

NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A SUPPLEMENTAL EIR AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Clovis Unified School District (CUSD) is preparing a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) for the Terry Bradley Education Center (TBEC) Additional Infrastructure Project (herein referred to as the “project”). The Fourth Educational Center Final Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse #2005101054, FEC EIR) was certified by the Clovis Unified School District (CUSD) in August 2008 (2008 Final EIR). This SEIR is being prepared to address the addition of new infrastructure facilities to support the TBEC. The public and other interested parties are invited to attend a public scoping meeting on February 15, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. during the regularly scheduled CUSD Board meeting to comment on environmental issues that should be addressed in the Draft SEIR.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (14 Calif. Code of Regs., §15000 et seq.), this notice contains a brief description of the project and its location, the anticipated environmental effects of the project, the period during which scoping comments will be received, the time and location of the public scoping meeting, and details on the availability of an Initial Study prepared for the project.

Project Title: Terry Bradley Education Center Additional Infrastructure Project

Project Location: The project site encompasses approximately 15 acres situated east of North Highland Avenue and north of East Clinton Avenue in the County of Fresno, approximately 1.5 miles from the City limit of Fresno. The project site is immediately east and adjacent to the 160-acre TBEC site. The project site is flat and denoted by Assessor Parcel Number 309-200-47. Regional access to the project site would be provided by State Route 180 and local access would be provided by North Highland Avenue and East Clinton Avenue.

Figure 1 shows the location of the project site.

Project Background: The TBEC is a CUSD site that was designed to provide the student capacity necessary to accommodate population growth in the district, as projected in 2008. The TBEC includes a high school, intermediate school, and elementary school, along with recreational areas and supporting facilities consistent with other educational center sites. The project site is within the City of Fresno’s Southeast Development Area (SEDA) as identified in the City of Fresno General Plan adopted on December 18, 2014. As the TBEC is located within SEDA, CUSD reasonably anticipated that City of Fresno municipal water and sewer services would be provided to the site as reflected in the FEC EIR certified by CUSD’s Board of Directors on August 28, 2008, along with project approval of the TBEC.

Because development of SEDA was put on hold by the City of Fresno, the municipal facilities for water and sewer have not been developed to allow the TBEC to utilize. CUSD has assessed and determined that extending City water and sewer facilities from their current end point to the project site would be cost prohibitive. This project would provide the water and sewer facilities needed for the TBEC’s operation for the TBEC to become operational in 2025. The TBEC would connect to City services once extended to the TBEC.

Brief Project Description: The project would be located on an approximately 15-acre site immediately adjacent to the planned TBEC campus. The project would consist of construction and operation of sewer, water, and solar facilities, including a wastewater treatment package plant (a pre-manufactured facility), an on-site groundwater well and wellhead treatment system, an on-site storage tank for potable water, and solar panel installation.

Initial Study: An Initial Study has been prepared for the project and is available for public review at: <https://www.cusd.com/EnvironmentalReports.aspx>. It compares impacts to those identified in the FEC EIR and has identified the need to prepare a Supplemental EIR and this impact areas that require further analysis in the SEIR. If a hard copy review is required, please contact Denver Stairs at the email address provided below.

Based on the conclusions of the Initial Study, the following areas of potentially significant environmental impact are anticipated to require analysis in the Draft SEIR:

- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Energy
- Greenhouse Gases
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Noise
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Utilities and Service Systems

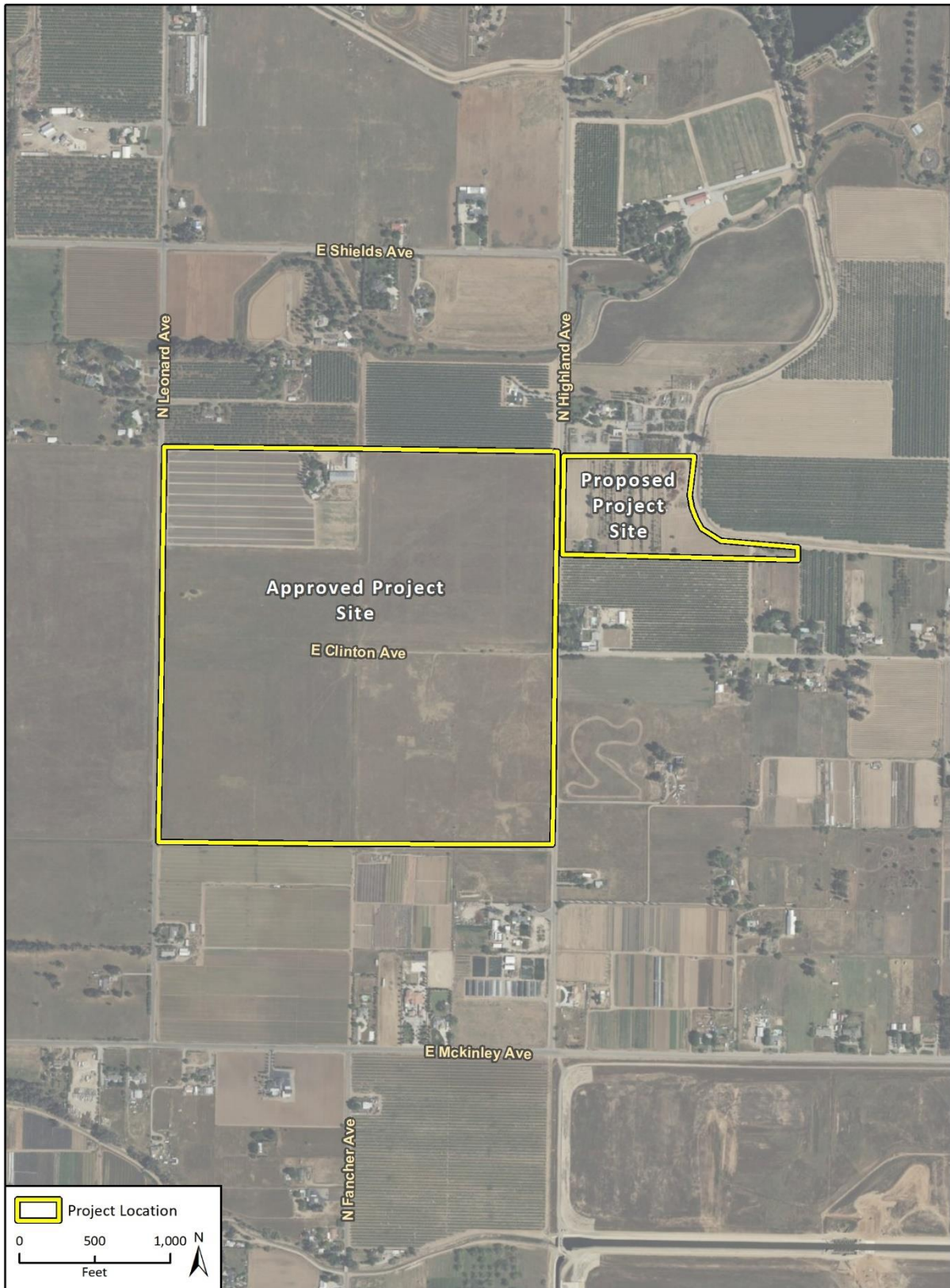
The EIR will also analyze alternatives, cumulative impacts, growth-inducing impacts, and other issues required by CEQA.

Public Scoping Meeting: The purpose of the scoping meeting is to present the project in a public setting and provide an opportunity for a full airing of the environmental issues that are important to the community. The meeting will include a presentation of the proposed project and a description of the environmental issues to be analyzed in the Draft SEIR. Oral and written comments made during the scoping meeting and scoping period will provide an inventory of potential environmental effects of the project to be addressed by the Draft SEIR. The scoping meeting will be held on February 15, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at the CUSD Boardroom located at 1680 David E. Cook Way in Clovis.

30-Day Scoping Comment Period: This NOP is available for a 32-day public comment period from **February 2, 2023**, to **March 6, 2023**. Written comments must be submitted in writing no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 6, 2023.

Contact Person: Written comments may be submitted to Denver Stairs, Assistant Superintendent, via email: DenverStairs@clovisusd.k12.ca.us or mail to 1450 Herndon Avenue, Clovis CA 93611.

Figure 1 Project Location



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