

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE VAN BUSKIRK PARK REVITALIZATION PROJECT

Notice is hereby given that the City of Stockton has prepared an Initial Study (IS) evaluating the environmental effects and intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Van Buskirk Park Revitalization Project (Project). The IS/MND was prepared by the City of Stockton, which is the Lead Agency for the project, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines.

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project site is located at 734 Houston Avenue in the Conway neighborhood of Stockton in San Joaquin County, California (Assessor's Parcel Number 163-07-036).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Stockton proposes to develop a community park on a 192.71-acre former golf course. The expanded Van Buskirk Park would include additional outdoor basketball courts, a new bike and skate park with associated amenities, a community garden, a multi-purpose lawn area, a splash pad/water play area, an 18-hole disc golf course, a golf academy, indoor facilities, an event lawn with outdoor pavilion, a playground, pickleball courts, and a dog park, as well as walking paths, restoration areas, and parking.

HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE LISTS: The project site is included in the lists enumerated under Government Code Section 65962.5, including, but not limited to, lists of hazardous waste facilities, land designated as hazardous waste property, and hazardous waste disposal sites.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The IS/MND analyzes the potential environmental effects of the project in accordance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines. Based on this analysis, the IS/MND finds that with implementation of feasible mitigation measures, the proposed Project will not have a significant effect on the environment and, therefore, has prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: A 30-day public review period will begin on Thursday, June 26, 2025, and will end on Friday, July 25, 2025. Responses to this NOI and any questions or comments should be directed in writing to: Liszet Burgueño, Junior Engineer, CIP, Public Works Department, City of Stockton, 22 E. Weber Avenue, Room 301, Stockton, CA 95202; or Liszet.Burgueno@stocktonca.gov. Comments on the NOI must be received on or before **Friday, July 25, 2025**.

AVAILABILITY OF CEQA DOCUMENT: Copies of the Draft IS/MND are available for review at the City of Stockton Public Works Department offices and online at the homepage of the City website at https://www.stocktonca.gov/services/public_works/projects_studies/van_buskirk_revitalization.php

PUBLIC HEARINGS: The City of Stockton will conduct a City Council hearing to consider the IS/MND and the proposed project on September 9, 2025. Interested parties may check the City Council website to confirm the meeting date, time, and agenda and for information about how to join the meeting:
https://www.stocktonca.gov/government/city_council_agendas_meetings_minutes/index.php