



# Hayward Area Recreation and Park District

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## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE VALLEY VIEW PARK PROJECT

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Hayward Area Recreation and Park District (HARD) has completed an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed Valley View Park Project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act.

**Project Location:** The project site is located within the unincorporated community of Castro Valley in Alameda County (County). The approximately 24-acre project site is located south of Lake Chabot Regional Park and is bound by residential uses and Sydney Way to the north, residential uses and Carlton Avenue to the east, residential uses and Stanton Avenue to the west, and residential uses and Jennifer Drive to the south.

**Proposed Project:** HARD proposes to implement the Valley View Park Master Plan, which would entail development of a new neighborhood park in the unincorporated Alameda County community of Castro Valley (proposed project). The proposed project would include construction of new park facilities and associated improvements (e.g., parking, landscaping, utilities, stormwater). Active and passive open space uses would be established around two concentric walking loops. The walking loops would be connected to the surrounding neighborhoods at two vehicular access points from Sydney Way and Carlton Avenue, and additional access points at all sides of the site for pedestrian access. Active open space uses, including a nature and imaginative play area, multi-purpose grass area, tot play area, dog run, and pump track would be clustered at the northern end of the hilltop and down a fold in the western slope. Passive open space uses would be located on the southern end of the hilltop and distributed along the lower loop.

**Findings:** The Initial Study prepared by HARD was undertaken for the purpose of deciding whether the proposed project may have a significant effect on the environment. The Initial Study finds that the proposed project would result in "less than significant with mitigation incorporated" environmental impacts related to air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, hazards and hazardous materials, and noise. Although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, implementation of feasible mitigation measures would either avoid or reduce all impacts to a less-than-significant level. On the basis of the Initial Study, HARD staff has concluded that the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment and, therefore, has prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration.



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**Public Review:** The IS/MND is available for review online at:  
<https://www.haywardrec.org/1967/Valley-View-Park-Master-Plan>

Written comments will be accepted from **April 24, 2023 through May 23, 2023**.  
Comments from all Responsible Agencies and interested parties are requested. Any person wishing to comment on the Draft IS/MND must email or mail written comments to the following:

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