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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Project: Calistoga Junior and Senior High School Field and Lighting Improvements Project
Lead Agency: Calistoga Joint Union School District
Applicant: Calistoga Joint Union School District
Review Period: February 5, 2025 to March 6, 2025 (30 days)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Calistoga Joint Union School District (District) has prepared an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Calistoga Junior and Senior High School Field and Lighting Improvements Project (proposed project). Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21165 and the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines (CEQA Guidelines) Section 15050, the Calistoga Joint Union School District is the lead agency for the proposed project. The purpose of this notice is to (1) serve as a Notice of Intent (NOI) to adopt the IS/MND and (2) advise and solicit comments regarding the content of the IS/MND.

PROJECT LOCATION: Calistoga Junior and Senior High School (Calistoga HS) is located at 1608 Lake Street in the City of Calistoga in Napa County, California (Assessor's Parcel Numbers 011-091-001; 011-092-031; 011-092-032). The proposed project would be developed within approximately 4.5 acres of the southwestern portion of the approximately 13-acre campus. The City of Calistoga is bordered by unincorporated Napa County in all directions. Regional access to the campus is provided by State Route 29 (SR-29), approximately 0.40 miles east of the campus, and SR-128, approximately 0.48 miles west of the campus. The campus is surrounded by Grant Street, residential and hospitality uses to the north; Lake Street, residential and hospitality uses to the west; and residential and hospitality uses to the south and west. Access to the campus is via Lake Street, adjacent to the campus's western boundary.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The District proposes to install new permanent stadium lights around the existing football field, permanent bleachers along the northern boundary of the field, a new field house, and a new concession stand. The proposed project would also include the replacement of the existing track with an all-weather track, replacement of the existing grass turf with synthetic grass, and installation of a new permanent public address (PA) system and a new scoreboard. The existing basketball courts would also be relocated. Landscaping, bio retention areas, and concrete walkways would be installed, and new chain-link fencing with gates would be installed around the perimeter of the track and field. An asphalt driveway would be constructed northeast of the track and field to provide access to the campus via Grant Street. Asphalt would also be installed northeast and south of the track and field to accommodate the bleachers, concession stand, field house, basketball courts, and tree wells. The proposed project would not impact student or staff capacity at Calistoga HS.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: February 5, 2025 to March 6, 2025

RESPONSES AND COMMENTS: Responsible public agencies, trustee agencies, the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation, the Napa County Clerk, organizations, and members of the public are invited to review and comment on the IS/MND. Your complete and detailed response should be sent at the earliest possible date, but not later than 5:00 pm on **March 6, 2025**. Please include the name, phone number, and email address of a contact person in all responses submitted. There will be no consideration of or responses to untimely comments.

Please send your response to the IS/MND in writing, with the subject heading **Calistoga Junior and Senior High School Field and Lighting Improvements Project**, to:

Mail: Chris Ochs, Director of Facilities, Maintenance, Operations, and Transportation
Calistoga Joint Unified School District
Facilities Department
1520 Lake Street
Calistoga, CA 94515

Email: cochs@calistogajusd.org

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: An IS was prepared for the proposed project and concluded that there will be less than significant impacts on the environment with the incorporation of mitigation measures; an MND has therefore been prepared. Possible impacts on Air Quality, Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, Noise, and Tribal Cultural Resources were identified in the IS and will be mitigated to a less than significant level.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The IS/MND and NOI for the proposed project are available for public review at the following locations (physical locations during normal business hours):

- **Calistoga Joint Unified School District**, 1520 Lake Street, Calistoga, CA 94515
- **Calistoga Junior and Senior High School**, 1608 Lake Street, Calistoga, CA 94515
- **District website:** <https://www.calistogaschools.org/page/ceqa>

If you require additional information, please contact Chris Ochs at (707)942-4703.