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## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

**Date:** April 8, 2019

**To:** Reviewing Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

**From:** Mt. San Antonio College, Facilities Planning and Management  
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**Project Title:** Long-Range Development Plan Mt. San Antonio College 2018 Educational and Facilities Master Plan

**SCH No.:** 2018091004

### Project Location:

The Mt. San Antonio College (Mt. SAC) campus is located in the City of Walnut, in Los Angeles County. The campus encompasses 418.44 acres (comprised of 3 parcels) and is located north and south of Temple Avenue east of Grand Avenue, with the “West Parcel” located west of Grand Avenue and south of Amar Road/Temple Avenue. Mountaineer Road and Edinger Way form the northern boundary of the campus and the eastern boundary is consistent with the City of Walnut’s eastern boundary. The California State Polytechnic University (Cal Poly) Pomona is located immediately east of the campus. The Mt. SAC campus is approximately 1.8 miles west of State Route (SR)-57, 1.0 mile south of Interstate (I)-10, and 0.9 mile north of SR-60.

The campus is not on a list of sites enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code.

### Project Description:

The proposed Project involves facilities and site and infrastructure improvements anticipated to occur with implementation of the proposed 2018 EFMP 10-year horizon period (Phases 1A, 1B, and 2). The proposed Project components include Buildings/Facilities, Vehicular Circulation and Parking, Bicycle and Pedestrian Circulation, Open Space, Public Art, Wayfinding/Signage, Lighting, Natural Habitat and Urban Forest, Sustainable Practices/Energy, Utility Infrastructure, and Construction Activities.

The proposed 2018 EFMP identifies the framework for the uses and development of land on campus necessary to accommodate an identified level of enrollment and physical development. However, enrollment decisions and the actual implementation of specific capital projects are influenced by multiple factors, including funding decisions, demographics, and other factors external to the proposed 2018 EFMP process. Thus, while the proposed 2018 EFMP identifies the physical resources necessary to meet Mt. SAC’s mission and its long-range development plans, it makes no commitments regarding the timing for achieving identified enrollment projections or implementing physical development. The proposed Mt. SAC Land Use Plan anticipates future development in eight zones on campus: Primary

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Educational Zone, Athletics and Support Zone, Agricultural Zone, Wildlife Sanctuary/Open Space Zone, Land Management and Athletics Zone, Agricultural/Sustainable Development Zone, Land Management Zone, Agricultural Retail Zone.

With implementation of the proposed 2018 EFMP, aged and/or temporary facilities would be removed/demolished; new buildings would be constructed; up to four parking structures would be constructed; and several buildings would be renovated. The proposed 2018 EFMP also identifies vehicular circulation, parking, and non-vehicular circulation improvements for the campus. In addition to the demolition and renovation of existing buildings, construction of new buildings, and parking and circulation components, implementation of the proposed 2018 EFMP would include athletic facilities, enhanced open space areas and public art, implementation of an Urban Forest Initiative, infrastructure improvements, and utility infrastructure and roadway improvements at the Farm Precinct. Certain projects in Phases 1A and 1B are being evaluated at a "project- specific level" including development of the Student Center and Central Campus Infrastructure, Parking Structure R and Tennis Courts, Parking Structure S and West Temple Avenue Pedestrian Bridge, the Sand Volleyball Courts and Parking Lot W Reconstruction (Phase 1A); and Bookstore (Phase 1B). Impacts resulting from construction and operation of the proposed 2018 EFMP as a long-range planning and development plan are being evaluated at a "program level" (Phases 1A, 1B and 2), including components that were included in previous Facilities Master Plans but not yet implemented.

**Significant Effects:**

The Draft EIR has identified that implementation of the proposed 2018 EFMP would result in less than significant impacts for the following topical issues: energy, hazards and hazardous materials and wildfire, land use and planning, population and housing, public services and recreation, and utilities and service systems. The proposed Project would result in potentially significant impacts prior to implementation of project-specific mitigation measures (MMs) for the following topical issues: aesthetics, air quality, biological resources, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hydrology and water quality, noise, and tribal cultural resources. Implementation of the identified project-specific mitigation measures would reduce potentially significant impacts to a less than significant level. The proposed 2018 EFMP would result in significant and unavoidable impacts even with implementation of project-specific mitigation measures (MMs) for the following topical issues: cultural resources and transportation/traffic.

**Draft EIR Availability:**

The Draft EIR, including technical appendices, is available for review online at <http://www.mtsac.edu/construction/reports-and-publications/environmental-impact-reports.html> and at each of the following locations:

Mt. San Antonio College  
Library/Learning Technology Center  
1100 N. Grand Avenue, 2nd floor  
Walnut, CA 91789

Walnut Public Library  
21155 La Puente Road  
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Pomona Public Library  
625 South Garey Avenue  
Pomona, CA 91769

**Public Comment Period:**

The public review period for the Draft EIR is from **April 8, 2019 through May 22, 2019**. Due to the time limits mandated by State law, comments must be sent at the earliest possible date, but not later than 5:00 PM on May 22, 2019. Please submit any comments in writing no later than to Mt. SAC:

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Please include the name of a contact person at your agency in any submitted comments. Notices advertising public hearing dates will be provided separately.

**Public Hearing:**

A public hearing is scheduled at Mt. San Antonio College for Wednesday, June 5, 2019 at 6:00 PM in Founders Hall, 1100 North Grand Avenue, Walnut, CA.

If you have any questions about the environmental review for the proposed 2018 EFMP, please contact Mikaela (Mika) Klein at (909) 274-5720.