



CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL  
601 N. Seventh Street  
Sacramento, CA 95811

February 21, 2020

Subject: Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Report  
Regarding the Proposed Santa Fe Springs Area Office Replacement Project (SCH #2019030003)

To: Interested Parties

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the California Highway Patrol (CHP), with assistance from the Department of General Services – Real Estate Services Division (DGS), is the lead agency for preparation of a draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for construction and operation of the CHP Santa Fe Springs Area Office Replacement Project (Proposed Project). This DEIR was prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970 (as amended) and the State CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations [CCR] title 14, section (§) 15000 et seq.). CHP hereby invites comments on the adequacy and completeness of the environmental analyses in the DEIR.
2. Project Title: California Highway Patrol Santa Fe Springs Area Office Replacement Project
3. Property Owner(s): State of California
4. Contact person: Chuck King; Assistant Chief; santa-fe-springs-comments@chp-ceqa.com
5. Project location: 6-acre parcel that will be sectioned off from the existing 165-acre campus of the Department of State Hospitals – Metropolitan Area at 11401 Bloomfield Avenue in the City of Norwalk in Los Angeles County. This location is situated approximately 0.7 mile north of Imperial Highway, 1.3 miles east of Interstate 5, and 2 miles east of Interstate 605.  
  
Project APNs: Work and staging area APN: 8025-003-902
6. General Plan designation: Institutional
7. Zoning: Institutional
8. Brief Description of the Project: CHP law enforcement services are currently provided to southeastern Los Angeles County through the CHP Santa Fe Springs Area Office located at 10051 Orr and Day Road in Santa Fe Springs, California. The CHP Santa Fe Springs Area Office Replacement Project (Proposed Project) is part of a statewide effort to replace aging or inadequate CHP field offices and other facilities. The purpose of the Proposed Project is to relocate the Santa Fe Springs Area Office and replace it with new facilities that will provide adequate workspace, vehicle, and equipment storage for an increasing number of employees assigned to this office (146 combined current employees, increasing to 159 employees over 10 years). The Proposed Project would consist of construction and operation of

buildings and other structures, a 120-foot tall radio antenna tower, secured and visitor parking areas, equipment enclosures and storage areas, a fuel island with gas tanks, an emergency generator, utility improvements, and other ancillary improvements.

9. Environmental Review: The DEIR evaluates the potential environmental impacts of the Proposed Project and four project alternatives: the No Project Alternative (CHP would not construct a new Santa Fe Springs Area Office or its accompanying facilities, and would continue to provide essential services to the southeastern Los Angeles County Area from CHP's existing facility); the Telegraph Road Site Alternative (a new CHP Santa Fe Springs Area Office and its accompanying facilities would be located on a 3-acre parcel at the northeast corner of Telegraph Road and Greenleaf Avenue, approximately 1.4 miles northeast of the Proposed Project site); the Florence Avenue Site Alternative (a new CHP Santa Fe Springs Area Office and its accompanying facilities would be located on a 6-acre parcel at the southeast corner of Studebaker Road and Florence Avenue, approximately 2.6 miles northwest of the Proposed Project site); and the Reduced Hospital Site (similar to the Proposed Project, this Alternative would be located on the Department of State Hospitals-Metropolitan campus, but the area would be reduced to approximately 4.25 acres). Eleven CEQA resources topics have been eliminated from further analysis in the EIR based on the nature and scope of the Project activities. A brief summary and description of each of these resource topics are provided in Chapter 3 *Introduction to the Environmental Analysis*. A full analysis of these resource topics are provided in the Initial Study.
10. Hazardous Materials: The project site is not located on the lists enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the Government Code, including, but not limited to lists of hazardous waste facilities.
11. Document Availability: The DEIR and supporting documents are available for download from the CHP website: [www.chp-ceqa.com/santa-fe-springs/](http://www.chp-ceqa.com/santa-fe-springs/).

Printed copies of the DEIR are available to review during regular business hours at the locations listed below. They will also be available at the public meeting in Santa Fe Springs (details below). Printed copies are also available at cost plus postage, upon request by e-mailing [santa-fe-springs-comments@chp-ceqa.com](mailto:santa-fe-springs-comments@chp-ceqa.com).

12. Public Review Period: The DEIR is available for a 45-day public review and comment period, which begins on February 21, 2020 and ends at 5 p.m. on April 6, 2020. Please send comments on the DEIR at the earliest possible date, but postmarked no later than 5 p.m. on April 6, 2020 in order for your comments to be considered.

Comments may be mailed to the following address:

California Department of General Services – Real Estate Services Division  
ATTN: Jennifer Parson, CHP – Santa Fe Springs Draft EIR Comments  
707 Third Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, MS 509  
West Sacramento, CA 95605

Written comments may also be submitted by email to: [santa-fe-springs-comments@chp-ceqa.com](mailto:santa-fe-springs-comments@chp-ceqa.com). Emailed comments are preferred, and should include your name, address, and daytime telephone number so a representative of CHP can contact you if clarifications regarding your comments are required.

All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the official public record. A Final Environmental Impact Report will be prepared which will include responses to comments received during the public review period.

13. Public Meeting: All interested persons are encouraged to attend a public meeting to present written and/or verbal comments on the DEIR. The public meeting will be held on March 17, 2020 at the following location and time:

**Location:**

Town Center Hall, Meeting Room 1  
11740 Telegraph Road  
Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

**Time:**

5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

February 21, 2020

DATE OF THIS NOTICE

BY: 

**Locations where DEIR copies can be reviewed:**

- California Highway Patrol, Sacramento Office, 601 N. Seventh Street, Sacramento, CA 95811
- California Highway Patrol, Santa Fe Springs Office, 10051 Orr and Day Road, Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670
- California Department of General Services – Real Estate Division, 707 Third Avenue, 4th Floor, MS 509, West Sacramento, CA 95605
- Norwalk Library, 12350 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, CA 90650