

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Sunny Sands Elementary School (SSES) Modernization Project

Lead Agency: Palm Springs Unified School District (PSUSD)

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Project Location: Cathedral City

City

Riverside County

County

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

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, improving the hardscape and landscaping around 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.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

A Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and Initial Study (IS) document has been prepared to address the potential environmental impacts of the Project. The MND /IS has considered all possible impacts and incorporated additional Mitigation Measures for the impact areas of Biological Resources, Hazards and Hazardous Waste, Noise, Transportation and Traffic, and Tribal Cultural Resources.

Biological Resources: MM BIO-1: Pre-Construction Surveys for Migratory Birds (including avoidance if found) to reduce impacts to the protected species.

Hazards and Hazardous Waste: MM HAZ-1: The District shall retain a qualified expert(s) to determine if the Project site contains any hazardous materials and remove them. MM HAZ- 2 through 4 describes removal of PCB-containing materials, asbestos, and lead based paint, respectively.

Noise: MM N-1 through N-8 and N-11 would provide noise monitoring during construction. MM N-9 through N-10 would reduce vibration impacts caused by Project construction activities.

Transportation and Traffic: MM TRA-1 regulate construction-related vehicle access to the Project site, MM TRA-2 for the preparation of Construction Traffic Control Plan.

Tribal Cultural Resources: MM TCR-1: Construction monitoring by a qualified archaeologist and/or tribal representative, MM TCR-2: Contact the county coroner in the event of the discovery of human remains. The NAHC and local tribal representatives would be contacted if remains of Native American Heritage are discovered.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

None.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

California Department of Education (CDE)
California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)
Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC)