

LONG BEACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
Notice of Completion and Availability
To: Agencies, Organization and Interested Parties

Subject: Notice of Completion of a Subsequent Environmental Impact Report in compliance with Title 14, Section 15162 of the California Code Regulations.

The Long Beach Community College District (LBCCD) is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in the preparation of the Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) for the project identified below. The Lead Agency has prepared this Notice of Availability (NOA) for the SEIR in order to provide the widest exposure and opportunity for input from public agencies, stakeholders, organizations, and individuals on the scope of the environmental analysis addressing the potential effects of the Proposed Project.

Project Title: Long Beach Community College District Stadium & Athletic Sports Complex Project

Agencies: LBCCD requests your agency's views on the scope and content of the environmental information relevant to your agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with the Proposed Project, in accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15082(b).

Organizations And Interested Parties: LBCCD requests your comments and concerns regarding the environmental issues associated with construction and operation of the Proposed Project.

Location and Site Description: The Proposed Project site is approximately 1 mile northeast of the Long Beach Municipal Airport, 1 mile north of Interstate 405 (San Diego Freeway), 3.2 miles northeast of Interstate 405 (San Diego Freeway), and 4 miles east of Interstate 710 (Long Beach Freeway). Existing land uses surrounding the Project site are the existing LAC campus buildings to the north, a Mercedes Benz storage and warehouse facility to the west; LBCCD athletic facilities to the east; and warehouse/industrial facilities and the Skylinks Golf Course to the south. The LBCC LAC campus is bounded by Harvey Way on the north, Clark Avenue on the east, Skylinks Golf Course on the south, and Faculty Avenue on the west. The Veterans Stadium is located south of the LAC campus between Clark Avenue and Faculty Avenue to the west of the ball fields.

Project Description: The Proposed Project involves construction of a new state-of-the-art SASC on an approximately 18-acre site to better accommodate instructional needs as well as intercollegiate athletics. The improvements are intended to create and improve building space to support the LBCCD Strategic Plan and Student Learning Outcomes. A new facility is also necessary due to age deterioration of the fields and facilities.

LBCCD is proposing the construction of a new state-of-the-art Stadium & Athletic Sports Complex (SASC). Construction of a new state-of-the-art SASC on an approximately 18-acre site. The SASC would include approximately 180,000 sq. ft. of new construction, covering a portion of Parking Lot M, west of the Veterans Memorial Stadium. The parking lot currently has 3,250 parking spaces, which will be reduced to 2,054 parking spaces. The existing Veterans Stadium will be demolished as part of the Proposed Project.

The uses of Buildings Q, R, and S (Veterans Stadium) will all be contained within the SASC Project.

Existing operations of Buildings Q, R, and S of the Liberal Arts Campus (LAC) campus are listed below.

- Building Q: Kinesiology (Physical Education), Small Gym, Women's Locker Room
- Building R: Fitness Center, Main Gym, Hall of Champions, Men's Locker Room, Team Rooms, Physical Education
- Building S: Adaptive Physical Education, Veterans Stadium

The SASC Project will be used by campus students and staff, and the current events are expected to continue at the new facility. The proposed capacity of the Stadium portion of the SASC will be approximately 10,000 seats, while the proposed Arena will be approximately 2,500 seats.

The SASC facilities will include the following:

- Football/soccer field
- Track and field
- Stadium restrooms
- Stadium concessions
- Scoreboard
- Athletic training facility
- Hydrotherapy/rehab center
- Basketball/volleyball
- Competition gym/practice courts
- Sports medicine/training facility
- Kinesiology classrooms and center
- General District offices
- Student athlete success center
- Feature entry
- Classrooms
- Hall of Champions

Potential Environmental Impacts: LBCCD has prepared an Initial Study that describes the potential environmental effects of the proposed project. Based on the conclusions of the Initial Study, it has been determined that a Subsequent EIR (SEIR) is the appropriate level of environmental documentation. The Environmental Impact Report will include the provision of alternatives.

Public Review and Comment Period: The LBCCD has determined to make this NOA and SEIR available for public review and comment pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15082(b). *The LBCCD will accept written comments for the Draft EIR between February 19th, 2025, and April 5th 2025.*

Responses and Comments: Please indicate a contact person for your agency or organization and send your comments to:

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Your comments may also be sent by email to jeffconnell@lbcc.edu (please include the name of the project in the subheading).

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The SIER is available for public review on the LBCCD website: <https://www.lbcc.edu/pod/facilities-master-plans>