

Appendix F

Paleontological Resources

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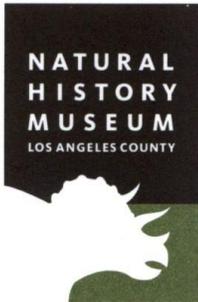
re: Paleontological resources for the Morningside High School Site Upgrade Project (D202100446.01)

Dear Fatima:

I have conducted a thorough search of our paleontology collection records for the locality and specimen data for proposed development at the Morningside High School Site Upgrade project area as outlined on the portion of the Los Angeles USGS topographic quadrangle map that you sent to me via e-mail on July 16, 2021. We do not have any fossil localities that lie directly within the proposed project area, but we do have fossil localities nearby from the same sedimentary deposits that occur in the proposed project area, either at the surface or at depth.

The following table shows the closest known localities in the collection of the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County.

Locality Number	Location	Formation	Taxa	Depth
LACM VP 1225	354 W 99th St., Los Angeles	Unknown formation (Pleistocene)	Mammoth (<i>Mammuthus</i>)	15-20 ft bgs
LACM VP 3266	W Athens Blvd & Menlo Ave	Unnamed formation (Pleistocene, calcareous siltstone)	Uncatalogued vertebrates	15-18 ft bgs
LACM VP 7332	Westchester, NW of intersection of West Century Blvd & Bellanca Ave	Unknown formation (Pleistocene; silty sand)	Mammoth (<i>Mammuthus</i>)	40 ft bgs
LACM VP 3789	8734 Bellanca Avenue, Westchester	Unknown (Pleistocene; pebbly gray-green to brown mud that directly overlies a gray-green fine sand)	Mammoth (<i>Mammuthus</i>)	14 ft bgs
LACM VP 4942	SE corner of Airport Blvd. & Manchester Ave, Westchester	Unknown formation (Pleistocene, massive sandy mudstone with	Mammoth (<i>Mammuthus</i>); bison (<i>Bison</i>); hare (<i>Lepus</i>)	16 ft bgs



		scattered pieces of gravel)		
LACM VP 3264	Los Angeles International Airport	Unknown formation (sands)	Elephant relative (Proboscidea)	25 ft bgs

VP, Vertebrate Paleontology; IP, Invertebrate Paleontology; bgs, below ground surface

This records search covers only the records of the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County (“NHMLA”). It is not intended as a paleontological assessment of the project area for the purposes of CEQA or NEPA. Potentially fossil-bearing units are present in the project area, either at the surface or in the subsurface. As such, NHMLA recommends that a full paleontological assessment of the project area be conducted by a paleontologist meeting Bureau of Land Management or Society of Vertebrate Paleontology standards.

Sincerely,



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enclosure: invoice