**Notice of Availability**

San Juan Unified School District

Katherine Johnson Middle School Project

Draft Environmental Impact Report

Notice Dated September 15, 2022

Comment Period September 15, 2022 to October 31, 2022

***Notice is hereby given*** *that the San Juan Unified School District, as lead agency, has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) (State Clearinghouse Number 2022060230) for the below referenced Katherine Johnson Middle School Project (also referred to as “the project” or “the proposed project”). The Draft EIR analyzes the potential environmental effects associated with the proposed project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). In accordance with Section 15087 of the CEQA Guidelines, San Juan Unified School District has prepared this Notice of Availability (NOA) to provide responsible agencies and other interested parties with notice that the Draft EIR is now available for review, and to solicit comments and concerns regarding the environmental issues associated with the proposed Katherine Johnson Middle School from September 15, 2022 to October 31, 2022.*

**PROJECT LOCATION:**

The Katherine Johnson Middle School project location is an approximately 9.75-acre area situated in unincorporated Sacramento County, east of the Sacramento City limits, in the urbanized Arden-Arcade Community. The project site is located at 2641 Kent Drive (APN 268-0290-001-0000), and is bounded by Miramar Road on the south, Belport Lane on the west, private residences adjacent to Lacy Lane on the north, and private residences adjacent to Creekside Lane and Cresthaven Drive on the east.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

SJUSD is proposing to redevelop a District-owned property in the Arden-Arcade Community, at the former Creekside Elementary School campus and current Creekside Adult Center located at 2641 Kent Drive. All of the existing buildings and facilities associated with the former Creekside Elementary School, which was constructed in 1953, would be demolished and removed. This would involve 25,928 square feet of existing school buildings. A new middle school would be developed in place. The proposed Katherine Johnson Middle School would include construction of approximately 65,000 square feet of school building space. The current capacity of Katherine Johnson Middle School - currently co-located with Encina High School - is 550 students. The proposed school capacity would accommodate up to 650 students. Approximately 48 staff are projected for the new middle school. The operations at the Creekside Adult Center will move to the Encina High School campus. This would involve construction of 11 portables (including a double-wide Kinder) and a restroom building, no permanent buildings, and provide for a capacity of up to 30 per class (300 students total).

**SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:**

The Draft EIR has identified the below-listed environmental issue areas as having potentially significant environmental impacts. Those resources indicated with an asterisk (\*) have been identified as having significant and unavoidable impacts.

* Aesthetics and Recreation
* Air Quality
* Biological Resources
* Cultural Resources
* Geology and Paleontological Resources
* Hazards and Hazardous Materials
* Hydrology and Water Quality
* Noise and Vibration\*
* Transportation
* Tribal Cultural Resources

There are no sites in the Katherine Johnson Middle School project area that are listed on the Hazardous Waste and Substances Sites List as set forth in Government Code Section 65962.5.

**PUBLIC REVIEW:** A public review period for the Draft EIR will commence on September 15, 2022 and end on October 31, 2021, for interested individuals and public agencies to submit written comments on the document. Written comments on the Draft EIR must be submitted to the mailing address or email address listed below:

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Copies of the Public Review Draft Katherine Johnson Middle School Project, the Draft EIR, and documents incorporated by reference are available through the San Juan Unified School District office at the address listed above. Detailed information related to the project and this EIR are available online on the San Juan Unified School District’s website: <https://www.sanjuan.edu/Page/52583>.