

**San Bernardino Community College District (SBCCD)
NOTICE OF DETERMINATION (NOD)**

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San Bernardino Community College District

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number: 2009041098

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Project Title: San Bernardino Valley College Master Plan Update

Project Applicant: San Bernardino Community College District

Project Location: San Bernardino Valley College (SBVC) is located at 701 South Mount Vernon Avenue in the City of San Bernardino, with a small portion located in the City of Colton. The campus is generally bounded by Esperanza Street to the north, K Street to the east, Grant Avenue to the south, and Mount Vernon Avenue to the west. A small portion of the campus is located south of Grant Avenue.

Project Description: The San Bernardino Community College District (SBCCD) Board of Trustees certified a Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the San Bernardino Valley College (SBVC) Master Plan in April 2010 (State Clearinghouse No. 2009041098). The SBVC Master Plan was prepared as a result of Measure M, a \$500 million bond measure that was passed in February 2008. This bond measure allowed SBCCD to complete a campus Master Plan at SBVC and to provide funding for the design and construction of new facilities to implement the Master Plan. The Master Plan included various academic buildings, infrastructure improvements, and associated parking required to meet the planning challenges related to the on-campus fault and folding zone and to support an estimated future enrollment of 17,000 total students by 2030. When the EIR was certified, a Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted for significant, unavoidable adverse effects to historical resources, noise, and traffic in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15093. Specifically, the SBCCD Board of Trustees found that the benefits of the expansion of SBVC had sufficient benefit to override the unavoidable significant adverse impacts.

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After approval of the SBVC Master Plan and PEIR, a new stadium design was proposed that included an increase from 2,250 seats proposed in the 2010 Master Plan to 4,000 seats. After review, it was determined that this new stadium design could result in new or more severe impacts that were not discussed in the certified PEIR. A Supplemental EIR (SEIR) was prepared for the stadium expansion, which included updated studies for traffic and air quality/greenhouse gases. The SEIR was certified by the SBCCD Board of Trustees on July 11, 2013.

In 2017, the SBCCD prepared an update to the Master Plan, which plans for campus growth through the buildout year of 2031 (Proposed Project). In 2018, San Bernardino County voters passed Measure CC, a \$470 million bond measure to provide funding for improvement projects at SBCCD facilities, including the projects in the 2017 Master Plan. This EIR Addendum provides environmental analysis of the 2017 Master Plan. The 2017 SBVC Master Plan would involve the construction, demolition, and renovation of campus facilities including new instructional and warehouse buildings, a parking structure, and softball field. Based on enrollment trends and academic needs identified in the 2017 Master Plan, total building area and parking demand are expected to decrease. All construction, demolition, and renovations would be located within the existing SBVC campus. No expansion of the campus area is proposed.

Determination: The SBCCD Board of Trustees certified a Final Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the SBVC Master Plan and approved that project on April 8, 2010. A NOD for the SBVC Master Plan PEIR was filed on April 15, 2010 (see Attachment). The SBCCD Board of Trustees made the following determination regarding to the SBVC Master Plan Project:

1. The project will have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation Measures were made a conditions of the approval of this project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted for this project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

Based on the analysis prepared for the Proposed Project an Addendum EIR was prepared, and no subsequent or supplemental EIR is required for approval of the Proposed Project.

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15164(b), an addendum to a previously certified EIR is appropriate if only minor changes or additions are necessary or none of the conditions described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 calling for preparation of subsequent CEQA document have occurred. These criteria are listed, below, along with a brief discussion regarding the reasons the Proposed Project does not meet the criteria in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162.

- ***No substantial changes have been proposed to the project which will require major revisions of the previous EIR "due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects" (State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15162(a)(1)).*** Impacts would be less than or comparable to those evaluated in the certified PEIR and SEIR. Therefore, there would be no new significant effects or an increase in severity of a previously identified significant effect.

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Note that the substantial, unavoidable adverse effects to historical resources, noise, and traffic would be the same or, in the case of traffic, less than those evaluated in the PEIR and SEIR. The Statement of Overriding Considerations adopted in April 2010 for these impacts remains in effect and no changes are required.

- **No substantial changes have occurred "with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken which will require major revisions of the previous EIR...due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects" (Section 15162(a)(2)).** The impacts of the Proposed Project were evaluated against current regulations. No significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously-identified significant effect has been identified. Therefore, no substantial changes have occurred that would require major revisions to the certified PEIR or SEIR.
- **No new information of substantial importance that was previously unknown or could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the previous EIR was certified as complete shows any of the following:**
 - **"The project will have one or more significant effects not discussed in the previous EIR" (Section 15162(a)(3)(A)).** No new information has come to light that would suggest that the Proposed Project would have previously undisclosed significant effects on the environment. A CEQA analyses was conducted for the Proposed Project, resulting in no new or more significant effects.
 - **"Significant effects previously examined will be substantially more severe than shown in the previous EIR" (Section 15162(a)(3)(B)).** The Proposed Project would not have substantially more severe impacts than were disclosed in the certified PEIR or SEIR.
 - **"Mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative" (Section 15162(a)(3)(C)).** The SBCCD has agreed to all mitigation measures required by the certified PEIR and SEIR.
 - **"Mitigation measures or alternatives which are considerably different from those analyzed in the previous EIR would substantially reduce one or more significant effect on the environment, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative" (Section 15162(a)(3)(D)).** The SBCCD has agreed to all mitigation measures required by the certified PEIR and SEIR. The Proposed Project is a smaller buildout profile than the 2010 Master Plan, resulting in similar or fewer environmental effects.

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This is to certify that the PEIR, SEIR, and Addendum EIR and record of project approval, is available to the General Public at:

San Bernardino Community College District, 550 E. Hospitality Lane, Suite 200, San Bernardino, CA 92408

Signature: _____



Jose Torres, Executive Vice Chancellor

Date: DEC 13 2019

Per California Code of Regulation 14, § 753.5 (e)(3), this Notice of Determination filing is not subject to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) environmental document fee. 14 CCR § 753.5 (e)(3) stipulates that only one fee is required when an existing certified EIR is used for multiple project approvals that would result in no additional effect to fish and wildlife. This Notice of Determination for the project approval described herein does not require CDFW fee because the approval relied upon the SBVS Master Plan PEIR (State Clearinghouse No. 2009041098). The NOD for the SBVC Master Plan PEIR was filed on April 15, 2010, and the California Fish and Wildlife environmental document fees were paid at those times. See attached stamped Notice of Determination and receipt of fees paid.

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