

Memorandum

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO: State Clearinghouse
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 of the Public Resources Code

Project Title: Taylor Yard Park Development Final Mitigated Negative Declaration

State Clearinghouse Number: SCH#2004021121

Contact Person: Ron Saenz

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Project Location: City of Los Angeles

Project Description: The proposed project includes the development of a park on a 40-acre portion of the former Southern Pacific rail yard, referred to as Parcel D. The property is owned by the State. Approximately 20 acres would be operated by the State as a passive park, and the remaining 20 acres would be leased by the City of Los Angeles (City) for active park uses. The proposed project includes five main elements: active recreation; passive recreation; support facilities; parking and access; and streetscape improvements. Active recreation elements include soccer fields, baseball fields, a multi-purpose field, basketball courts, tennis courts, and children's play areas. Passive recreation elements include a natural parkland area with a natural drainage, picnicking areas, and landscaped open space. Parking would be available inside the park with easy access to all active recreation areas. Two new intersections would be created on San Fernando Road for park access. The streetscape improvements would provide a buffer between the park and San Fernando Road.

- The California Department of Parks and Recreation has approved the project, and has made the following determinations regarding the project:
- The California Department of Parks and Recreation has reviewed the final EIR, and certifies that it has been prepared in conformance with the requirements of the

California Environmental Quality Act, and in approving the project, has made the following determinations regarding the project:

- 1 The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
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- 2 A Negative Declaration was prepared pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
 A Final Environmental Impact Report has been completed in compliance with CEQA, and has been presented to the decision-making body of this Department for its independent review and consideration of the information contained in the Final EIR prior to approval of the project.
- 3 Mitigation measures were were not made conditions of project approval.
- 4 A Statement of Overriding Considerations was was not adopted for this project.
- 5 Findings were were not made on environmental effects of the project.

The Mitigated Negative Declaration and record of project approval may be examined at:

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