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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Franklin Elementary School Whole Site Modernization

Lead Agency: San Diego Unified School District

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Project Location: San Diego (*City*) San Diego (*County*)

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

Franklin Elementary School is an existing school situated on an approximately four-acre, District-owned site located at 4481 Copeland Avenue in the central part of the City of San Diego, California. The school is within the Mid-City Kensington-Talmadge (Kensington) community, located approximately 0.27 miles east of Interstate (I-) 15 and approximately 1.4 miles south of I-8. The Franklin Elementary School Whole Site Modernization Project (Proposed Project) would repair, renovate, and revitalize the existing Franklin Elementary School (Project Site or campus). Improvements would include demolition of a classroom building, kindergarten building, and two existing portables in the northern portion of the campus, and the construction of a new two-story 16,400 square feet building in its place, which would include 12 classrooms and a new cafeteria. In addition, the Proposed Project would modernize buildings, which would include repairing interior and exterior finishes, replacing doors and windows as needed, renovating restrooms, adding a new public address system, and repairing and replacing deteriorating plumbing as necessary. Improvements would also include repairing sidewalks and ramps, modifying the existing security fence. The Proposed Project would not include any changes to the current number of students, student capacity, or staff. The modernization improvements are anticipated to begin in the winter of 2021 and would continue over approximately 12 months.

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

The Proposed Project would potentially impact air quality, biological resources, cultural (historic and archaeological) resources, noise, and tribal cultural resources. To mitigate impacts to air quality, the Proposed Project shall utilize construction equipment that meets or exceed the CARB and USEPA Tier 4 off-road emissions standards. To mitigate impacts to biological resources, tree and vegetation removal and other construction activities shall take place outside of the general avian breeding season, otherwise a nesting bird survey shall be conducted. To mitigate impacts to cultural (historic and archaeological) resources, prior to the start of any ground disturbing activities, a qualified archaeologist shall be retained by the District to carry out all mitigation measures related to cultural resources. Mitigation would also include cultural resources sensitivity training for all construction personnel. Further, in the event of the unanticipated discovery of archaeological materials, all work shall immediately cease in the area (within approximately 100 feet) of the discovery until it can be evaluated by the qualified archaeologist, and if necessary, the appropriate Native American representatives. Additionally, to mitigate impacts to historic resources, a recordation document shall be prepared in accordance with Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) Level III requirements for the eligible buildings within the identified historic district. A Qualified Preservation Professional shall be retained to develop a plan of action for avoidance and protection of historic materials, and a qualified preservation consultant shall be retained to review the final plans for all new proposed construction to ensure conformance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for retaining portions of the historic district. To mitigate impacts related to noise, the construction contractor shall implement listed construction equipment techniques to reduce construction-related noise and vibration at nearby noise-sensitive receivers. To mitigation impacts related to tribal cultural resources, monitoring shall be conducted by a qualified Kumeyaay Native American monitor.

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

Areas of controversy will be identified for the Proposed Project during the public review period in response to information published in this NOI and IS/MND.

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

California Division of State Architects and San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board provide ministerial review of project construction documents but does not have any discretionary approval over the project including CEQA review.