

Chapter 1. Introductory Comments on Final EIR

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT COMPLIANCE

This final program environmental impact report (EIR) for the City of Davis General Plan update and final project EIR for establishment of a new junior high school has been prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the guidelines for implementation of CEQA.

Section 15132 of the State CEQA Guidelines requires that a final EIR consist of the following:

- the draft EIR or a revision of the draft;
- comments and recommendations received on the draft EIR, either verbatim or in summary;
- a list of persons, organizations, and public agencies commenting on the draft EIR;
- the responses of the lead agency to significant environmental concerns raised in the review and consultation process, and;
- any other information added by the lead agency.

FORMAT AND ORGANIZATION OF THE FINAL EIR

This final EIR comprises four chapters that meet the requirements of the State CEQA Guidelines, as outlined above. Chapter 1 outlines the contents and organization of the final EIR. Chapter 2 describes the public review process conducted for the draft EIR and provides a list of persons, organizations, and public agencies that commented on the draft EIR. Chapter 3 contains copies of the written comments received on the draft EIR. Comment letters were then reviewed by the City of Davis (City), the Davis Joint Unified School District (DJUSD), and the EIR consultant, after which a response was prepared to address each comment.

The last chapter in this final EIR, Chapter 4, contains a set of modifications to the draft EIR. The changes in this chapter are the result of public review and are meant to provide clarification of the analyses and mitigation within the draft EIR. The changes in this chapter were not found to be substantial by the lead agency; therefore, no recirculation of the EIR is warranted.

In reference to Section 15132(a) of the State CEQA Guidelines above, the draft EIR has been incorporated by reference into the final EIR. A copy of the draft EIR is on file at the City of Davis Planning and Building Department, 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis, CA 95616.