## LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR AVALON K-12 HVAC, ADA, CONTAMINATED SOIL REMOVAL AND NEW SYNTHETIC TURF FIELD PROJECT

TO: Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

Notice is hereby given that the Long Beach Unified School District has completed an Initial Study for the Avalon K-12 HVAC, ADA, Contaminated Soil Removal And New Synthetic Turf Field Project (Proposed Project).

**PROJECT LOCATION**: The Proposed Project site is located at 200 Falls Canyon Road in Avalon, California and is situated against a natural hillside on the south, with residential housing on the north, City warehouses on the west and a golf course on the east. The site is approximately 11.5 acres in size and encompasses seven permanent buildings, one modular building, and 22 relocatable/portable buildings.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**: The Proposed Project proposes to use the Measure E bonds to install HVAC to permanent buildings, undertake interior improvements to buildings on the campus, and ADA improvements. The Proposed Project will also replace the existing natural turf athletic field with a new synthetic turf field. Additionally, in response to the Imminent and Substantial Endangerment Determination and Order issued by the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) in 2012, the Project proposes to remove a portion of the delineated contaminated soil and any additional contaminated soil encountered that is located on the campus to an offsite disposal site.

**PROJECT SCHEDULE**: The Proposed Project is expected to occur over a 24-month period, approximately between 2022 and 2024.

**POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS**: In compliance with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements, an Initial Study has been prepared to assess the potential environmental impacts of the Proposed Project. The Proposed Project site is on a list of hazardous materials sites (Cortese List) and is designated an active cleanup site by DTSC (60001560). A Removal Action Plan (RAP) has been developed in support of the development of a Removal Action Workplan. The implementation of the RAP is part of the Proposed Project. On the basis of the Initial Study, District staff has concluded that the Proposed Project would not have a significant impact on the environment and has therefore recommended adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND). The MND reflects the independent judgment of the District staff.

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD**: The MND is now available for a 30-day public review period. The District has made the IS/MND available for public review and comment pursuant to the California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Section 15072. All comments must be submitted in writing to the address, email or fax number noted below. The District will receive written comments on the Draft IS/MND from July 13, 2020 to 5:00 PM on August 12, 2020.

• **DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY**: Copies of the MND and all documents incorporated by reference in the MND are available for review at: District's website at [http://lbschoolbonds.net/avalon-k12.cfm]

In addition, if you would like an electronic copy or hard copy of the MND and all documents incorporated by reference in the MND please reach out to Elston Soares at esoares@lbschools.net.

**COMMENTS:** Written comments may be submitted to:

Long Beach Unified School District or CEQA@lbschools.net or (562) 595-8644 (FAX)

Facilities Development & Planning

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Agency responses to this notice should include the name of the Proposed Project "Avalon K-12 HVAC, ADA, Contaminated Soil Removal And New Synthetic Turf Field Project" and the contact person representing the commenting agency.

<b>PUBLIC MEETING</b> : Following the public review period, to IS/MND will be considered at the regular meeting of the Lorentz to the second	the Final IS/MND will be prepared, and adoption oong Beach Unified School District Board of Education	f the Final n.