



CITY OF POMONA PLANNING DIVISION

NOTICE OF PREPARATION

FROM: City of Pomona
Development Services Department, Planning Division
505 S. Garey Ave.
Pomona, CA 91769

DATE: March 31, 2021

SUBJECT: Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Pomona Stables and Corporate Yard Facility Project, for the proposed relocation and reconstruction of the Pomona Stables and the completion of the Pomona Corporate Yard Facility improvements

PROJECT NAME: Pomona Stables and Corporate Yard Project

PROJECT APPLICANT: City of Pomona Water Resources Department

PROJECT ADDRESS: 148 North Huntington Street

PROJECT CITY/COUNTY: Pomona, County of Los Angeles

The City of Pomona (City), as the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), will prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed project. In accordance with Section 15082 of the CEQA Guidelines, the City is issuing 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:

1. Serve as the Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) 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 15082; and
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.

PROJECT LOCATION:

The project site is generally located in the northwestern portion of the City of Pomona, within the eastern portion of Los Angeles County. The L-shaped site, which consists of four parcels (APNs 8340-032-909, 8348-013-901, 8348-013-902, and 8348-013-903), is specifically located at 148 North Huntington Street and is bounded to the north by West Monterey Avenue and West Commercial Street, to the south by the Union Pacific Railroad tracks, to the west by North Hamilton Boulevard and North Huntington Street, and to the east by industrial uses fronting North White Avenue.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

In June 2017, the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Pomona Corporate Yard Facility Project (2017 IS/MND) was adopted, for the remediation and reconstruction of a new Corporate Yard Facility for the City of Pomona Water Resources Department (Department). Since adoption, some remediation at the project site has been completed, some buildings have been removed, and the City's Historic Preservation Commission and the City Council have asked the Department to redesign the project to relocate, rebuild, and reuse an existing Nationally Registered Historic Stables Structure. As such, this proposed project involves completion of the Pomona Corporate Yard Facility improvements, including construction of the Annex Lot, relocation, remediation, and reconstruction of the Water Yard, and reconstruction of the Pomona Stables.

EIR SCOPE:

The City has determined that the project may cause significant adverse environmental effects and potentially significant indirect, direct, and cumulative environmental effects. Therefore, an EIR will be prepared pursuant to the requirements of CEQA, Public Resources Code §21000 et seq., the State CEQA Guidelines, 14 CCR §15000 et seq. As described in the Initial Study, the project would result in potentially significant impacts to air quality, cultural resources, energy, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, noise, and tribal cultural resources. These environmental issue areas will be evaluated in detail in the EIR.

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RESPONSIBLE AGENCIES:

In accordance with Section 15082 of the CEQA Guidelines, this NOP is being sent to the Office of Planning and Research, Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, and other interested parties. Agencies are requested to review the project description provided in this NOP and provide comments on environmental issues related to their respective statutory responsibilities. If you are an authorized representative of a Responsible Agency, or a Trustee Agency, a transportation planning agency, agency with transportation facilities that may be affected, or a Federal agency involved in approving or funding the proposed project, the City of Pomona encourages you to express the views of your agency as to the scope and content of the environmental information that is relevant to your agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project. Your agency will need to use the Environmental Impact Report for this proposed project if it will consider a permit or other approval for the proposed project.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:

This Notice, and the Initial Study for this project are available for public review on the City's website at: <http://www.ci.pomona.ca.us/index.php/government/city-departments/community-development/planning>

Additionally, copies of the NOP and Initial Study are available for public review at: City of Pomona, Development Services Department, Planning Division, 505 S. Garey Ave., Pomona, CA 91769. Contact (909) 620-2090 to confirm office hours.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

The City requests your written comments on the scope of the analysis within the EIR during the 30-day review period, which begins on Wednesday, March 31, 2021, and ends on Friday, April 30, 2021. All comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the scoping comment period. Be sure to include the name, phone number, and address in your response. Please direct your comments or questions to:

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SCOPING MEETING:

The CEQA process encourages environmentally related comments and questions from the public throughout the planning process. Consistent with Section 21083.9 of the CEQA statute, a Public Scoping Meeting will be held to solicit environmentally related public comments on the scope and content of the EIR. This meeting will occur virtually, via Zoom, on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. The Public Scoping Meeting can be accessed at the following location:

When: Apr 20, 2021 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)
Topic: Public Scoping Meeting - Pomona Stables and Corporate Yard Facility Project

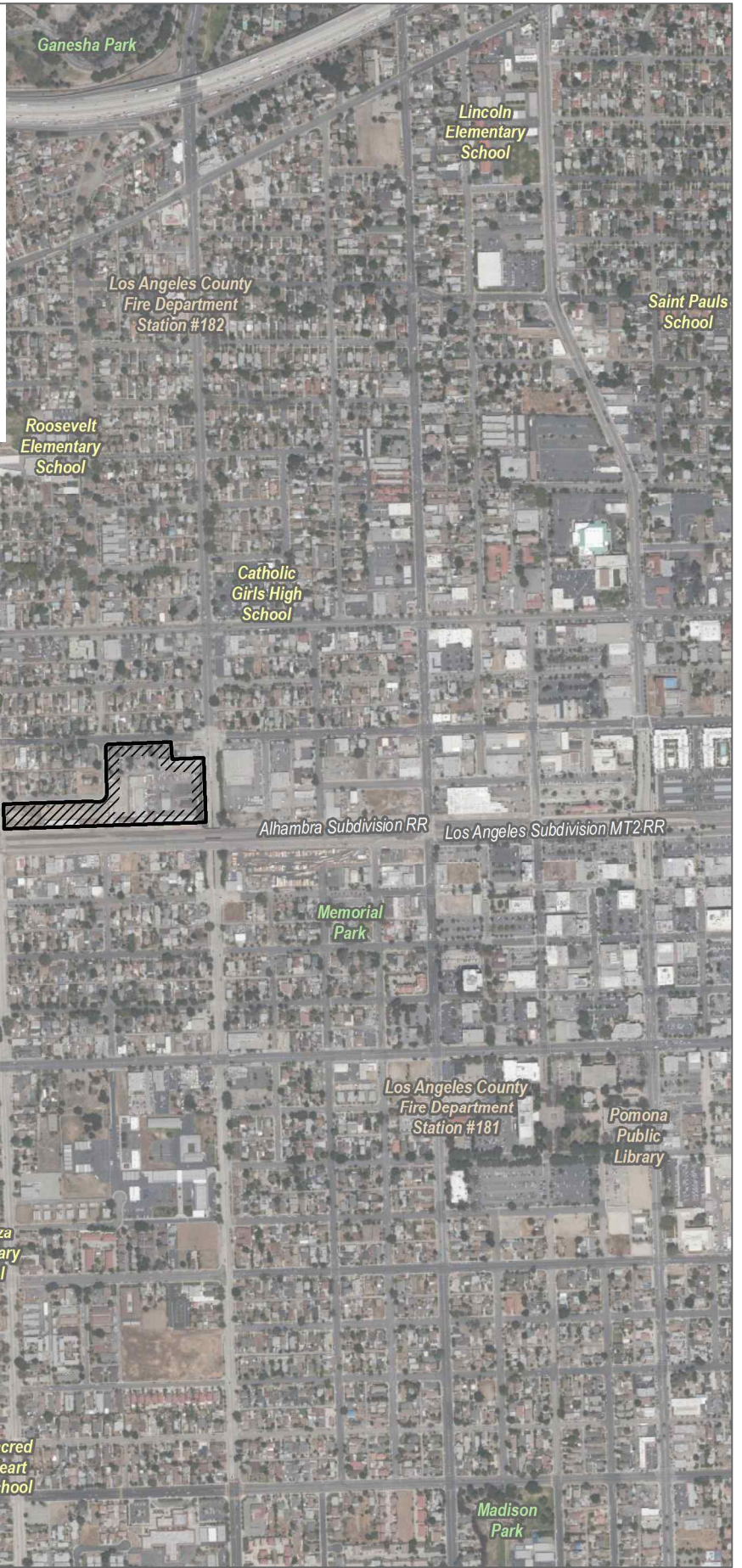
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 Project Boundary

SOURCE: Bing Aerials (accessed 2020), OpenStreetMap 2019



FIGURE 1
Project Location

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