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SCH #: 2022120060

Project Title: El Capitan High School Stadium

Lead Agency: Merced Union High School District

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Project Location: Merced (*City*) Merced (*County*)

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

The project is proposed to be constructed on the western portion of the existing El Capitan High School campus, located on the west side of G Street between Farmland and Bellevue Road in the City of Merced, California. The project site is currently occupied by existing campus athletic facilities (a football field and running track). The project includes construction and operation of a 3,000-seat athletic stadium which would serve El Capitan High School's athletic programs. Facilities planned as part of the project include bleacher seating, a natural turf competition field, a rubberized running track, a scoreboard, PA system, lights, concessions, and restrooms. The stadium lighting would consist of state-of-the-art LED light fixtures mounted on four 90-foot-tall poles. The lighting would be designed and oriented to light the field and project areas adjacent to the field that need to be lighted with little or no light trespass on non-project areas. Additionally, the project includes landscaping features and new concrete-paved areas within the campus

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

Biological Resources: Potential impacts to nesting birds. Mitigation: Preconstruction surveys, and if nesting birds are found, implement measures such as zones around nest locations or shifting construction work temporally or spatially away from the nesting birds.

Cultural Resources: Mitigate for potential subsurface resources, if encountered.

Geology and Soils: Mitigate for unanticipated paleontological resources, if encountered.

Hydrology and Water Quality: Require all chemicals and other hazardous products exceeding 20 gallons to be stored inside inundation protected buildings to avoid release of hazardous materials during a flood event.

Noise: Reduce construction noise levels (limiting construction hours, requiring mufflers and shrouds, and limitations on equipment idling).

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

No areas of controversy regarding the project are known to the District at this time.

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

California Department of Education and the California Division of the State Architect – approval of stadium construction plans.

City of Merced – approval of any necessary off-site improvements, such as for water supply and wastewater collection.

Merced County Department of Health – approval of plans for food preparation and service facilities.

San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District – approval of Rule 9510 Indirect Source Review application.

State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) – approval of the SWPPP under the statewide NPDES Construction General Permit and approval of the SWPPP under the statewide NPDES Industrial General Permit.

Trustee Agency: California Department of Fish & Wildlife