



# HACIENDA LA PUENTE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## **NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY of a DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT and NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING for the WEDGEWORTH K-8 SCHOOL and RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

**DATE:** December 5, 2019

**PROJECT TITLE:** Wedgeworth K-8 School and Residential Development Project (SCH No. 2019071040)

**LEAD AGENCY:** Hacienda La Puente Unified School District

**PROJECT LOCATION:** 16949 Wedgeworth Drive, Hacienda Heights, Los Angeles County (Assessor's Parcel Number 8209-001-901).

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Hacienda La Puente Unified School District (District) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed Wedgeworth K-8 School and Residential Development Project pursuant to Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 21165 and the CEQA Guidelines (CA Code of Regulations) Section 15050. The purpose of this notice is to serve as a Notice of Availability of a DEIR pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines Section 15087 and to advise and solicit comments regarding the content of the DEIR.

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY:** Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15087, the public review period will commence on **December 5, 2019**, and will close on **January 21, 2020**. The District, as lead agency, requests that responsible and trustee agencies and interested parties respond in a manner consistent Section 15082(b) of the CEQA Guidelines. Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.4, responsible and trustee agencies must submit any comments in response to this notice no later than 45 days after receipt. A copy of the DEIR is available for review at:

- District Offices: 15959 East Gale Avenue, City of Industry, California 91716-0002
- District Website: [WWW.HLPSCHOOLS.ORG/WSP](http://WWW.HLPSCHOOLS.ORG/WSP)

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Hacienda La Puente Unified School District is proposing to redevelop a 20-acre project site in phases to construct a new expanded K-8 school serving 1,200 students on 10 acres in Phase 1 and up to 160 residential units in Phase 2. The 20-acre site consists of the existing Wedgeworth Elementary School with a maximum student enrollment capacity of 600 K-5 students, four baseball fields with nighttime lighting, and a vacant lot.

**ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:** Based on the analysis in the Initial Study and comment letters received in response to the Notice of Preparation (NOP), the District determined that the following environmental issues are further analyzed in the DEIR:

- Air Quality
- Energy
- Geology and Soil
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Noise
- Recreation
- Transportation
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Utilities and Service Systems

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The DEIR analyzes the environmental effects of the proposed project to the degree of specificity required by Section 15146 of the CEQA Guidelines. The DEIR identified significant effects on the following environment issues as a result of the proposed project.

- Recreation
- Transportation

The proposed certification of EIR includes adoption of Findings of Fact, Statement of Overriding Consideration, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; and approval of the proposed project.

**WRITTEN COMMENTS:** All interested parties are invited to submit written comments on the DEIR for consideration by the Board of Education. Due to the time limits mandated by state law, your written comments should be sent at the earliest possible date but not later than 5:00 PM on January 21, 2020. Only timely received comments will be considered.

Send Responses to: Hacienda La Puente Unified School District  
Mark Hansberger, Director, Facilities Projects  
15959 East Gale Avenue  
City of Industry, California 91716-0002

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** From **December 5, 2019**, to **January 21, 2020**, by 5:00 pm.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING:**

*Please also be informed that the Hacienda La Puente Board of Education will hold a public meeting in the District Office Board Room, 15959 East Gale Avenue, Hacienda Heights, CA 91745, on February 27, 2020, or soon thereafter, to receive public comments, and consider the DEIR and the proposed project actions.*

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