# INITIAL STUDY

## **APPENDIX D: SCCIC SEARCH LETTER**

## **South Central Coastal Information Center**

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## California Historical Resources Information System

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Re: Record Search Results for the Echelon Studios Project

The South Central Coastal Information Center received your records search request for the project area referenced above, located on the Hollywood, CA USGS 7.5' quadrangle. The following summary reflects the results of the records search for the project area and a ½-mile radius. The search includes a review of all recorded archaeological and built-environment resources as well as a review of cultural resource reports on file. In addition, the California Points of Historical Interest (SPHI), the California Historical Landmarks (SHL), the California Register of Historical Resources (CAL REG), the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), the California State Built Environment Resources Directory (BERD), and the City of Los Angeles Historic-Cultural Monuments (LAHCM) listings were reviewed for the above referenced project site and a ¾-mile radius. Due to the sensitive nature of cultural resources, archaeological site locations are not released.

### **RECORDS SEARCH RESULTS SUMMARY**

| Archaeological Resources*              | Within project area: 0    |
|--|---------------------------|
| (*see Recommendations section)         | Within project radius: 0  |
| <b>Built-Environment Resources</b>     | Within project area: 0    |
|  | Within project radius: 22 |
| Reports and Studies                    | Within project area: 1    |
|  | Within project radius: 24 |
| <b>OHP Built Environment Resources</b> | Within project area: 3    |
| Directory (BERD) 2019                  | Within ¼-mile radius: 233 |
| California Points of Historical        | Within project area: 0    |
| Interest (SPHI) 2019                   | Within ¼-mile radius: 0   |
| California Historical Landmarks        | Within project area: 0    |
| (SHL) 2019                             | Within ¼-mile radius: 0   |
| California Register of Historical      | Within project area: 0    |
| Resources (CAL REG) 2019               | Within ¼-mile radius: 20  |
| National Register of Historic Places   | Within project area: 0    |
| (NRHP) 2019                            | Within ¼-mile radius: 17  |

| City of Los Angeles Historic- | Within project area: 0  |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Cultural Monuments (LAHCM)    | Within ¼-mile radius: 0 |

HISTORIC MAP REVIEW – Santa Monica, CA (1902, 1921) 15' USGS historic maps indicate that in 1902 there was no visible development within the project area. The Hollywood and Cahuenga Valley R. R. ran east of the project area. There were several roads, several buildings, and one intermittent stream within the project search radius. In 1921, there were several buildings within the project area. There was a significant increase in development which included several buildings and a grid-like system of roads. Also of note was an unnamed cemetery located in the southwestern portion of the search radius. The previously mentioned railroad and stream no longer appear on the map. Historic Route 66 is recorded on Santa Monica Blvd adjacent to the project location.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

\*When we report that no archaeological resources are recorded in your project area or within a specified radius around the project area; that does not necessarily mean that nothing is there. It may simply mean that the area has not been studied and/or that no information regarding the archaeological sensitivity of the property has been filed at this office. The reported records search result does not preclude the possibility that surface or buried artifacts might be found during a survey of the property or ground-disturbing activities.

The project area appears to be located within a historic district (19-169088) with a recorded evaluation code of 5D2 (Historically significant by local government). An updated recordation of this district may be in order if significant changes to the contributors to this district are being considered. No surveys for cultural resources have been conducted for the project site. The area may be sensitive since it appears to have been developed in the 1920s. An archaeological monitor is recommended for ground-disturbing activities.

For your convenience, you may find a professional consultant\*\*at <a href="www.chrisinfo.org">www.chrisinfo.org</a>. Any resulting reports by the qualified consultant should be submitted to the South Central Coastal Information Center as soon as possible.

\*\*The SCCIC does not endorse any particular consultant and makes no claims about the qualifications of any person listed. Each consultant on this list self-reports that they meet current professional standards.

If you have any questions regarding the results presented herein, please contact the office at 657.278.5395 Monday through Thursday 9:00 am to 3:30 pm. Should you require any additional information for the above referenced project, reference the SCCIC number listed above when making inquiries. Requests made after initial invoicing will result in the preparation of a separate invoice.

Thank you for using the California Historical Resources Information System,

Isabela Kott Assistant Coordinator, GIS Program Specialist Due to processing delays and other factors, not all of the historical resource reports and resource records that have been submitted to the Office of Historic Preservation are available via this records search. Additional information may be available through the federal, state, and local agencies that produced or paid for historical resource management work in the search area. Additionally, Native American tribes have historical resource information not in the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) Inventory, and you should contact the California Native American Heritage Commission for information on local/regional tribal contacts.

The California Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) contracts with the California Historical Resources Information System's (CHRIS) regional Information Centers (ICs) to maintain information in the CHRIS inventory and make it available to local, state, and federal agencies, cultural resource professionals, Native American tribes, researchers, and the public. Recommendations made by IC coordinators or their staff regarding the interpretation and application of this information are advisory only. Such recommendations do not necessarily represent the evaluation or opinion of the State Historic Preservation Officer in carrying out the OHP's regulatory authority under federal and state law.