## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT REVISED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FLOOD COUNTY PARK LANDSCAPE PLAN AUGUST 9, 2019

Notice is hereby given that the County of San Mateo has completed a Draft Revised Environmental Impact Report (Draft Revised EIR), pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), for the proposed Flood County Park Landscape Plan.

**Project Applicant:** 

San Mateo County Parks Department

**Project Location:** 

215 Bay Road, Menlo Park

**Project Description:** 

The proposed project entails a Landscape Plan for the long-term redevelopment of San Mateo County's Flood County Park in the city of Menlo Park. This plan is intended to optimize preservation of large oak and bay trees, increase offerings of sports, and provide a variety of active and passive uses for a range of user groups. It is anticipated that the proposed recreational facilities would be developed within ten years. The largest recreational facilities would be sited in the northern portion of the park, where the existing ballfield would be reconstructed and a soccer/lacrosse field would be installed at the eastern corner, replacing the existing pétanque court and a portion of the existing tennis courts. A promenade would run eastward across the center of the park from the parking lot. Picnic areas clustered in the southern half of the park would be reconstructed. The Parks Department would preserve existing adobe buildings on-site, with the exception of demolishing the adobe Restroom D located west of the existing tennis courts. The adobe administrative building in the southwest part of the park would be rehabilitated for seismic stability.

Lead Agency:

San Mateo County Parks Department

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Document Availability: The Draft Revised EIR can be viewed on the San Mateo County Parks

Department website at <a href="https://parks.smcgov.org/">https://parks.smcgov.org/</a>. A copy of the document is also available for review Monday through Thursday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the San Mateo County Parks Development, 455 County

Center – Fourth Floor, Redwood City.

**Public Review:** 

The Draft Revised EIR will be out for a 45-day public review period from August 9 until September 23, 2019. The County must receive all written comments regarding the adequacy of the EIR, addressed to **Sam Herzberg** at the address provided above, within this time period.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A PUBLIC MEETING TO COMMENT ON THE REVISED EIR. ATTENDEES WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE INPUT TO THE CONSULTANTS PREPARING THE DRAFT REVISED EIR.

The public meeting to receive public comments on the Draft Revised EIR will be held on:

Tuesday, September 17, 2019, from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Fair Oaks Community Center, 2600 Middlefield Road, Redwood City

\*\*\* Parking available \*\*\*

Environmental Effects: The Draft Revised EIR evaluates the following environmental issues in detail: Air Quality, Energy, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Noise, Transportation and Circulation, and Wildfire. Based on the analysis in the Draft Revised EIR, the Landscape Plan would have significant and unavoidable impacts related to traffic conditions at the intersection of Bay Road and Ringwood Avenue, as well as increased exposure to traffic noise. Other impacts studied in the Draft Revised EIR would be less than significant.

> Other environmental issues including Aesthetics, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, Hydrology and Water Quality, and Tribal Cultural Resources were adequately evaluated in the original Draft EIR published in September 2017 (as modified by the Final EIR posted on the County's website in May 2018). These topics were not revisited in the Draft Revised EIR.

**Alternatives:** 

Similar to the original EIR, the Draft EIR analyzes the following three alternatives to the proposed Landscape Plan: 1) No Project, 2) Reduced Athletic Programming, and 3) Multi-Use Field. Among the park redevelopment options, Alternative 2 (Reduced Athletic Programming) is identified as the environmentally superior alternative.

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Sam Herzberg, Senior Planner

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