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1.1 INTRODUCTION

This draft environmental impact report (DEIR) addresses the environmental effects associated with the implementation of the proposed Wedgeworth K-8 School and Residential Development Project. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires that government agencies consider the environmental consequences before taking action on projects over which they will carry out. An environmental impact report (EIR) analyzes a project's potential environmental impacts in order to inform the public and support informed decisions by local and state governmental agency decision makers. This document focuses on impacts determined to be potentially significant in the Initial Study completed for this project (see Appendix A).

This DEIR has been prepared pursuant to the requirements of CEQA and the Hacienda La Puente Unified School District's CEQA procedures. The Hacienda La Puente Unified School District, as the lead agency, has reviewed and revised all submitted drafts, technical studies, and reports as necessary to reflect its own independent judgment, including reliance on District technical personnel and review of all technical subconsultant reports.

Data for this DEIR derive from on-site field observations, discussions with affected agencies; analysis of adopted plans and policies; review of available studies, reports, data, and similar literature; and specialized environmental assessments (air quality, cultural resources, geological resources, hazards and hazardous materials, noise, and transportation).

1.2 ENVIRONMENTAL PROCEDURES

This DEIR has been prepared pursuant to CEQA to assess the environmental effects associated with implementation of the proposed project, as well as anticipated future discretionary actions and approvals. CEQA established six main objectives for an EIR:

1. Disclose to decision makers and the public the significant environmental effects of proposed activities.
2. Identify ways to avoid or reduce significant environmental impacts.
3. Prevent significant environmental impacts by requiring implementation of feasible alternatives or mitigation measures.
4. Disclose to the public reasons for agency approval of projects with significant environmental impacts.
5. Foster interagency coordination in the review of projects.
6. Enhance public participation in the planning process.

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An EIR is the most comprehensive form of environmental documentation in CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines; it is intended to provide an objective, factually supported analysis and full disclosure of the environmental consequences of a proposed project with the potential to result in significant, adverse environmental impacts.

An EIR is one of various decision-making tools used by a lead agency to consider the merits and disadvantages of a project that is subject to its discretionary authority. Before approving a proposed project, the lead agency must consider the information in the EIR; determine whether the EIR was prepared in accordance with CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines; determine that it reflects the independent judgment of the lead agency; adopt findings concerning the project's significant environmental impacts and alternatives; and adopt a statement of overriding considerations if significant impacts cannot be avoided.

1.2.1 EIR Format

Chapter 1. Executive Summary: Summarizes the background and description of the proposed project, the format of this EIR, project alternatives, any critical issues remaining to be resolved, and the potential environmental impacts and mitigation measures identified for the project.

Chapter 2. Introduction: Describes the purpose of this EIR, background on the project, the notice of preparation, the use of incorporation by reference, and Final EIR certification.

Chapter 3. Project Description: A detailed description of the project, including its objectives, its area and location, approvals anticipated to be required as part of the project, necessary environmental clearances, and the intended uses of this EIR.

Chapter 4. Environmental Setting: A description of the physical environmental conditions in the vicinity of the project as they existed at the time the notice of preparation was published, from local and regional perspectives. These provide the baseline physical conditions from which the lead agency determines the significance of the project's environmental impacts.

Chapter 5. Environmental Analysis: Each environmental topic is analyzed in a separate section that discusses: the thresholds used to determine if a significant impact would occur; the methodology to identify and evaluate the potential impacts of the project; the existing environmental setting; the potential adverse and beneficial effects of the project; the level of impact significance before mitigation; the mitigation measures for the proposed project; the level of significance after mitigation is incorporated; and the potential cumulative impacts of the proposed project and other existing, approved, and proposed development in the area.

Chapter 6. Significant Unavoidable Adverse Impacts: Describes the significant unavoidable adverse impacts of the proposed project.

Chapter 7. Alternatives to the Proposed Project: Describes the alternatives and compares their impacts to the impacts of the proposed project. Alternatives include the no project alternative and a reduced intensity alternative.

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Chapter 8. Impacts Found Not to Be Significant: Briefly describes the potential impacts of the project that were determined not to be significant by the Initial Study and were therefore not discussed in detail in this EIR.

Chapter 9. Significant Irreversible Changes Due to the Proposed Project: Describes the significant irreversible environmental changes associated with the project.

Chapter 10. Growth-Inducing Impacts of the Project: Describes the ways in which the proposed project would cause increases in employment or population that could result in new physical or environmental impacts.

Chapter 11. Organizations and Persons Consulted: Lists the people and organizations that were contacted during the preparation of this EIR.

Chapter 12. Qualifications of Persons Preparing EIR: Lists the people who prepared this EIR for the proposed project.

Chapter 13. Bibliography: The technical reports and other sources used to prepare this EIR.

Appendices: The appendices for this document (in PDF format on a CD attached to the front cover) consist of these supporting documents:

- Appendix A: Notice of Preparation/Initial Study
- Appendix B: Comments to Notice of Preparation
- Appendix C: Air Quality/GHG Data
- Appendix D: Health Risk Assessment
- Appendix E: Cultural Resources Study
- Appendix F: Geotechnical Study
- Appendix G: Geologic and Environmental Hazards Assessment
- Appendix H: Drainage Data
- Appendix I: Noise Data
- Appendix J: Traffic Study
- Appendix K: Utilities Plan

1.2.2 Type and Purpose of This DEIR

This DEIR has been prepared as a “Project EIR,” defined by Section 15161 of the CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3). This type of EIR examines the environmental impacts of a specific development project and should focus primarily on the changes in the environment that would result from the development project. The EIR shall examine all phases of the project—including planning, construction, and operation.

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1.3 PROJECT LOCATION

Wedgeworth ES is at 16949 Wedgeworth Drive, Hacienda Heights, Los Angeles County (Assessor's Parcel Number 8209-001-901). It is bounded by the State Route (SR) 60 to the north, Wedgeworth Drive to the south, Eagle Park Road to the west, and Pepperbrook Channel to the east. Hacienda Heights is a community in unincorporated Los Angeles County. The cities of Whittier, La Habra Heights, Diamond Bar, and Industry and the unincorporated communities of Rowland Heights and North Whittier surround Hacienda Heights. Figure 3-1, *Regional Location*, illustrates the project site in regional context, and Figure 3-2, *Local Vicinity*, illustrates the project site in local context. The campus is currently accessed via an enter-only driveway on Wedgeworth Drive and a full-access driveway on Eagle Park Road. The Eagle Park Road driveway also serves the baseball fields.

1.4 PROJECT SUMMARY

The District is proposing to redevelop the existing Wedgeworth Elementary School and four baseball fields on the 20-acre site to provide a new K-8 school on 10 acres and up to a 160-residential unit development. The existing school has capacity for 600 K-5 students, and the new school would have capacity for 1,200 K-8 students, an increased enrollment capacity for 600 students.

The existing K-5 facilities are developed in the southeast corner, and the southwest corner of the project site is currently vacant; therefore, the existing K-5 school would continue to operate during construction of the new facilities. See Figure 3-3, *Aerial Photograph*. Once the new K-8 facilities are completed and the school population is relocated to the new facilities, the existing Wedgeworth ES facilities would be vacated and demolished before the potential residential development is constructed. Figure 3-4, *Conceptual Wedgeworth K-8 School and Residential Development Site Plan*, illustrates conceptual site plans for the new K-8 school and 160 residential units. As shown, the new K-8 campus would be constructed in the southwest corner of the project site, and the 160-unit development would border the K-8 school to the north and east.

Figure 3-5, *Proposed K-8 School Site Plan*, shows latest site plan for the new K-8 school. It would consist of five buildings (Buildings A through E) for classrooms, multipurpose room, and administrative space, and other school-supporting facilities such as playfields, hardcourts, kindergarten playground, central courtyard, and surface parking and drop-off areas. The school buildings would total 82,998 square feet and not exceed 30 feet in height, as shown in Figures 6a through 6e, *School Building Elevations*. Individual building square footages would be:

- Building A: 20,587 square feet
- Building B: 11,086 square feet
- Building C: 20,669 square feet
- Buildings D and E: 30,656 square feet

The school would be accessed from two driveways on Eagle Park Road for the main parking and bus drop-off, and three driveways on Wedgeworth Drive for parent drop-off and pick-up.

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The District is working with the local baseball league and other local government agencies to identify locations for the displaced baseball fields. The proposed project would be implemented in stages—the school component of the proposed project would be developed first, and the residential component may be implemented at a later date. The K-8 school and the residential development construction would not be concurrent. A conceptual site plan has been developed to evaluate environmental effects based on a conservative development scenario. As shown in Figure 3-4, at buildout, the new residential units would border the new K-8 school to the north and east and would be accessed from Eagle Park Road and Wedgeworth Drive. The residential units are envisioned as attached townhomes with two-car garages and guest parking to meet the County's parking requirements.

Project Phasing

The proposed project is scheduled to be developed in two phases. Phase 1 is anticipated to occur in two stages beginning in March 2020 and ending in July 2021. The first stage involves construction of new school facilities on the western portion of the project site, and the second stage involves relocation of the students to the new school. It was assumed that Phase 2 would be completed by 2026. Phase 2 would involve demolition of the existing Wedgeworth ES facilities and construction of the 160 units.

1.5 SUMMARY OF PROJECT ALTERNATIVES

The CEQA Guidelines (Section 15126.6[a]) states that an EIR must address “a range of reasonable alternatives to the project, or to the location of the project, which would feasibly attain most of the basic objectives of the project, but would avoid or substantially lessen any of the significant effects of the project and evaluate the comparative merits of the alternatives.”

As described in Chapter 7, *Alternatives*, of this DEIR, the no-project alternative and three development alternatives were identified and analyzed, and their impacts were compared to the impacts of the proposed project.

- No Project/Existing School Improvement Alternative
- New Expanded School Only Alternative
- New School, New Baseball Fields, and Reduced Density Residential Development Alternative
- New Replacement School and Residential Development Alternative

Selection of the alternatives was based, in part, on their potential ability to reduce or eliminate significant impact of the proposed project determined to be potentially significant, which are transportation impact and recreation impact.

Please refer to Chapter 7 for a complete discussion of how the alternatives were selected and the relative impacts associated with each alternative. The following presents a summary of each of the alternatives analyzed in the DEIR. Project objectives are outlined in Section 3.2 and Section 7.1.2.

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1.5.1 No Project/Existing School Improvement Alternative

Under this alternative, the location of the existing Wedgeworth ES campus would not change, and no new K-8 school facilities would be constructed. However, at least 12 of the existing buildings would need to be replaced. Therefore, some demolition and construction occur, but on a much smaller scale than the proposed project. The existing students would also need to be relocated to interim student housing during construction, requiring construction of temporary facilities on the project site, and removal of the temporary facilities once the existing buildings are replaced. No residential development would be developed, and the baseball fields would not be removed and would continue to be used by community groups.

1.5.2 New Expanded School Only Alternative

Under this alternative, only Phase 1 of the proposed project would take place; therefore, no residential uses would be developed on the remaining 10 acres, and the existing two baseball fields in the remaining 10 acres would still be useable. Under this alternative, the existing Wedgeworth ES facilities would be vacated and demolished once the students are moved into the new facilities and fenced in as vacant area. This alternative is intended to reduce the significant and unavoidable transportation and recreation impacts.

1.5.3 New School, New Baseball Fields, and Reduced Density Residential Development Alternative

Under this alternative, the project site would be developed as the Wedgeworth K-8 School under Phase 1, and the remaining 10 acres would be developed with two baseball fields and a 90-unit residential development. Two baseball fields would be developed on an approximately four-acre area near at the northwestern corner, and 90 units would be placed on an approximately six-acre area at a density of 15 units per acre. This alternative is intended to reduce significant and unavoidable transportation and recreation impacts.

1.5.4 New Replacement School and Residential Development Alternative

Under this alternative, the new school would be developed with a maximum capacity of 600 students on the 10-acre portion of the project site, instead of the proposed 1,200 students, and the Phase 2 development would be developed as proposed with 160 units on the remaining 10 acres. As with the proposed project, the baseball fields would be removed. With the maximum capacity of 600 students, it is assumed that two of the classroom buildings could be one story instead of two stories, since the number of classrooms could be reduced by approximately 50 percent.

1.6 ISSUES TO BE RESOLVED

Section 15123(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines requires that an EIR contain issues to be resolved, including the choice among alternatives and whether or how to mitigate significant impacts. With regard to the proposed project, the major issues to be resolved include decisions by the lead agency as to:

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1. Whether this DEIR adequately describes the environmental impacts of the project.
2. Whether the benefits of the project override those environmental impacts which cannot be feasibly avoided or mitigated to a level of insignificance.
3. Whether the proposed land use changes are compatible with the character of the existing area.
4. Whether the identified goals, policies, or mitigation measures should be adopted or modified.
5. Whether there are other mitigation measures that should be applied to the project besides the mitigation measures identified in the DEIR.
6. Whether there are any alternatives to the project that would substantially lessen any of the significant impacts of the proposed project and achieve most of the basic project objectives.

1.7 AREAS OF CONTROVERSY

In accordance with Section 15123(b)(2) of the CEQA Guidelines, the DEIR must identify areas of controversy known to the lead agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public. Some of the community members have expressed concerns over displacement of the four baseball fields and the disparity between different campuses across the District that also need new facilities. Concerns over existing traffic congestion and lack of parking have also be raised by the community members. This DEIR has taken into consideration the comments received from the various agencies and jurisdictions in response to the Notice of Preparation (NOP). Written comments received during the NOP period, which extended from July 29, 2019, to August 27, 2019, are contained in Appendix B of this DEIR.

1.8 SUMMARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS, MITIGATION MEASURES, AND LEVELS OF SIGNIFICANCE AFTER MITIGATION

Table 1-1 summarizes the conclusions of the environmental analysis contained in this EIR. Impacts are identified as significant or less than significant, and mitigation measures are identified for all significant impacts. The level of significance after imposition of the mitigation measures is also presented.

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Environmental Impact	Level of Significance Before Mitigation	Mitigation Measures	Level of Significance After Mitigation
5.1 AIR QUALITY			
Impact 5.1-1: The proposed project is consistent with the applicable air quality management plan.	Less Than Significant	No mitigation measures are required.	Not Applicable
Impact 5.1-2: Construction activities associated with the proposed project could result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard.	Potentially Significant	<p>AQ-1 The Hacienda La Puente Unified School District (District) shall specify in the construction bid that the construction contractor(s) shall, at minimum, use equipment that meets the EPA's Tier 3 emissions standards for off-road diesel-powered construction equipment with more than 50 horsepower for all building demolition, unless it can be demonstrated to District that such equipment is not available. Any emissions control device used by the contractor shall achieve emissions reductions that are no less than what could be achieved by Tier 3 emissions standards for a similarly sized engine, as defined by the California Air Resources Board's regulations. Prior to construction, the project engineer shall ensure that all building demolition plans clearly show the requirement for EPA Tier 3 emissions standards for construction equipment over 50 horsepower for the specific activities stated above. During construction, the construction contractor shall maintain a list of all operating equipment associated with building demolition in use on the site for verification by the District. The construction equipment list shall state the makes, models, and numbers of construction equipment onsite. Equipment shall be properly serviced and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.</p> <p>AQ-2 The Hacienda La Puente Unified School District (District) shall specify in the construction bid that the construction contractor(s) shall only use interior paints with a low VOC (volatile organic compound) content with a maximum concentration of 30 grams per liter (g/L) for residential building architectural coating to reduce VOC emissions. All building and site plans shall note use of paints with a low VOC content with a maximum concentration of 30 g/L. Prior to construction, the construction contractor(s) shall ensure that all construction plans submitted to the District's Director of Facilities and Maintenance, or designee, clearly show the requirement for use on interior paint with a low VOC content with a maximum concentration of 30 g/L for the specified buildings, herein.</p>	Less Than Significant

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Impact 5.1-3: Long-term operation of the project would not result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard.	Less Than Significant	No mitigation measures are required.	Not Applicable
Impact 5.1-4: Construction activities associated with the proposed project could expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations.	Potentially Significant	AQ-3 The Hacienda La Puente Unified School District (District) shall specify in the construction bid that the construction contractor(s) shall water exposed ground surfaces and disturbed areas three times per day during Phase 1 site preparation activities to minimize fugitive dust. Prior to construction, the construction contractor(s) shall ensure that all construction plans submitted to the District's Director of Facilities and Maintenance, or designee, clearly show the watering requirement to control fugitive dust.	Less Than Significant
Impact 5.1-5: Operation of the proposed project would not expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations.	Less Than Significant	No mitigation measures are required.	Not Applicable
5.2 ENERGY			
Impact 5.2-1: The proposed project would not result in potentially significant environmental impact due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of electric power and natural gas energy resources.	Less Than Significant	No mitigation measures are required.	Not Applicable
5.3 GEOLOGY AND SOILS (Paleontological Resources)			
Impact 5.3-1: Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature.	Less Than Significant	No mitigation measures are required.	Not Applicable

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5.4 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS			
Impact 5.4-1: Implementation of the proposed project would not generate a net increase in GHG emissions, either directly or indirectly, that would have a significant impact on the environment.	Less Than Significant	No mitigation measures are required.	Not Applicable
Impact 5.4-2: Implementation of the proposed project would not conflict with an applicable plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of GHGs.	Less Than Significant	No mitigation measures are required.	Not Applicable
5.5 HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY			
Impact 5.5-1: The proposed project would substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area through the addition of impervious surfaces, substantially increasing the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner, therefore could result in flooding on- or offsite.	Potentially Significant	HYD-1 Prior to final grading plan for each phase of the proposed project, the Hacienda La Puente Unified School District and the Project Applicant for residential development shall submit a Low Impact Development (LID) Plan for review and approval by the Director of Public Works that provides a comprehensive, technical discussion of how the proposed project will comply with the requirements of the LID Ordinance and LID Standards Manual and that the proposed project maintains or reduces the project site's predevelopment runoff rates and volumes by using design features that infiltrates, filter, store, evaporate, and/or detain stormwater runoff. The LID Plan must include the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feasibility of infiltration including a percolation report as part of a geotechnical report prepared by a geotechnical engineer • Source control measure(s) proposed to be implemented • Calculation of the SWQDv • Discussion on whether stormwater runoff harvest and use is feasible • Stormwater quality control measure(s) proposed to be implemented • Proposed hydromodification controls and calculations (if deemed necessary by the Public Works Department) • Proposed maintenance plan (if deemed necessary by the Public Works Department) 	Less Than Significant

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5.6 NOISE			
<p>Impact 5.6-1: Construction activities would result in a substantial temporary noise increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project site in excess of local standards.</p>	<p>Potentially Significant</p>	<p>N-1</p> <p>Prior to issuance of demolition, grading and/or building permits, a note shall be provided on construction plans indicating that during grading, demolition, and construction, the project applicant shall be responsible for requiring contractors to implement the following measures to limit construction-related noise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Per County of LA requirements, construction activity shall be limited to the hours of 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM on weekdays and Saturdays. Construction activity shall not occur on Sundays or holidays • During the entire active construction period, equipment and trucks used for project construction shall utilize the best available noise control techniques (e.g., improved mufflers, equipment re-design, use of intake silencers, ducts, engine enclosures, and acoustically attenuating shields or shrouds), wherever feasible. • Require that impact tools (e.g., jack hammers and hoe rams) be hydraulically or electrically powered wherever possible. Where the use of pneumatic tools is unavoidable, an exhaust muffler on the compressed air exhaust shall be used along with external noise jackets on the tools. • Stationary equipment such as generators, air compressors shall be located as far as feasible from nearby noise-sensitive uses. • Stockpiling of materials shall be located as far as feasible from nearby noise-sensitive receptors. • At least 10 days prior to the start of construction activities, a sign shall be posted at the entrance(s) to the job site, clearly visible to the public, that includes permitted construction days and hours, as well as the telephone numbers of the District's and contractor's authorized representatives that are assigned to respond in the event of a noise or vibration complaint. If the authorized contractor's representative receives a complaint, he/she shall investigate, take appropriate corrective action, and report the action to the District. • Signs shall be posted at the job site entrance(s), within the on-site construction zones, and along queueing lanes (if any) to reinforce the 	<p>Less Than Significant</p>

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		prohibition of unnecessary engine idling. All other equipment shall be turned off if not in use for more than 5 minutes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During the entire active construction period and to the extent feasible, the use of noise-producing signals, including horns, whistles, alarms, and bells, shall be for safety warning purposes only. The construction manager shall use smart back-up alarms, which automatically adjust the alarm level based on the background noise level, or switch off back-up alarms and replace with human spotters in compliance with all safety requirements and laws. • Erect temporary noise barriers (at least as high as the exhaust of equipment and breaking line-of-sight between noise sources and sensitive receptors) to maintain construction noise levels at or below the performance standard of 60 dBA at the property line of nearby sensitive receptors. Barriers shall be constructed with a solid material that has a density of at least 4 pounds per square foot with no gaps from the ground to the top of the barrier. Effective locations for barriers are shown in Figure 5.6-1, <i>Approximate Noise Barrier Locations</i>. 	
Impact 5.6-2: Project implementation would not result in a substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project site in excess of local standards.	Less Than Significant	No mitigation measures are required.	Not Applicable
Impact 5.6-3: The proposed project would not create excessive groundborne vibration and groundborne noise.	Less Than Significant	No mitigation measures are required.	Not Applicable
5.7 RECREATION			
Impact 5.7-1: The proposed project would generate additional residents that would increase the use of existing park and recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated.	Potentially Significant	REC-1 The Hacienda La Puente Unified School District shall work with local baseball organization in identifying a replacement baseball field prior to closing of the existing fields.	Significant and Unavoidable

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<p>Impact 5.7-2: Project implementation would not result in environmental impacts to provide new and/or expanded recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment.</p>	Potentially Significant	See Mitigation Measure REC-1.	Significant and Unavoidable
5.8 TRANSPORTATION			
<p>Impact 5.8-1: The proposed project could conflict with a program, plan, ordinance or policy addressing the circulation system, including transit, roadway, bicycle and pedestrian facilities.</p>	Potentially Significant	<p>TRAN-1 The following improvements shall be provided at the #13 Azusa Avenue and Pepper Brook Way intersection.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At the eastbound approach restripe the approach with a one left turn and one shared left/thru/right turn lane. • Modify the phasing for the eastbound and westbound approaches to split phase. • Prohibit right turns on red at the westbound approach to avoid conflicts with vehicles making eastbound left turns into Azusa Avenue. 	Significant and Unavoidable
<p>Impact 5.8-2: The proposed project would not be inconsistent with CEQA Guidelines § 15064.3, subdivision (b).</p>	Less Than Significant	No mitigation measures are required.	Not Applicable
<p>Impact 5.8-3: The proposed project would not substantially increase hazards due to a geometric design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment).</p>	Potentially Significant	<p>TRAN-2 Prior to the opening of the school, Hacienda La Puente Unified School District (District) shall work with the County of Los Angeles to identify traffic signing and striping to be implemented in conjunction with detailed construction plans for the project. A recommended layout is presented in Figure 5.8-7, <i>Site Access Recommendations</i>, of the DEIR. As shown in Figure 5.8-7, the existing signage that marks the existing student drop-off shall be eliminated, and new “No Stopping” should be placed in conformance with design standards from the California Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways and County of Los Angeles standards. Additionally, appropriate crosswalk and pavement marking shall be installed.</p> <p>TRAN-3 The Applicant of the residential development shall install a stop sign and stop bar or similar traffic control feature at each of the access driveway on Wedgeworth Drive and Eagle Park Road.</p>	Less Than Significant

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		TRAN-4 A site-specific construction worksite staging and traffic control plan shall be prepared and submitted to the County of Los Angeles and California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for review prior to the start of any construction work. This plan shall include such elements as the location of any potential partial lane closures, hours during which lane closures (if any) would not be allowed, local traffic detours (if any), protective devices and traffic controls (such as barricades, cones, flag persons, lights, warning beacons, temporary traffic signals, warning signs). The proposed project will be required to comply with the County-approved plan measures, or Caltrans-approved plan measures, if any of state facilities are affected.	
5.9 TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES			
Impact 5.9-1: The proposed project could cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource that is determined by the lead agency to be significant pursuant to criteria in Public Resources Code section 5024.1(c).	Potentially Significant	TRC-1 Prior to the issuance of any permits allowing ground-disturbing activities that cause excavation to depths greater than artificial fill, the Hacienda La Puente Unified School District and the Applicant for the residential development shall retain qualified Native American Monitor(s), approved by tribal group who is traditionally and culturally affiliates with the project site and has demonstrated, by a written material, that there is a reason to suggest that there could be a tribal cultural resource (TRC) within the project site, during construction-related ground disturbance activities. The monitor(s) shall be present on-site during construction that involve ground disturbing activities. The Native American monitor(s) shall be responsible for the following activities during the monitoring, as appropriate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete monitoring logs on a daily basis, providing descriptions of the daily activities, including construction activities, locations, soil, and any cultural materials identified. • The on-site monitoring shall end when the project site grading and excavation activities are completed, or when the tribal representatives and monitor have indicated that the site has a low potential for tribal cultural resources. • Upon discovery, the tribal and/or archaeological monitor/consultant/consultant shall immediately divert work a minimum of 150 feet and place an exclusion zone around the burial. The monitor/consultant(s) shall then notify the tribe, the qualified lead 	Less Than Significant

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		<p>archaeologist, and the construction manager who shall call the coroner.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work will continue to be diverted while the coroner determines whether the remains are Native American. The discovery is to be kept confidential and secure to prevent any further disturbance. If the finds are determined to be Native American, the coroner will notify the NAHC, as mandated by state law, who will then appoint a Most Likely Descendent (MLD). • The designated MLD shall implement the following or similar treatment measures. • Prior to the continuation of ground-disturbing activities, the land owner shall arrange a designated site location within the footprint of the project for the respectful reburial of the human remains and/or ceremonial objects. • In the case where discovered human remains cannot be fully documented and recovered on the same day, the remains shall be covered with muslin cloth and a steel plate that can be moved by heavy equipment placed over the excavation opening to protect the remains. If this type of steel plate is not available, a 24-hour guard should be posted outside of working hours. • The tribe shall make every effort to recommend diverting the project and keeping the remains in situ and protected. If the project cannot be diverted, it may be determined that the burials will be removed. The tribe will work closely with the qualified archaeologist to ensure that the excavation is treated carefully, ethically and respectfully. • If data recovery is approved by the tribe, documentation shall be taken that includes, at a minimum, detailed descriptive notes and sketches. Additional types of documentation shall be approved by the tribe for data recovery purposes. • Cremations will either be removed in bulk or by means as necessary to ensure completely recovery of all material. If the discovery of human remains includes four or more burials, the location is considered a cemetery and a separate treatment plan shall be created. Once complete, a final report of all activities is to be submitted to the tribe and the NAHC. • Each occurrence of human remains and associated funerary objects shall be stored using opaque cloth bags. All human remains, funerary objects, sacred objects, and objects of cultural patrimony will be removed to a 	

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		secure container on site if possible. These items should be retained and reburied within six months of recovery. The site of reburial/repatriation shall be on the project site but at a location agreed upon between the tribe and the landowner at a site to be protected in perpetuity. There shall be no publicity regarding any cultural materials recovered.	
5.10 UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS			
Impact 5.10-1: The proposed project would require relocation or construction of new or expanded electric power and natural gas facilities, but the construction or relocation of these facilities would not cause significant environmental effects.	Less Than Significant	No mitigation measures are required.	Not Applicable
Impact 5.10-2: The proposed project would result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments.	Less Than Significant	No mitigation measures are required.	Not Applicable

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