

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: 2025051426

Project Title: Northwood High School Field Lighting Improvement Project

Lead Agency: Irvine Unified School District

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Project Location: Irvine Orange
City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The proposed project would consist of the installation of four new athletic field lights around the existing football field and installation of infrastructure for future PA system. The proposed project may also consist of trenching for the installation of an electrical line to provide electricity for the four athletic field lights, and is anticipated to disturb approximately 1,500 square feet. The proposed project would allow for events occurring off-campus to be held on the Northwood HS campus. Events would consist of sports games and practices, other school events, and non-school events. The proposed project would not require the demolition of any existing structures, and no new buildings would be constructed on the campus. Additionally, the proposed project would not increase the student capacity or enrollment at Northwood HS.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The environmental assessment presented in the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) identifies environmental impact that would be potentially significant unless mitigation measures (MM) are incorporated into the project for: Cultural Resources MM would include a qualified archaeologist on call during ground disturbing activities that would occur beneath artificial fill. They would also include specific guidelines if a cultural resources were discovered which would reduce the impact to less than significant. Geology and Soils MM would reduce impacts related to paleontology to less than significant. Tribal Cultural Resources MM would retain a Native American Monitor from or approved by the Gabrieleño Band of Mission Indians – Kizh Nation. They would also include specific guidelines if a tribal cultural resource were discovered which would reduce the impact to less than significant. The EIR analysis determined that all impacts from the proposed project would be less than significant after mitigation.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

Prior to preparation of the DEIR, the District issued a Notice of Preparation (NOP) on from May 28, 2025. The CEQA-mandated scoping period for this DEIR was between May 28, 2025, and June 26, 2025, during which interested agencies and the public could submit comments about the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project. During this time, the District received comment letters from the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC), and the Gabrieleño Band of Mission Indians–Kizh Nation. The Gabrieleño Band of Mission Indians–Kizh Nation requested government-to-government constitution with the District pursuant to Assembly Bill 52 (AB 52).

Project implementation would potentially cause controversy regarding the topics of aesthetics and noise.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

The following agencies would have ministerial review and approvals over the Proposed Project:

- Division of the State Architect (Approval of Construction Drawings)