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SCH #: 2019060008

Project Title: Merced High School Stadium Project

Lead Agency: Merced Union High School District

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Project Location: Merced (*City*) Merced (*County*)

Project Decription (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The Merced High School Stadium Project (project) involves the construction and operation of a 3,100-seat high school football stadium on the existing Merced High School campus. Grandstands will be located on the north and south sides of the stadium, connected by concrete walkways around the perimeter of the football field to an entry gate structure located at the southeast corner of the stadium and to an existing concessions/restroom building on the east side of the stadium. The project includes the construction of walking paths connecting the stadium to existing parking on the southern portion of the high school campus. The grandstands will be completed in two phases with the first 2,000 seats on the south (home) side being completed in the initial phase, and an additional 1,100 seats on the north (visitor) side, as well as conversion from natural to artificial turf, being completed in the second phase. The project will utilize the existing lighting which has been in place since 2009. Project lighting will be upgraded to LED lighting with the second phase. The project will include a new Public Address (PA) system but will be comparable in wattage to the existing PA system. The project site has been used as an athletic field since 1986.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Merced Union High School District has incorporated into the project mitigation measures for potentially significant project impacts:

Biological Resources: Mitigate for potential special status birds and bats with pre-construction surveys, avoidance and construction buffers, as necessary.

Cultural Resources: Mitigate for potential discovery of unknown subsurface archaeological and historical resources, and human remains.

Geology and Soils: Mitigate for potential discovery of unknown subsurface paleontological resources.

Noise: Mitigate for construction and operational noise.

Transportation: Mitigate for vehicular traffic generation by modification of intersections and driveways and the creation of a Traffic Management and Parking Plan.

Tribal Cultural Resources:Mitigate for potential discovery of unknown subsurface tribal cultural resources.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

There are no areas of controversy on environmental issues known to Merced Union High School District.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

California Department of Education and California Division of the State Architect: Approve the stadium construction plans.

California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC): Compliance with any applicable requirements.

City of Merced: Review and approve the location, design, and construction of street, water, sewer, flood control improvements.

California Department of Fish and Wildlife: Review project for impacts on biological resources.