April 3, 2020

Ms. Jenny Hannah
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Kern High School District
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NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF DRAFT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR
THE KERN HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL
SOUTHWEST PROJECT, WIBLE ROAD AND ENGLE ROAD, BAKERSFIELD,
KERN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA (SITE CODE: 104789)

Dear Ms. Hannah:

The Northern California Schools Unit of the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is issuing a correction regarding its Responsible Agency Comment letter dated March 30, 2020 for the draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the New Comprehensive High School - Southwest Project proposed by the Kern High School District (District).

The March 30, 2020 letter neglected to acknowledge the fact that the District completed a Supplemental Site Investigation (SSI) for the southern 80-acre portion of the project site in 2019, and DTSC approved the SSI and issued a No Further Action determination on November 15, 2019, for this 80-acre portion. It is DTSC's recommendation that the draft IS/MND be revised to include this information in Section 3.4.9. Therefore, DTSC is hereby withdrawing its previous comment provided in the letter dated March 30, 2020.
If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact me at (916) 255-3695, or via email at Bud.Duke@dtsc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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