## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

This is to advise that the Fairfax School District (District) has prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Project identified below that is scheduled to be held at the Fairfax School District – Board of Trustees meeting on Thursday, **April 13, 2023**.

PLEASE BE ADVISED that the Fairfax School District – Board of Trustees will consider adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration at the Board's meeting to be held on Thursday, April 13, 2023. Presentations will be made at approximately 6:00 p.m. Action on items on the Board agenda will occur after the presentations. The meeting will be held at the Fairfax School District, 1500 South Fairfax Road, Bakersfield, CA 93307.

## **Project Name**

Site #5 Elementary School Project

## **Project Location**

The site is an undeveloped approximately 40-acre parcel (APN 173-191-01) located southwest of the intersection of South Oswell Street and Zephyr Lane, Bakersfield, California.

## **Project Description**

The Fairfax School District, as Lead Agency, is proposing a new elementary school on a 20-acre portion of the site (Project). Due to overcrowding at the existing elementary school to the east, the new school campus will serve the surrounding community and existing District student population with hours between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and will serve 700 students and 70 teachers at full build-out.

The site will include classrooms, administration offices, parking, and play areas, with an approximate area totaling 150,000 square feet (sq. ft.). Solar panels will be installed on building rooftops and/or used to create covered parking for staff and visitors. Construction of the Project is anticipated to take approximately 9-12 months.

The document and documents referenced in the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration are available for review at Fairfax School District, 1500 South Fairfax Road, Bakersfield, CA 93307, and Fairfax School District website: <a href="https://www.fairfax.k12.ca.us/">https://www.fairfax.k12.ca.us/</a>.

As mandated by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the public review period for this document was 30 days (CEQA Section 15073[b]). The public review period begins on February 27, 2023, and ends on March 28, 2023. For further information, please contact Jaymie Brauer at (661) 616-2600 or jaymie.brauer@qkinc.com.