



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

During the NOP scoping period, the District received written comments from the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) and the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC). These comments informed the scope and focus of the environmental analysis presented in this EIR. No comments were received opposing the Proposed Project, and no substantial disagreement was identified regarding the overall purpose or need for the Proposed Project.

The primary issues raised during scoping relate to cultural resources and tribal cultural resources (TCRs), as reflected in the NAHC's comment letter. The NAHC emphasized the importance of compliance with applicable provisions of CEQA related to cultural resources and TCRs, including consultation requirements pursuant to Assembly Bill 52, protection of confidential information, and implementation of appropriate procedures in the event of inadvertent discoveries during ground-disturbing activities. These issues are addressed in this EIR consistent with PRC §§ 21074, 21084.1, and 21084.3, and applicable CEQA Guidelines.

DTSC's comments focused on regulatory considerations applicable to school construction projects, including demolition practices and soil management procedures. The project site is an existing developed school campus, the proposed demolition and construction activities constitute standard school operations, and the site is not listed on the Cortese List pursuant to Government Code § 65962.5 nor identified as a site of known hazardous materials release. Accordingly, hazardous materials did not emerge as an area of controversy during scoping and are not evaluated as a separate impact topic in this EIR. DTSC's comments are addressed through acknowledgment of applicable regulatory compliance pathways rather than expanded environmental analysis.

No other issues or areas of controversy were identified during the NOP scoping period.

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

No responsible or trustee agencies are included within this project.