



**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

<p>Notice is hereby given that the public agency named below has completed an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration of the following described project:</p>	
Public Agency:	<p>County of Riverside Facilities Management 3450 14th Street, 3rd Floor, Riverside, CA 92501</p>
Project Name:	<p>Riverside County Alan M. Crogan Youth Treatment and Education Center (YTEC) Expansion Project</p>
Project Location:	<p>The project site is located in the City of Riverside on Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 145-120-003. The project site is located at 10000 County Farm Road, west of Harrison Street, and approximately 0.85 mile north of State Route 91. The project site is bounded by residential uses to the west and north, additional institutional uses to the south and east.</p>
Project Description:	<p>The existing YTEC facility is approximately 60,838 square feet and comprises a 6-bed assessment unit, a 20-bed transitional housing component, and four, 20-single cell living units. The treatment and education center also includes group and individual therapy rooms, vocational classrooms and workshop space, nursing and medical facilities, school classrooms, multipurpose conference rooms, kitchen facilities, intake area with security room, visitation, maintenance and laundry facilities, administrative offices, and recreational space. The existing YTEC facility in Riverside would leverage the existing infrastructure, such as the housing, intake, kitchen, laundry, parking, and warehouse, to expand the facility by primarily including a new 14,506 square-foot educational, vocational training, and recreational program facility. More specifically, the expansion's scope of work will include a public lobby, a classroom, a dental office, an automotive vocational training shop, a welding vocational training lab, staff offices, an indoor recreational area, exterior landscape, hardscape, security, lighting, fencing, a fenced access road, and other site improvements. The improvements would enhance program services at the existing YTEC facility and would not add additional beds or increase the capacity of detained youth. Previously, the County received a conditional award from the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) in the amount of \$15,898,455 for the expansion of a youth rehabilitation facility. At the time of the application, the proposed project was to be located at the existing Indio Juvenile Hall. On November 21, 2016, the BSCC notified the Probation Department of the withdrawal of the County of Tulare from the Local Youthful Offender Rehabilitative Facility Construction Financing Program. Thus, the BSCC awarded the Probation Department a portion of the reverted funds to increase Riverside County's award by \$1,601,545, bringing the total award to the original request of \$17,500,000. During the design process, population trends and court commitments to the desert region YTEC detention facility were in decline and the initial scope in the grant application became unsupported by the need. Due to this, the Probation Department determined the best location would be to construct the new facility behind the existing YTEC facility in Riverside leveraging the existing infrastructure. The additional infrastructure would enhance the level of probation services to the surrounding community. The project would also involve utility alterations, including stormwater drainage improvements, electrical and septic upgrades to provide service to the new building. Construction is anticipated to start in the first quarter of 2026 and would be completed by the fourth quarter of 2027.</p>

This Initial Study was completed in accordance with the County's Guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act. This Initial Study was undertaken for the purpose of deciding whether the project may have a significant effect on the environment. On the basis of such Initial Study, the County Staff has concluded that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, and has, therefore, prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration. The Initial Study reflects the independent judgment of the County.

- The project site IS on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5.
- The project site IS NOT on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5.
- The proposed project IS considered a project of statewide, regional or areawide importance.
- The proposed project IS NOT considered a project of statewide, regional or areawide importance.
- The proposed project WILL affect highways or other facilities under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation.
- The proposed project WILL NOT affect highways or other facilities under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation.
- A scoping meeting WILL be held by the lead agency.
- A scoping meeting WILL NOT be held by the lead agency.

If the project meets the criteria requiring the scoping meeting, or if the agency voluntarily elects to hold such a meeting, the date, time and location of the scoping meeting are as follows: A scoping meeting will not be held for the project.

Copies of the Initial Study/Mitigated negative Declaration are on file and are availability for public review, located at:

County of Riverside	Arlington Public Library
Facilities Management-Mike Sullivan	9556 Magnolia Avenue
3450 14th Street, Suite 307	Riverside, CA 92503
Riverside, CA 92501 (951) 955-8009	
<a href="mailto:msullivan@rivco.org">msullivan@rivco.org</a>	

Available online at: <https://rivcofm.org/Environmental>

Authority address: **County of Riverside Facilities Management, 3450 14th Street, Riverside, CA 92501**

Comments will be received starting on **June 30, 2025** until the following **July 29, 2025**

Any person wishing to comment on this matter must submit such comments, in writing, to FM prior to this date. Comments of all Responsible Agencies are also requested.

The Board of Supervisors will consider the project and the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration. If the Board of Supervisors finds that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, it may adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration. This means that the Board of Supervisors may proceed to consider the project without the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report.