

## NOTICE OF COMPLETION AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (MND 2350) FOR ENCHANTED HILLS PARK

January 29, 2020

Project Location - County: Riverside

## Via Fed-EX

State of California Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street, Room 212 Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title: Enchanted Hills Park (ADPR) 19-05193

Lead Agency:

City of Perris Planning Division 135 North "D" Street Perris, California 92570 (951) 943-5003 ext. 279

Contact: Nathan Perez, Senior Planner

**Project Location - City: Perris** 

**Project Location - Specific:** Specifically, the approximately 22.81-acre study area is bound by Metz Road to the north, Watson Road to the south, residential homes that front Altura Drive to the east, and Carter Drive to the west. The Project site includes Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) 326-072-004, 326-062-017, 326-071-001, 326-071-002, 326-072-001, 326-072-002, 326-072-003, 326-072-004, 326-072-005, and 326-073-001. It is noted that the City has not been able to acquire a single parcel (APNs 326-072-001) in the northern portion of the greater Project area; thus, this parcel is not included in the Project. However, to be conservative, this parcel was included as part of the environmental evaluation.

**Description of the Project:** The Enchanted Hills area was recognized by the City as a park-deficient community and subsequently, the City applied and was awarded funds through the California Department of Housing and Community Development to assist in the acquisition of parcels to create a park in the Enchanted Hills area of the City. Currently, the City has applied for a Proposition 68 – Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program competitive grant to construct the park. Through a series of community outreach efforts, the City prepared a conceptual plan for the Project. The plan includes a combination of passive and active recreational features as discussed below.

The proposed Project consists of an active sports park. While many natural features of the site would be retained, park development would include the introduction of hardscape and impermeable surfaces as well as turfed and landscaped areas. The park plan includes a multi-use field, child play area, toddler play area, restrooms, picnic shelters, hardscape, parking lots, bridges, trails, a basketball court, BMX course improvements, art rocks, a splash pad, a skating area, and a zip line. Additionally, the Project would retain and incorporate some of the existing site features, such as Owl Rock, and formalize the unofficial BMX course that exists on the site. There are three proposed entrances to the site; one at the intersection of Weston Road and Diana Street, and two entrances that form a horse-shoe drive adjacent to and accessible from Metz Road. The Project would include on-site signing and road striping, improve Weston Road and Metz Road to their full local street alignment along the Project boundary, and provide appropriate sight distance measures in accordance with Caltrans standards. The Project also includes the undergrounding of the electrical transmission line that traverses the southern portion of the site and while the exact alignment is unknown at this time, the alignment will avoid the riparian area that is to be preserved in its natural state.

The Project includes the following discretionary actions the by the City: adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration in compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Copies of all relevant material, including the project specifications, are available for review at the City of Perris Planning Division, City Hall, and Senior Center located at the addresses stated below.

## Address Where a Copy of the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Documents Incorporated by Reference are Available (Electronic copy provided at <a href="http://www.cityofperris.org/departments/development/planning.html">http://www.cityofperris.org/departments/development/planning.html</a>):

City of Perris

Planning Division 135 North "D" Street Perris, California 92570-2200

Phone: (951) 943-5003 FAX: (951) 943-8379

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM

City of Perris

163 E. San Jacinto Perris, CA 92570

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Monday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday:

12 noon – 8 p.m.

Sunday: 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

City of Perris

Senior Center 100 North "D" Street

Perris, California 92570-2200

Phone: (951) 657-7334

Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Public Review Period: The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is being circulated for a **30-day review period**, which will commence on **January 29, 2020 and close on February 27. 2020**. Due to the time limits mandated by State Law, your comments must be received at the earliest date, but not later than February 27, 2020. Please send your comments to Nathan Perez, City of Perris Planning Division, 135 North "D" Street, Perris, California 92570-2200. Mr. Perez may be reached by phone at (951) 943-5003 ext. 279, or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:nperez@cityofperris.org">nperez@cityofperris.org</a>.

**Hazardous Materials Statement:** The Project site is not listed on any list of hazardous waste sites prepared pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

## **Attachments:**

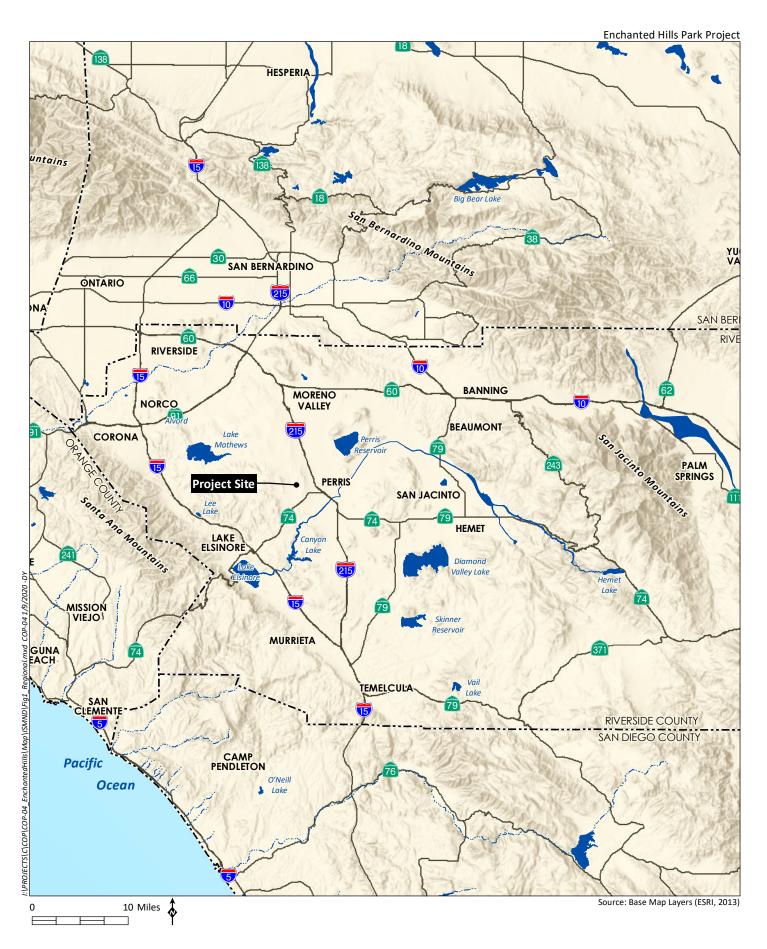
Figure 1 Regional Location

Figure 2 Project Location

Figure 3 Site Plan

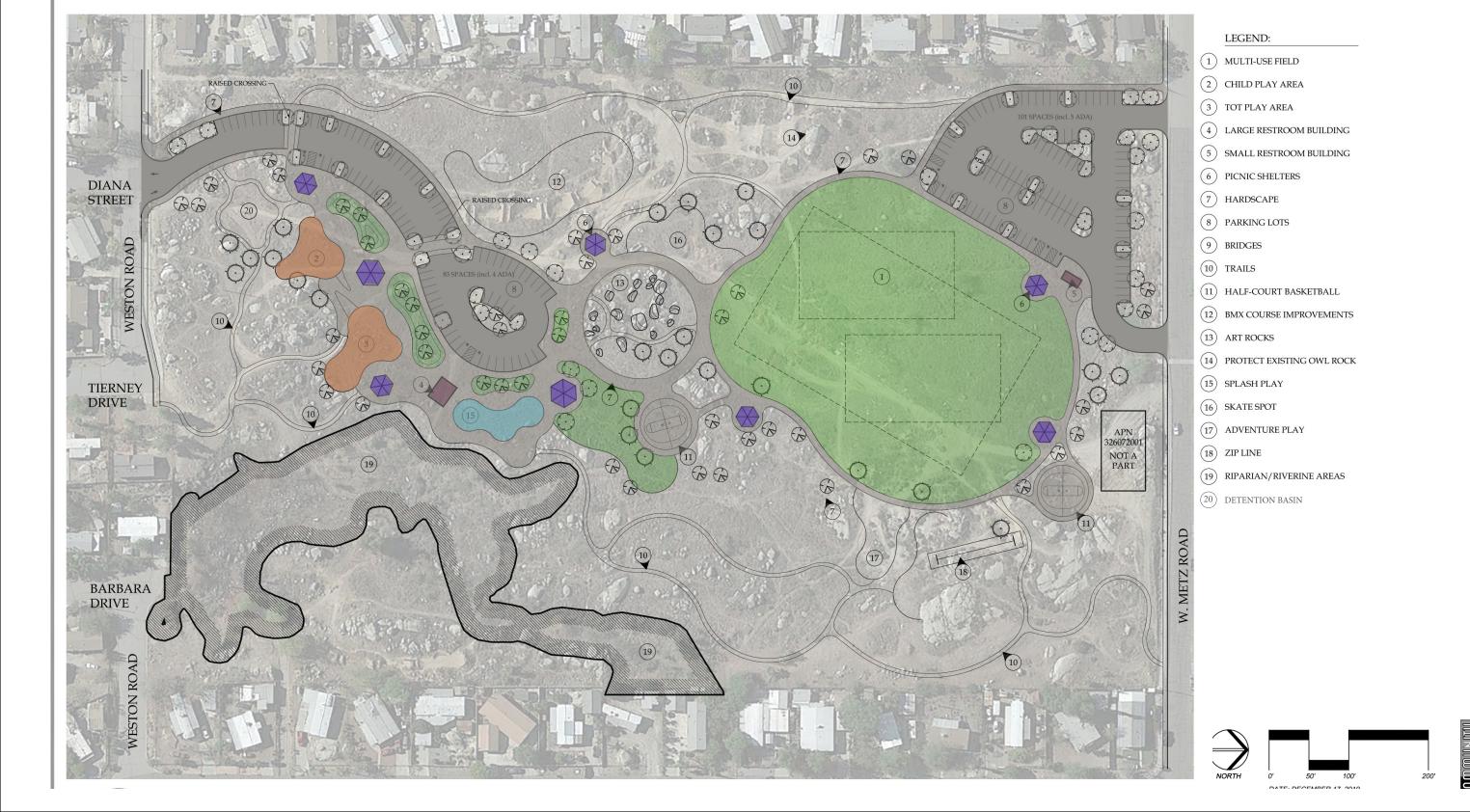
Enc.: Draft IS/MND (15 CDs and 15 copies Summary Form for Electronic Submittal)

Completed Environmental Document Transmittal Form









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