

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY/INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

For the Canyon Loop Trail Improvement Project

This serves as the City of Diamond Bar's Notice of Availability/Intent to Adopt an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Canyon Loop Trail Improvement Project, prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), CEQA Guidelines, and local implementation procedures.

- *Name of Project:* Canyon Loop Trail Improvement Project
- **Project Location:** The project site is the existing Canyon Loop Trail situated within the central portion of the City of Diamond Bar, and is part of the Summitridge Park Trail System. The 1.29-linear mile trail is located within Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 8701-059-904.
- *Lead Agency:* City of Diamond Bar, Parks and Recreation Department, 21810 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, California 91765
- **Project Description:** The project proposes several trail improvement features along the Canyon Loop Trail within the Summitridge Park Trail System. Proposed improvements include trail widening along most of the South Canyon Loop, as well as provision of gabion retaining walls, stairs with handrails and cobblestone swales, drainage crossings, shade structures with benches/trash receptacles, lodge pole fences, and wayfinding/interpretive signage. The project site is not included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the City of Diamond Bar proposes to adopt an IS/MND for the above-referenced project. The IS/MND is based on the finding that by implementing the identified mitigation measures, the project's potentially significant environmental effects would be reduced to a less than significant level. The reasons to support such a finding are documented in the Initial Study prepared by the City.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, City Hall and the Diamond Bar Library are closed until further notice. The IS/MND is available for public review in electronic format on the City's website at https://www.diamondbarca.gov/962/Canyon-Loop-Trail-Improvement-Project.

Written comments regarding the proposed IS/MND must be submitted to the City **prior to 5:30 p.m. on the last day of the 30-day public review/comment period (November 16, 2020).** All correspondence and any questions regarding the IS/MND should be directed to the following City staff:

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Public Review Period:	Begins – October 16, 2020	<i>Ends</i> – November 16, 2020
Public Hearing: A public hearing has not yet been scheduled. A separate notice of public hearing will be circulated pursuant to applicable City of Diamond Bar public noticing requirements once a public hearing has been scheduled.		
Signature: 19-14	Date Date	e: <u>October 16, 2020</u>
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