



Notice of Preparation of a Draft EIR and Scoping Meeting

Date: December 3, 2021

To: Public Agencies and Interested Parties

Subject: Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report and Scoping

Meeting

The City of Fontana, as lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), will prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Cypress and Slover Warehouse (Industrial Commerce Center) Project (the "Project"). In accordance with Section No. 15082 of the CEQA Guidelines, the City has issued this Notice of Preparation (NOP) to provide responsible agencies, trustee agencies, and other interested parties with information describing the proposed Project and its potential environmental effects.

The purpose of this notice is to:

- serve as the Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report for the Office of Planning and Research (OPR), Responsible Agencies, public agencies involved in funding or approving the project, and Trustee Agencies responsible for natural resources affected by the project, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section No. 15082;
- 2) advise and solicit comments and suggestions regarding the preparation of the EIR, environmental issues to be addressed in the EIR, and any other related issues, from interested parties, including interested or affected members of the public; and
- 3) advertise a public meeting to solicit comments from public agencies and interested parties regarding the scope of study in the EIR.

Project Location

The Project Site is located north of Slover Avenue, south of the Southern Pacific Railroad right-of-way and Interstate 10, west of Cypress Avenue, and east of Oleander Avenue, in the City of Fontana, San Bernardino County, California (see Figure 1, Regional Map and Figure 2, Vicinity Map). The Project Site comprises Assessor Parcel Numbers 0251-163-01, -02, -03, -04, -05, -06, -07, -08, -09, -10, and -13 and 0251-164-03, -04, -10, -11, -12, -14, -15, -16, -20, -23, and -25.

Project Description

The Project provides for the re-development of the approximately 28.8-acre Project Site with a light industrial building that contains approximately 625,500 square feet of floor area and associated improvements, including but not limited to a loading/unloading area with loading dock doors and trailer parking spaces, passenger vehicle parking, landscaping, and connections to existing utility infrastructure (see Figure 3, Conceptual Site Plan). The proposed building would be approximately 49 feet tall and would be constructed of concrete tilt-up panels, with decorative building elements (e.g., colored glass, metal canopies). The Project is being developed on a speculative basis and is expected to operate 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. The proposed Project is consistent with the Fontana General Plan Land Use Map and the Fontana Zoning District Map. The Project requires City of Fontana approval of the following entitlements: Design Review and Tentative Parcel Map.

EIR Scope

CEQA Guidelines Section No. 15063 grants Lead Agencies the ability to bypass preparation of an Initial Study and proceed with preparation of an EIR in instances where an EIR is clearly required for a project. In this instance, the City of Fontana in its capacity as Lead Agency for the proposed project has determined that the Project clearly has the potential to result in significant environmental effects and that an EIR shall be prepared that addresses the following environmental considerations:

- Aesthetics
- Agriculture and Forestry Resources
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Energy
- Geology and Soils
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology and Water Quality

- Land Use and Planning
- Mineral Resources
- Noise and Vibration
- Population and Housing
- Public Services
- Transportation/Average Daily Trip Calc.
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Utilities and Service Systems
- Wildfire
- Health Risk Assessment

The EIR will assess the effects of the Project on the environment, identify potentially significant impacts, identify feasible mitigation measures to reduce or eliminate potentially significant environmental impacts, and discuss potentially feasible alternatives to the Project that may accomplish basic objectives while lessening or eliminating any potentially significant Project-related impacts.

Opportunity for Public Review and Comment

This Notice is available for review on the City's website at: https://www.fontana.org/2137/Environmental-Documents.

The City of Fontana would like to receive your input on the scope of the information and analysis to be included in the EIR. Due to time limits, as established by CEQA, your response should

be sent at the earliest possible date, but no later than thirty (30) days after publication of this notice. Please submit your comments by 5:00 p.m. on January 6, 2022, by mail or e-mail to:

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Please include the name, phone number, and address of a contact person in your response.

Scoping Meeting

The City of Fontana will hold a public scoping meeting, where agencies, organizations, and members of the public will receive a brief presentation on the Project and will have the opportunity to provide comments on the scope of the information and analysis to be included in the EIR.

The meeting will be held on:

Date and Time: December 16, 2021, Teams Meeting, 5:00 pm

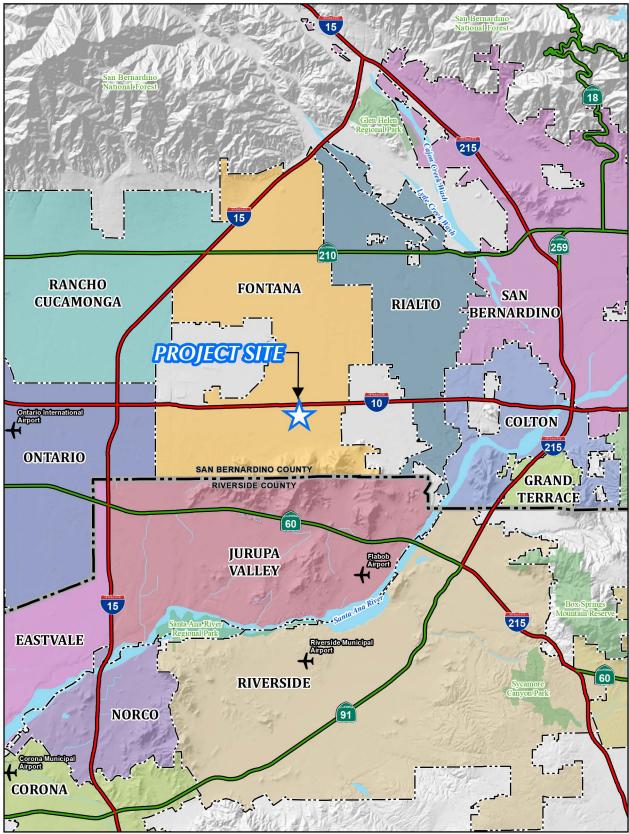
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Attachments:

Figure 1 – Regional Map

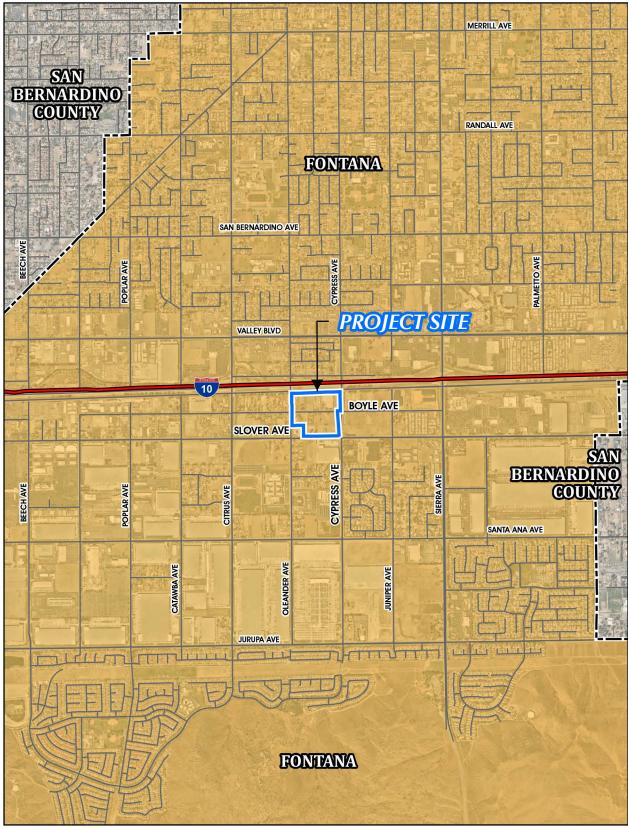
Figure 2 – Vicinity Map

Figure 3 – Conceptual Site Plan



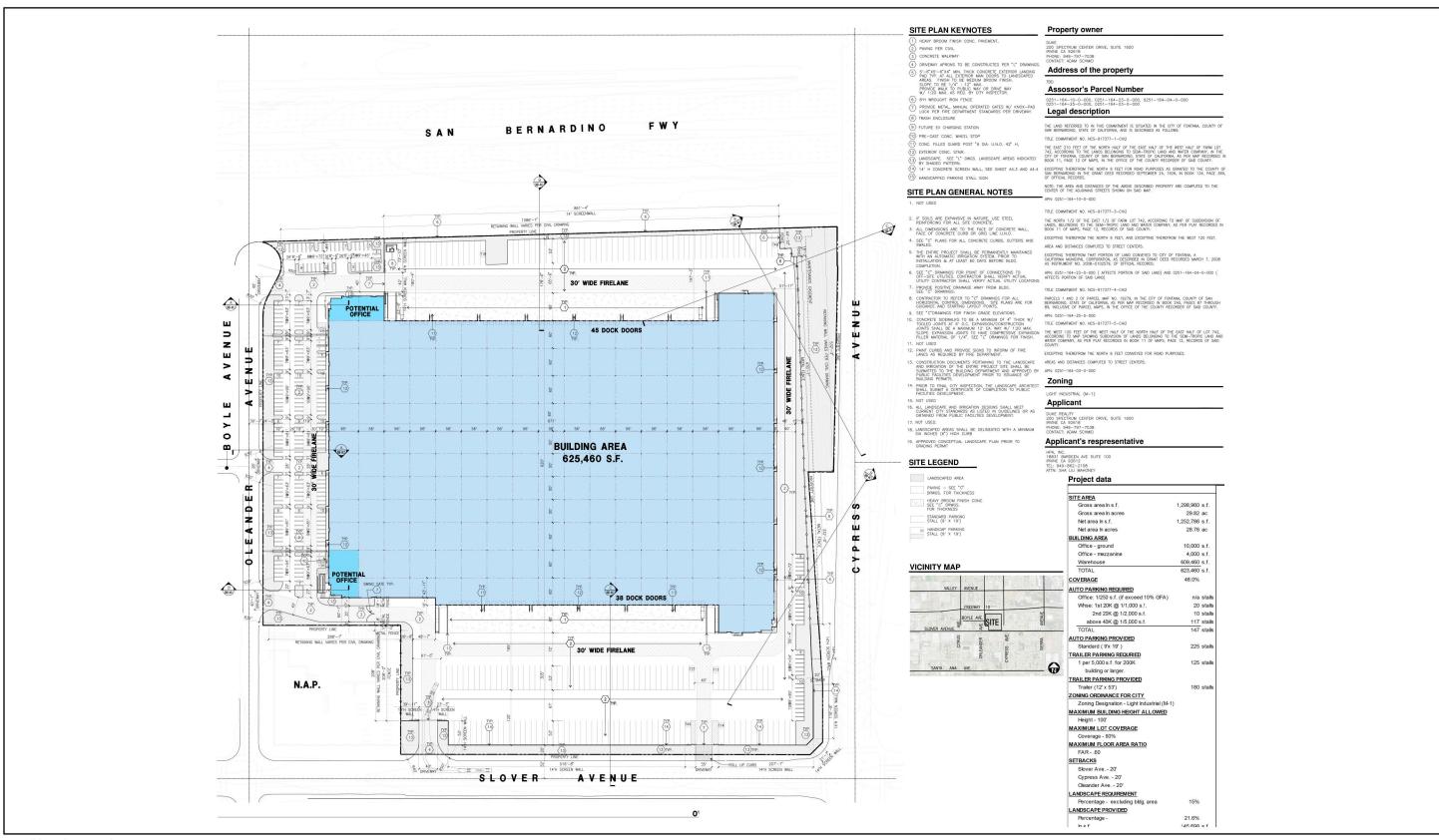
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Source(s): HPA (09-10-2021)

Not to Scale

Cypress and Slover Industrial Building

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