.

- The Project site **IS** on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5.
- The Project site **IS NOT** on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5.
- The proposed project site **IS** considered a project of statewide, regional or areawide significance.
- The proposed project site **IS NOT** considered a project of statewide, regional or areawide significance.
- The proposed project **WILL** affect highways or other facilities under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation.
- The proposed project **WILL NOT** affect highways or other facilities under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation.
- A scoping meeting **WILL** be held by the lead agency.
- A scoping meeting **WILL NOT** be held by the lead agency.

Copies of the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study are on file and are available for public review online at [www.psusd.us](http://www.psusd.us) and at the Lead Agency's office, located at 150 District Center Drive, Palm Springs, CA 92264.

**Lead Agency Address:** 150 District Center Drive, Palm Springs, CA 92264

The review period for this project starts on April 20, 2022 and ends on May 27, 2022. Comments will be received until 5:00 PM. Any person wishing to comment on this matter must submit such comments, in writing, to the District prior to this date. Comments of all Responsible Agencies are also requested.

The Board of Education for PSUSD, as the Lead Agency, will consider the project and the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration at its meeting to be scheduled later this year

The PSUSD, as Lead Agency, finds that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, it may adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration. This means that the Lead Agency may proceed to consider the Project without the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report.

Date Received  
for Filing: \_\_\_\_\_

(County Clerk stamp here)

  
 Julie Arthur  
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 Palm Springs Unified School District