## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

## AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

PROJECT TITLE: Blue Oak Academy Growth Project

SUBJECT: Notice of Intent to Adopt an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Visalia Unified School District (District), as Lead Agency for the Project, has prepared a Draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Blue Oak Academy Growth Project, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code [PRC], Division 13, Section 21000 et seq. [CEQA Statute] and the California Code of Regulations [CCR], Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Section 15000 et seq. [CEQA Guidelines]). An IS/MND is a detailed informational document that analyzes a proposed project's potentially significant environmental impacts, as well as identifying ways to minimize and mitigate such effects. The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments regarding the content of the Draft IS/MND.

PROJECT LOCATION: 28050 Road 148, Visalia, CA 93292

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Visalia Unified School District (District) proposes to construct a new administration and classroom building, expand the existing parking lot with student drop-off and other associated site development on the existing Blue Oak Academy campus on Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 127-050-013.

**POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:** Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15064(f)(2), and based on the environmental analysis in the Initial Study, the District has determined that a Mitigated Negative Declaration is the appropriate level of environmental documentation for the Project.

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:** The District will make this NOI and the IS/MND (pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15072) available for public review and comment from October 6, 2022 to November 11, 2022.

**RESPONSES AND COMMENTS:** Please indicate a contact person for your agency or organization and send your comments to:

CEQA Questions and Comments Visalia Unified School District Attention: Mr. Steven Pena 5000 West Cypress Avenue Visalia, California 93277 Email: spena01@vusd.org

Please include "Blue Oak Academy Growth" in the subject line

PUBLIC MEETING: District will hold a public meeting on November 15, 2022 at 7:00 PM available at:

All agencies, organizations, and interested parties are encouraged to attend.

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** The IS/MND is available for review at the following locations:

- District Administrative Office located at 5000 West Cypress Avenue, Visalia, CA 93277
- Online at https://www.vusd.org/Page/244
- Visalia Branch- Tulare County Library located at 200 West Oak Ave, Visalia, Ca. 93291