

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF RECIRCULATED DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT - ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL COUGAR FIELD IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

NOTICE is hereby given that the Albany Unified School District has recirculated a draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) in conjunction with the California Environmental Quality Act for the proposed Albany High School Cougar Field Improvements Project. The project will be located at 1259 Brighton Avenue in the City of Albany, Alameda County and the adjacent field in the City of El Cerrito, Contra Costa County. The proposed project will result in minor demolition, followed by new facilities that include a synthetic field and night lighting.

Potential significant environmental effects discussed in the recirculated draft EIR include land use and planning considerations, visual resources, public services and utilities, traffic and circulation, and noise. Significant and unavoidable impacts identified in the EIR are short-term visual effects during construction, visual effects from Behrens Street/Cougar Field Emergency Driveway, visual effects from Victoria Street/Tahoe Place, visual effects from other locations during nighttime, cumulative effects upon visual resources, cumulative impact on traffic at the intersection of San Pablo Avenue/Carlson Boulevard, parking, the effect of football/soccer and other Cougar Field activities on noise levels at adjacent residences, the effect of noise from the PA system upon adjacent residences, the effect of noise from the baseball field upon adjacent residences, the effect of noise from the field house/concession stand/restroom upon adjacent residences, and cumulative effects upon the noise environment.

A copy of the recirculated draft EIR is available for public review at:

- District Office, 904 Talbot Ave, 2nd Floor, Albany
- Albany High School Office, 503 Key Route Blvd., Albany
- Albany Middle School Office, 1259 Brighton Ave, Albany
- City of Albany Library, 1247 Marin Ave, Albany
- City of Albany Community Development Dept., 1000 San Pablo Ave, Albany
- City of El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave, El Cerrito
- City of El Cerrito Community Development Dept., 1089D San Pablo Ave, El Cerrito

for a 45-day period from **April 16, 2007** to **June 1, 2007**. Upon review of the recirculated draft EIR, comments regarding any or all parts of the content of the revisions contained in the recirculated draft EIR may be made, in writing, to the District. The District requests that comments be limited to the revised portions of the recirculated draft EIR. Comments should be addressed to Dr. William Wong, Albany Unified School District, 904 Talbot Avenue, Albany, CA 94706, and received by the District no later than the end of the 45-day review period or **June 1, 2007** at 4:30 P.M. The Board of Trustees of the Albany Unified School District anticipates that it will consider taking action to certify the recirculated EIR at its Board meeting of **June 23, 2007**, at **Albany Middle School Gym** at 9:00 A.M. For further information, please call (510) 558-3766 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M.