



## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR A PRELIMINARY ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT – EQUIVALENT

**TO:** Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

**PROJECT TITLE:** Alexander Hamilton High School Comprehensive Modernization Project

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration and Notice of Public Comment Period for a Preliminary Environmental Assessment-Equivalent for the Comprehensive Modernization of Alexander Hamilton High School

**Notice is hereby given** that the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD or District), as Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) has prepared an Initial Study (IS) for the Alexander Hamilton High School Comprehensive Modernization Project (proposed Project), pursuant to the CEQA (Public Resources Code [PRC], Division 13, Section 21000 et seq. [CEQA Statutes] and the California Code of Regulations [CCR], Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Section 15000 et seq. [CEQA Guidelines]). Based on the conclusions of the IS, LAUSD determined that the proposed Project would have no significant adverse impacts on the environment and a Negative Declaration (ND) is appropriate. The District is providing public notice in compliance with CCR Title 14, Chapter 3, Sections 15072 and 15073, as amended. Notice is further given that a Preliminary Environmental Assessment – Equivalent (PEA-E) has been prepared for the proposed Project and is available for review.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The 20.7-acre Alexander Hamilton High School campus is located at 2955 S Robertson Boulevard, City of Los Angeles.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The proposed Project would address the most critical physical concerns of the buildings and grounds at the campus and, through building replacement, renovation, and modernization, would provide facilities that are safe, secure, and better aligned with the current instructional program. The proposed Project will include the demolition and removal of four permanent buildings/facilities and multiple portable units. Three new permanent buildings will be constructed, along with a central plant and one new lunch shelter to provide for adequate learning spaces and support areas. New athletic fields are also proposed as part of this project. Additional improvements include the modernization of two existing buildings; seismic retrofitting upgrades, access upgrades, and/or additional minor improvements to the other remaining buildings; upgrading and replacing aging utilities and infrastructure; providing new landscaping and hardscaping; and accessibility improvements consistent with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. The PEA-E presents the findings of the site assessment investigations performed for this proposed Project. The campus is not on any of the lists compiled under Government Code Section 65926.5.

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** The IS-ND and PEA-E are available electronically for public review at the locations listed below.

- Alexander Hamilton High School website (<https://hamiltonhs-laUSD-ca.schoolloop.com/>)
- LAUSD Office of Environmental Health and Safety website:
  - CEQA IS-ND (<http://achieve.lausd.net/ceqa>)
  - PEA-E (<http://achieve.lausd.net/siteassessment>)
- California State Clearinghouse (<https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/>)

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:** The IS-ND (pursuant to CCR, Title 14, Section 15073[a]) and PEA-E are available for public review and comment from October 15, 2020 to November 16, 2020.

**RESPONSES AND COMMENTS:** Please indicate a contact person for your agency or organization and send your comments to:

### CEQA and PEA-E Questions and Comments

Los Angeles Unified School District  
Office of Environmental Health and Safety  
Attention: Will Meade, Environmental Planning Specialist  
333 South Beaudry Avenue, 21<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90017  
Email: [CEQA-comments@lausd.net](mailto:CEQA-comments@lausd.net)

*Please include "Hamilton HS Comp Mod" in the subject line.*

**COMMENT MEETING:** LAUSD will hold a virtual public meeting on **October 28, 2020 at 6:00pm. Please connect via Zoom or by phone:**

- Zoom Online Meeting Link: <https://lausd.zoom.us/j/85821918112>; Zoom Online Webinar Meeting ID #: 858 2191 8112; Phone #: Dial In: +1-213-338-8477 ID # 858 2191 8112

All agencies, organizations, and interested parties are encouraged to attend.

**LAUSD BOARD HEARING:** Additional information concerning the proposed Project will be posted on the District's OEHS website: <http://achieve.lausd.net/ceqa>. The LAUSD Board of Education (Board) will consider this item during a scheduled meeting. Check the LAUSD Board website to find the meeting date and time at <http://laschoolboard.org>.