Boulder Oaks Preserve Improvement Project Revised Draft Initial Study/Environmental Analysis

RECIRCULATION READER'S GUIDE

This Guide is provided to facilitate reviewing changes between the attached Revised Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (Revised DMND) discussions and the DMND circulated for public review for the Boulder Oaks Preserve Improvement Project. The purpose of this information sheet is to provide clarifications to Section XX. Wildfire analysis section of the DMND and associated draft Initial Study/Environmental Analysis and circulated as part of the DEIR.

The DMND was previously circulated for public review from September 12 through October 16, 2019 (a 35-day public review period). All interested persons and organizations had an opportunity during this time to submit their written comments on the DEIR to the County of San Diego.

In response to comments received from the circulation of the DMND and recent court decisions on wildfire analysis, revisions have been made to the wildfire analysis. Due to these additions and changes made to the DMND, a conservative decision was made to recirculate the Revised DMND Section XX (Wildfire) text from the DMND, as well as supplemental Fire Services Operational Assessment and Wildfire Site Evacuation Plan reports.

Reviewers should limit their comments to the revised chapters or portions of the recirculated DMND only. The County requests that comments are provided on only the text indicated in underline format in the Summary. The reader can view all deleted text as indicated in strikethrough format.

The comments submitted during the earlier circulation period (September 12 through October 16, 2019) that relate to chapters or portions of the document that were not revised and are not recirculated here and will be responded to as part of the Final MND (FMND). The County also will respond to comments submitted on the specific chapters and portions of the Revised DMND that are part of this recirculation. Both sets of comments and responses (from the DMND and these recirculated portions of the Revised DMND) will be included in the FMND.

New comments must be submitted. Comments on the recirculated Revised Draft MND sections must be received no later than July 29, 2020 at 4:00 P.M. and should reference the project name: Boulder Oaks Preserve Improvement Project.

Comments must be sent to the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) address listed below or via email to Lorrie Bradley.

Department of Parks and Recreation ATTN: Lorrie Bradley 5500 Overland Avenue, Suite 410 San Diego, CA 92123

For additional information, please contact: Lorrie Bradley at Lorrie.Bradley@sdcounty.ca.gov or (858) 966-1379.

Files Availability. The recirculated Revised DMND portions and associated studies are available on the DPR website:

http://www.sdparks.org/content/sdparks/en/AboutUs/Plans/public-review-documents.html

The previous DEIR circulated from September 12 through October 16, 2019, is available at the Department of Parks and Recreation offices at 5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 310, San Diego, California, 92123. Please contact Lorrie Bradley at (858) 966-1379 to schedule an appointment to view the document.

Recirculated Documents. The following items are being recirculated for review and comment:

- Section XX (Wildfire), Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Boulder Oaks Preserve Improvement Project
- Draft Boulder Oaks Preserve Site Evacuation Plan and Fire Safety Plan
- Boulder Oaks Preserve Improvement Project Fire Services Operational Assessment

The major additions or changes for which new comments will be considered include the following:

 Additional analysis in the Revised DMND supporting conclusions made in the previously circulated DMND.

Additional Analysis. A fire services operational assessment (Assessment) was prepared by Rohde and Associates for the project. The assessment looked at site characteristics, wildfire risk, evacuations, and an assessment of fire services. The Assessment concluded that project elements proposed as part of the DMND will significantly mitigation any additional risk posed by public use of the preserve.