



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

**Project:** Sunny Hills High School Field Improvements Project

**Lead Agency:** Fullerton Joint Union High School District

**Review Period:** March 30, 2026 to April 29, 2026 (30 days)

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Fullerton Joint Union High School District (District) has prepared an Initial Study (IS)/Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Sunny Hills High School Field Improvement Project (project) to address the potential environmental effects associated with implementation of the project. Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21165 and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15050, the District is the lead agency for the project. The purpose of this notice is to 1) serve as a Notice of Intent (NOI) to adopt an IS/MND and 2) advise and solicit comments regarding the content of the IS/MND.

**PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT:** The District invites you to comment on the IS/MND. The IS/MND will be available for a 30-day public review from **March 30, 2026**, to **April 29, 2026**. We ask that any person wishing to comment on the IS/MND provide written comments by the end of the public review period at 5:00 p.m., **April 29, 2026**.

Copies of the IS/MND are available for review at the following locations:

**Fullerton Joint Union High School District**  
**District Service Center**  
1027 South Leslie Street  
La Habra, California 90631

The document can also be accessed online at: <https://www.fjuhsd.org/publicnotices>

You may send comments by email or mail to the addresses below:

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**PROJECT LOCATION:** The Sunny Hills High School (SHHS) campus (campus) is located at 1801 Lancer Way (Assessor Parcel Numbers [APNs] 280-012-04, 280-013-02, and 280-013-03) in the City of Fullerton (City),

California (see Figure 1, *Regional Location*). The proposed project encompasses approximately 13.9 acres of the SHHS campus, which includes the existing football field and track, baseball field, and softball fields (project site) (see Figure 2, *Aerial Photograph*).

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** To accommodate the improvements at the track and field, the proposed project would remove existing landscape/artificial turf, concrete pavement, the curb surrounding the track and field, asphalt pavement north of the track, additional landscaping and curbs, and various track and field equipment including the scoreboard, bleachers, goal posts, discus cage, long jump areas, and shot put area. The proposed project would also remove the existing storage building, storm drain system and catch basin, and fencing and gates, and would relocate the batting cages on the site. Following demolition, the proposed project would install a synthetic track and synthetic turf field. A new long/triple jump area with a sand pit, sand catcher, and scoreboard would be located along the southern side of the track, while a high jump area and discus cage with a throw cage would be constructed along the northern side of the track. A shot put event area and softball batting cages would be installed north of the softball field. New sports striping and sports goals would be added, and the track and field would be shifted slightly east of its existing location. As part of these improvements, the proposed project would include installation of a subsurface stormwater infiltration system (See Figure 3, *Overall Site Plan*).

The District would install permanent bleachers at the practice track and field to accommodate SHHS students and spectators. The new bleachers would provide seating for approximately 1,843 people and would be approximately 24 feet in height, placed on new concrete pavement. The proposed project would also include a single-story, approximately 2,304-square-foot restroom and storage building that would be constructed west of the track and field, which would include five storage rooms; staff, boys', and girls' restrooms; and mechanical, electrical, and custodial rooms. Two exterior water fountains with a bottle refill station would also be provided. A new sewer line would be installed along the ingress driveway just south of the track and field, connecting to the water main in Lancer Way, and the driveway would be repaved after installation. Sewer cleanouts would also be installed along the proposed routing of the sewer line. Additionally, a new entry plaza would be constructed south of the track and field, consisting of ornamental fencing and gates, a concrete canopy, raised planters, monument signage, new paving, and retaining walls.

The proposed project would install field lighting at the baseball and softball fields. The proposed project would also install field lighting with a public address (PA) system and bleachers at the track and field. A total of 22 field lights would be installed. Eight lights would be placed around the varsity baseball field (four at 70 feet and four at 80 feet); three lights would be placed around the varsity softball field (two at 60 feet and one at 70 feet); six lights would be placed around the junior varsity baseball field (two at 70 feet and four at 80 feet); and five lights would be located around the track and field (four at 80 feet and one at 50 feet). The PA speakers at the track would be mounted approximately 20 feet above grade on four of the lights at the track and field. With the addition of field lights, the project would add evening practices between 3:30 PM and 8:00 PM for baseball, cross country, football, softball, and soccer. The District also intends to host periodic schoolwide assemblies at the track during regular school hours. No other operational changes are proposed: the project would not alter participant numbers, sports seasons, or spectator levels; would not introduce new practices, games, or events; and would not change start or dismissal times. Student enrollment and capacity would remain unchanged, and major spectator events such as varsity football would continue to occur at Buena Park, Fullerton Union, and La Habra High Schools.

To improve access and circulation, the project would construct a 20-foot-wide fire access lane connecting to the existing fire access route, providing emergency access along the northern portion of the varsity baseball field to the track and field. Concrete walkways would be installed around the perimeter of the track, and the concrete slab supporting the bleachers would also function as a pedestrian walkway, with ramps at both ends of the bleachers. Landscaping improvements would include a tree and various accent succulents,

shrubs, and vines at the plaza, as well as grass turf around the varsity baseball outfield, new fire lane, and shot-put area. Landscaping north and northwest of the track would be removed to accommodate the track's eastward shift, resulting in the removal of 6 small Spanish Fan Palm trees. The remaining area would be rehabilitated with new landscaping. New fencing would be installed around the track, at the varsity softball field, and around the varsity baseball field. The plaza would include ornamental fencing and gates, a raised planter, a low concrete wall, concrete walkways, and a retaining wall.

Construction of the proposed project would occur in a single phase, anticipated to begin in October 2026 and conclude in February 2027. All construction activities would comply with the City's noise standards in Chapter 15.90 of the Municipal Code, which exempts construction, repair, remodeling, or grading activities from noise level standards when conducted between 7:00 AM and 8:00 PM on any day except Sunday or a City-recognized holiday.

The discretionary actions and approvals required for project implementation are 1) project approval by the District, 2) the adoption of the MND, and 3) the adoption of the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** The District has prepared an IS to determine the proposed project's potential impact on the environment. The District has determined that the proposed project may have significant impacts to air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, and tribal cultural resources; however, by implementing the mitigation measures identified in the IS, the proposed project's impacts would be reduced to less-than-significant levels. Accordingly, the District intends to adopt an IS/MND.

**Applicant:** Fullerton Joint Union High School District  
**Lead Agency:** Fullerton Joint Union High School District  
**Consulting Firm:** PlaceWorks

**Date:** March 30, 2026

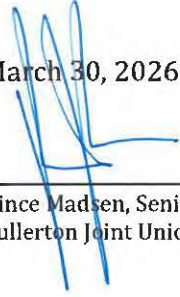
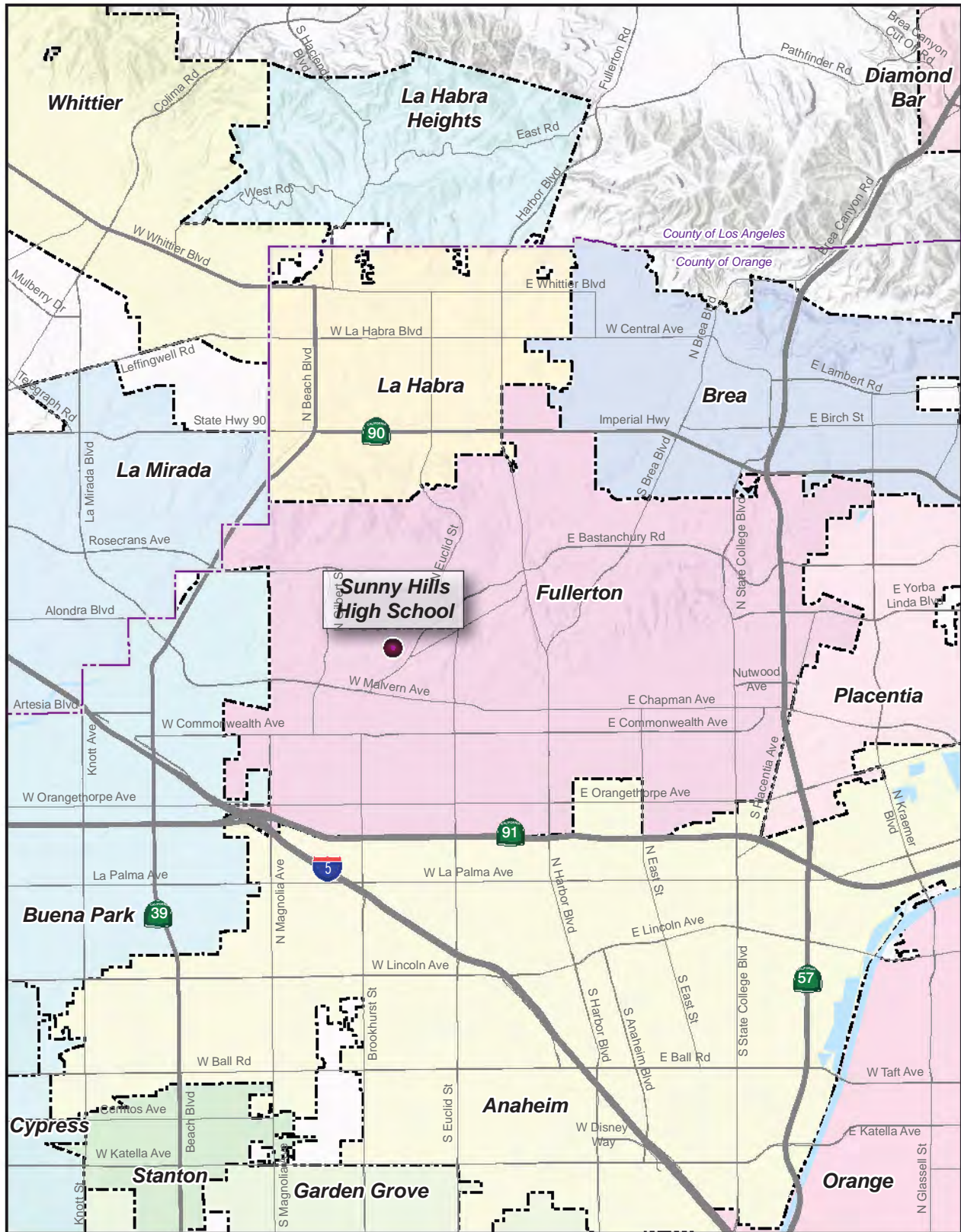
**Signature:**  \_\_\_\_\_  
Vince Madsen, Senior Director of Facilities, M&O and Transportation  
Fullerton Joint Union High School District

Figure 1 - Regional Location



--- City Boundary

--- County Boundary

Note: Unincorporated county areas are shown in white.

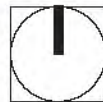
Source: Nearmap 2025.



Figure 2 - Aerial Photograph

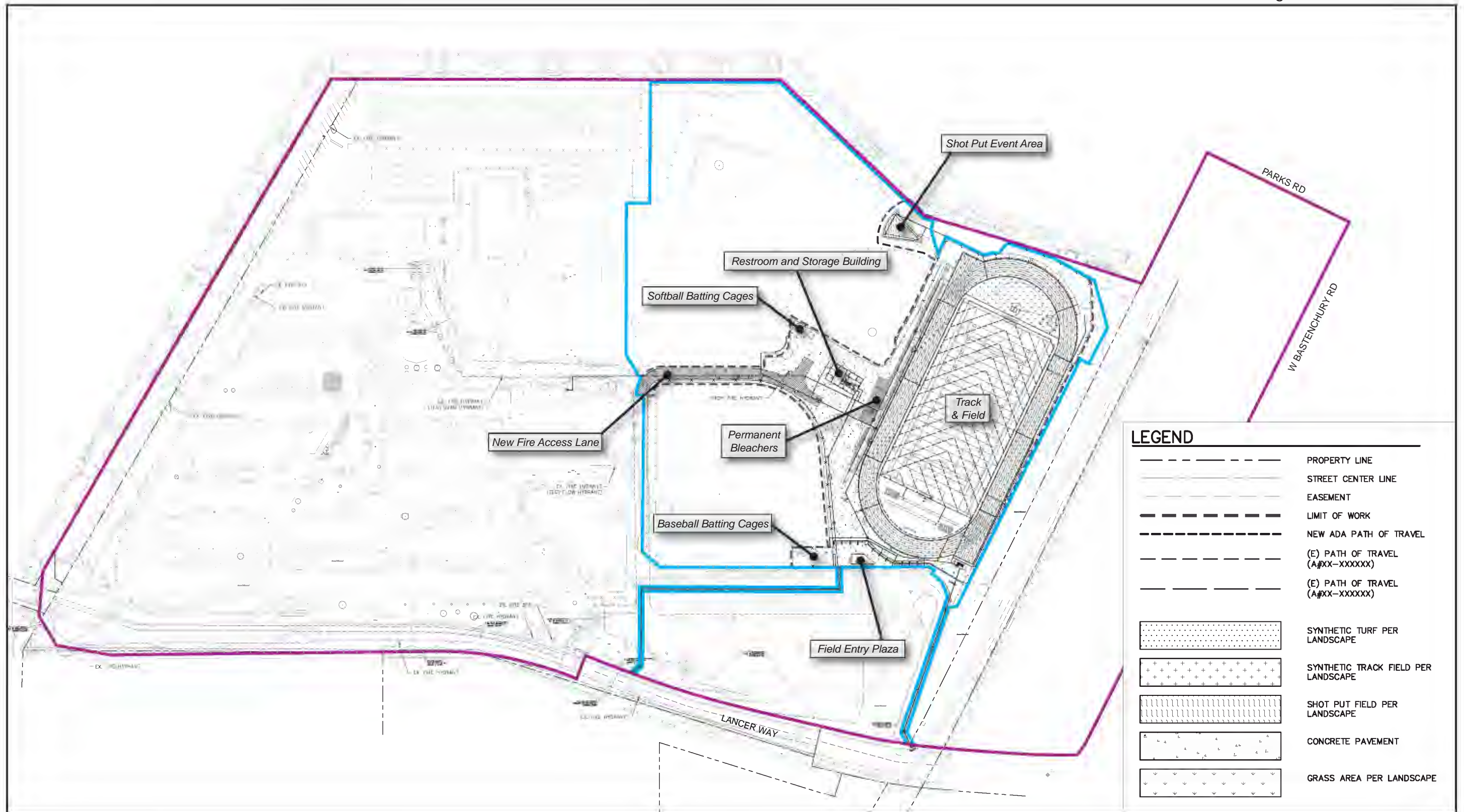


— Sunny Hills High School Boundary  
— Project Boundary



Source: Nearmap 2025.

Figure 3 - Overall Site Plan



— Sunny Hills High School Boundary  
 — Project Boundary

Source: Huckabee 2025.

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 Scale (Feet)

