

## MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

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**Project Title:** Bear Valley Unified School District Education Foundation Youth Sports Complex Project

**State Clearinghouse Number:** Not yet assigned

**Project Location:** The project is located at the following address: 44500 Baldwin Lane, Sugarloaf CA 92314. The approximate GPS coordinates of the project site are 34.252463°, -116.829239°. The project is located within the USGS Topo 7.5-minute map for Big Bear City, CA, and the site is located in Section 13, Township 2 North and Range 1 East.

**Project Description:** The proposed project would construct a three field multi -use sports complex within a 13.53-acre site. The Youth Sports Complex would include fields that would accommodate baseball, softball, and soccer. The Youth Sports Complex would be installed east of Baldwin Lane Elementary School in the unincorporated community of Sugarloaf within San Bernardino County. Access to the Youth Sports Complex would be through an existing driveway along Baldwin Lane at the western boundary of the site. Access would be improved to include a 40' in length access road leading to a new parking area that would be adjacent to the southernmost field. The proposed project would include three backstops with associated fencing, portable toilets and 2 storage containers for equipment. The three fields will comprise approximately 250,000 SF of natural turf area. The fields will not contain nighttime lighting, as the fields will not be for utilization outside of daylight hours.

The proposed project is expected to begin construction for the sports complex in June of 2025. It is estimated that construction of the Youth Sports Complex Project will be completed by approximately October 2027. The Youth Sports Complex is intended for use by local organized youth sports leagues for games and practice.

**Finding:** The BVUSD's decision to implement this proposed project is a discretionary decision or "project" that requires evaluation under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Based on the information in the project Initial Study, the BVUSD has made a *preliminary* determination that a Mitigated Negative Declaration will be the appropriate environmental determination for this project to comply with CEQA.

**Initial Study:** Copies of the Initial Study can be obtained at the District's office at 42271 Moonridge Road, Big Bear Lake, CA 92315. The Initial Study can also be found at the District's Website: [www.bearvalleyusd.org](http://www.bearvalleyusd.org). The public review period for the Initial Study begins on October 17, 2024 and ends on November 18, 2024.

**Mitigation Measures:** All mitigation measures identified in the Initial Study are summarized on pages 90-93 and are proposed for adoption as conditions of the project. These measures will be implemented through a mitigation monitoring and reporting program if the Mitigated Negative Declaration is adopted.

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