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Kate Gordon
Director

Notice of Preparation

May 30, 2019

To: Reviewing Agencies

Re: Almaden Office Project
SCH# 2019050020

Attached for your review and comment is the Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the Almaden Office Project draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

Responsible agencies must transmit their comments on the scope and content of the NOP, focusing on specific information related to their own statutory responsibility, within 30 days of receipt of the NOP from the Lead Agency. This is a courtesy notice provided by the State Clearinghouse with a reminder for you to comment in a timely manner. We encourage other agencies to also respond to this notice and express their concerns early in the environmental review process.

Please direct your comments to:

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San Jose, City of
200 E. Santa Clara St., 3rd Floor Tower
San Jose, CA 95113**

with a copy to the State Clearinghouse in the Office of Planning and Research at state.clearinghouse@opr.ca.gov. Please refer to the SCH number noted above in all correspondence concerning this project on our website: <https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/2019050020/2>.

If you have any questions about the environmental document review process, please call the State Clearinghouse at (916) 445-0613.

Sincerely,

Scott Morgan
Director, State Clearinghouse

cc: Lead Agency

NOF Distribution List

County: Santa Clara

SCH# 2019050020

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San Diego Region (9)

☐ **Other** _____

☐ _____
Conservancy

Last Updated 5/22/18

Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

Mail to: State Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 3044, Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 (916) 445-0613

For Hand Delivery/Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

SCH# 2019050020

Project Title: Almaden Office Project

Lead Agency: City of San Jose

Contact Person: Kara Hawkins

Mailing Address: 200 East Santa Clara Street, 3rd Floor Tower

Phone: 408-535-7852

City: San Jose

Zip: 95113

County: Santa Clara County

Project Location: County: Santa Clara County City/Nearest Community: San Jose

Cross Streets: South Almaden Boulevard and Woz Way Zip Code: 95110

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 37 ° 32.76' 91 " N / 121 ° 09.04' 70 " W Total Acres: 3.67

Assessor's Parcel No.: 264-28-019, -022, -023, -024, -025, -026 Section: NA Twp.: NA Range: NA Base: NA

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: I-280, 87, 880

Waterways: Guadalupe River, Coyote Creek, Los Gatos Creek

Airports: Norman Y. Mineta San Jose

Railways: Diridon Station

Schools: SJSU; San Jose Unified

Document Type:

CEQA: ☒ NOP ☐ Draft EIR NEPA: ☐ NOI Other: ☐ Joint Document
☐ Early Cons ☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR ☐ EA ☐ Final Document
☐ Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) ☐ Draft EIS ☐ Other:
☐ Mit Neg Dec Other:

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Local Action Type:

☐ General Plan Update ☐ Specific Plan ☐ Rezone ☐ Annexation
☐ General Plan Amendment ☐ Master Plan ☐ Prezone ☐ Redevelopment
☐ General Plan Element ☐ Planned Unit Development ☐ Use Permit ☐ Coastal Permit
☐ Community Plan ☒ Site Plan ☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) ☒ Other: Site Dev Permit

Development Type:

☐ Residential: Units _____ Acres _____
☒ Office: Sq.ft. 2.2 mil Acres _____ Employees _____
☒ Commercial: Sq.ft. 35,200 Acres _____ Employees _____
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____
☐ Educational: _____
☐ Recreational: _____
☐ Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____
☐ Transportation: Type _____
☐ Mining: Mineral _____
☐ Power: Type _____ MW _____
☐ Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
☐ Hazardous Waste: Type _____
☐ Other: _____

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

☒ Aesthetic/Visual ☐ Fiscal ☒ Recreation/Parks ☒ Vegetation
☒ Agricultural Land ☒ Flood Plain/Flooding ☒ Schools/Universities ☒ Water Quality
☒ Air Quality ☒ Forest Land/Fire Hazard ☐ Septic Systems ☒ Water Supply/Groundwater
☒ Archeological/Historical ☒ Geologic/Seismic ☒ Sewer Capacity ☒ Wetland/Riparian
☒ Biological Resources ☒ Minerals ☒ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading ☐ Growth Inducement
☐ Coastal Zone ☒ Noise ☒ Solid Waste ☒ Land Use
☐ Drainage/Absorption ☒ Population/Housing Balance ☒ Toxic/Hazardous ☒ Cumulative Effects
☐ Economic/Jobs ☒ Public Services/Facilities ☒ Traffic/Circulation ☒ Other: GHG

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

General Plan: Downtown Zoning District: DC Downtown Primary Commercial

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

Site Development Permit to allow for the demolition of on an existing parking lot and the construction of an up to 17-story, approximately 2.6 million-square foot building on a 3.67-gross acre site. As proposed, the project would include approximately 2,111,000 square feet of office space in two towers (North Tower and South Tower), 35,200 square feet of ground floor commercial space, and up to 1,815 below-grade parking spaces.

Reviewing Agencies Checklist

Lead Agencies may recommend State Clearinghouse distribution by marking agencies below with and "X".
If you have already sent your document to the agency please denote that with an "S".

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air Resources Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Office of Historic Preservation
<input type="checkbox"/> Boating & Waterways, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Office of Public School Construction
<input type="checkbox"/> California Emergency Management Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District #4	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regional WQCB #2
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Planning	<input type="checkbox"/> Resources Agency
<input type="checkbox"/> Central Valley Flood Protection Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy	<input type="checkbox"/> S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
<input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy
<input type="checkbox"/> Colorado River Board	<input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin River Conservancy
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
<input type="checkbox"/> Corrections, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> State Lands Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Delta Protection Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
<input type="checkbox"/> Education, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Quality
<input type="checkbox"/> Energy Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Rights
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish & Game Region #	<input type="checkbox"/> Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
<input type="checkbox"/> Food & Agriculture, Department of	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toxic Substances Control, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Resources, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> General Services, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Health Services, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Housing & Community Development	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Native American Heritage Commission	

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date May 31, 2019 Ending Date July 1, 2019

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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Phone: 415-772-0715

Signature of Lead Agency Representative: _____

Date: 5/28/19

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.