NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

for the Lamont STEM Academy Project

Notice is hereby given that the Lamont Elementary School District has released the Initial Study – Mitigated Negative Declaration (ISMND) document for a 30-day public review/comment period.

Proposed Project: Lamont STEM Academy Project, Central Kitchen and Maintenance, Operation, and Transportation Facility

Project Description: The proposed project would involve construction of a six-building elementary school campus that serves STEM students as well as a Central Kitchen, Maintenance, Operation, and Transportation (MOT) Facility. The proposed structures would be one-story and would have a total floor area of approximately 26,340 square feet. The proposed project is designed to provide classroom space and education facilities to accommodate existing and projected student enrollment and would support anticipated increases in student population in the District. The project would include utility connections for water, wastewater, stormwater drainage, power, and telecommunication services in accordance with requirements of applicable utility providers.

Project Location: The project site is in Kern County in the Lamont census-designated place in unincorporated Kern County. The project would be located on 19 acres of the 22-acre parcel. The site is regionally accessible from state routes 58, 184, and 223 and from Interstate 5.

Environmental Effects: The IS-MND discloses "Potentially Significant" or "Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated" for the following resource categories: air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, greenhouse gas emissions and climate change, hazards and hazardous materials, noise, transportation, tribal cultural resources, and Mandatory Findings of Significance. No effects were found to be significant and unavoidable and could not have a significant effect on the environment.

Public Review and Comment

The ISMND prepared for the proposed Lamont STEM Academy Project is available for public review from October 10, 2022, to 5:00pm on November 10, 2022, at:

- Lamont School District Website (https://www.lamontschooldistrict.org)
- Lamont School District Office (7915 Burgundy Avenue, Lamont, California 93241)

Written comments must be submitted no later than 5:00pm on November 10, 2022. Please address comments to:

Eric Brock, Director of Maintenance, Operations, Transportation 7915 Burgundy Avenue Lamont, California 93241

or by email to: ebrock@lesd.us

Public Hearing Date and Time: The Lamont School District will hold a public hearing to receive comments on the ISMND on Tuesday November 15, 2022 at 5:30pm, or as soon thereafter as practicable, at the Lamont School District Board Room, 7915 Burgundy Avenue, Lamont, CA 93241.