Notice of Availability of Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report for Corona del Mar Middle and High School Sports Field(s) Project

Public Notice: Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code Section 21165 and the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act as amended to date, notice is hereby given that the Newport-Mesa Unified School District (District or N-MUSD), as Lead Agency, is circulating for public review a Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report (RDEIR) for the Corona del Mar Middle and High School Sports Field(s) Project.

Project Title: Corona del Mar Middle and High School Sports Field Project

Project Location: Corona del Mar Middle and High School (CdM MS/HS) is located at 2101 Eastbluff Drive (Assessor’s Parcel Map Number 440-092-06), City of Newport Beach, Orange County, California.

Project Description: The District is proposing to replace and reconfigure existing natural-turf field(s) and rubber track with synthetic-turf field(s) and rubber track, and install permanent nighttime lighting system on one or two fields depending on the options selected. No increase in bleacher seat capacity is proposed. The District is considering two options in providing these improvements.

Option A: Option A is the same as the originally proposed project with the exception that bleacher capacity is reduced to 664 seats (maintaining current capacity), and the visitor side bleachers have been eliminated. Option A includes a press box, public address (PA) system, nighttime lighting, an approximately 3,000-square-foot restroom/concession/ticket building. The 664-seat bleachers would be approximately 9 feet tall and 210 feet wide. Creation of the reconfigured sports field would disturb approximately 6 acres of the approximately 37-acre campus.

Option B: Option B includes the 664-seat bleachers and lighting, but eliminates the press box, PA system and the restroom/concession/ticket building. Under Option B, the proposed synthetic-turf field and rubber track would be very close to the current natural-turf field and rubber track’s existing location (Field 1). Option B includes a second lighted synthetic turf field (no track) (Field 2). Existing portable bleachers with a seating capacity of 200 would remain adjacent to the west side of the second field for spectators. These bleachers are currently used for games at this location, and no increase in bleacher seat capacity is proposed. Creation of the reconfigured sports fields under Option B would disturb approximately 9 acres of the approximately 37-acre campus.
Other minor physical changes identified for other parts of the CdM campus as plans are completed would include drainage and infrastructure improvements, signage, fencing, pathways, and placement of gates, etc.

**Public Review:** The RDEIR is available for a 45-day review period beginning **August 11, 2017**, and ending **September 25, 2017**. Copies of the RDEIR are available for review online (PDF file can be downloaded) at [www.nmusd.us/CdMField](http://www.nmusd.us/CdMField), and hard copies are available for viewing purposes only at the following locations:

- **Newport-Mesa Unified School District Education Center**
  - 2985 Bear Street, Building A
  - Costa Mesa, California 92626

- **Corona del Mar MS/HS Administrative Office**
  - 2101 Eastbluff Drive
  - Newport Beach, CA 92660

**Responses:** Written comments on the proposed project must be received no later than 5 PM on September 25, 2017. Send comments to the attention of Ara Zareczny, LEED/AP, Director, Facilities Development, Planning and Design, at N-MUSD, 2985 Bear Street, Building A, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. Comments may also be submitted via email to [mailto:feedback@nmusd.us](mailto:feedback@nmusd.us); include the name of the project in the subject heading.

**Project Information Meeting:** A project information meeting will be held at Corona del Mar High School, 2101 Eastbluff Drive, Lecture Hall, Newport Beach, CA 92660, on **September 13, 2017**, at 6 PM.

**Public Hearing:** A public hearing will be held at the District Education Center, 2985 Bear Street, Building A Roderick H. MacMillian Board Room, Costa Mesa, CA 92626, on **October 24, 2017**, at 6 PM.

For more information, please contact Ara Zareczny, LEED/AP, Director, Facilities Development, Planning and Design, at (714) 424-7522.