

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
NOTICE OF
DETERMINATION

(California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15094)

Public Resources Code Section 21152(a) requires local agencies to submit this information to the County Clerk. Guideline 15094(c) requires submittal of this notice to the State OPR if the project requires discretionary approval from a state agency. (State OPR, 1400 Tenth St, Rm 121 Sacramento, CA 95814). The filing of the notice starts a 30-day statute of limitations on court challenges to the approval of the project pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21167. Failure to file the notice results in the statute of limitations being extended to 180 days.		
LEAD CITY AGENCY AND ADDRESS (Bldg, Street, City, State) Los Angeles Department of City Planning 200 N. Spring Street, Room 667 Los Angeles, CA 90012		COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 – Hernandez
PROJECT TITLE (INCLUDING ITS COMMON NAME, IF ANY) CORNFIELD ARROYO SECO SPECIFIC PLAN (CASP) UPDATE	CASE NO. ENV-2021-2643-EIR; CPC-2016-2642-SP	
PROJECT APPLICANT CITY OF LOS ANGELES		
PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION The Project Area comprises the entire area within the boundaries of the existing Cornfield Arroyo Seco Specific Plan (CASP), which includes approximately 1,600 assessor's parcels and approximately 600 acres (1.0 square mile) of land. The Project Area is located to the northeast of Downtown Los Angeles and is generally bordered by the communities of Chinatown to the west, Lincoln Heights to the east, and Cypress Park to the north. Thoroughfares include North Figueroa Street at the north, North Spring Street and North Main Street at the south, and North Avenue 19 and North San Fernando Road near the center portion of the Project Area. The Los Angeles River, Arroyo Seco, Interstate 5, State Route 110, and Metro A Line (formally L Line and Gold Line) pass through the Project Area, which also includes the Los Angeles State Historic Park. The Proposed Project is an update of the existing CASP. The update includes new land use and zoning regulations, incentives, and boundaries, for the purpose of encouraging affordable, mixed-income, and permanent supportive housing production. The Proposed Project would strengthen the existing CASP's affordable housing requirements, including the recalibration of the CASP's existing incentive zoning system; establish a new Community Benefits Program that incentivizes new publicly-accessible open space and community facilities; include provisions that facilitate the production of new 100% affordable housing and permanent supportive housing projects on public land; increase the zoning capacity for housing in targeted areas; and adopt a zoning system based on the City's new modular Zoning Code. The Proposed Project includes a Resolution Certifying EIR and Adopting General Plan Amendments, including General Plan Land Use and Framework Elements; Zone Change Maps; and various ordinances, including Ordinances to Repeal the Existing CASP and Establish the Proposed CASP, Recission of the CASP Floor Area Payment Trust Fund Ordinance, Proposed Amendments to the New Zoning Code, and Cypress Park and Glassell Park Community Design Overlay (CDO) Amendment. The City Council's approved modifications to the Proposed Project are technical corrections to improve internal consistency, including with Chapter 1A (New Zoning Code) of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, and reflect Citywide changes that have occurred subsequent to the publication of the DEIR. The changes are consistent with the Proposed Project analyzed in the EIR and no new analysis is required. The modifications do not result in new or more severe significant impacts and the changes result in a minimal change to the Proposed Project described in the NOP and DEIR because the footprint/boundaries of the Proposed Project have not significantly changed, and the changes are limited to technical modifications that improve internal consistency.		
NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT IF OTHER THAN LEAD AGENCY		
CONTACT PERSON MICHAEL SIN	STATE CLEARING HOUSE NUMBER 2021040206	TELEPHONE NUMBER (213) 978-1345
This is to advise that on October 30, 2024 the City of Los Angeles has approved the above described project and has made the following determinations:		
SIGNIFICANT EFFECT	☒ Project will have a significant effect on the environment. ☐ Project will not have a significant effect on the environment.	
MITIGATION MEASURES	☒ Mitigation measures were made a condition of project approval. ☐ Mitigation measures were not made a condition of project approval.	
MITIGATION REPORTING / MONITORING	☒ A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for the project. ☐ A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was not adopted for the project.	
OVERRIDING CONSIDERATION	☒ Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted. ☐ Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted. ☐ Statement of Overriding Considerations was not required.	

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT	☒ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared and certified and findings were made for project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. The final Environmental Impact Report with comments and responses and record of project approval may be examined at the Office of the City Clerk.* ☐ An Environmental Impact Report was not prepared for the project.	
NEGATIVE DECLARATION	☐ A Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for the project and may be examined at the Office of the City Clerk.* ☒ A Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration was not prepared for the project.	
SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT	☐ A Sustainable Communities Environmental Assessment was prepared for the project and may be examined at the Office of the City Clerk.* ☒ A Sustainable Communities Environmental Assessment was not prepared for the project.	
SIGNATURE (Lead Agency). 		TITLE CITY PLANNER
		DATE OF PREPARATION 11/13/2024
SIGNATURE (Office of Planning and Research if applicable)		TITLE DATE
DISTRIBUTION: Part 1 - County Clerk Part 2 - Administrative Record Part 4 - Responsible State Agency (if applicable) Part 5 - Office of Planning and Research (if applicable)		

I hereby certify and attest this to be a true and correct copy of the original record on file in the office of the Department of City Planning of the City of Los Angeles designated as ENV-2021-2643- EIR

 Michael Sin 11/13/2024
Department Representative