



## Notice of Intent to Adopt Mitigated Negative Declaration

**Lead Agency:** Santa Clara Unified School District  
**Project Title:** Townsend Field Improvement Project  
**Project Location:** 1111 Bellomy Street, City of Santa Clara, 95051  
**Project Proponent:** Santa Clara Unified School District

The Santa Clara Unified School District (SCUSD) has prepared an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) which found that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment because of design features, best management practices, and mitigation measures that will be incorporated into the project will avoid potentially significant impacts. Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15072, SCUSD is providing this Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration to the public, responsible, and trustee agencies, the Santa Clara County Clerk, and the California State Clearinghouse. SCUSD will provide this Notice of Intent to the public by mailing it to the name and address to organizations and individuals who have requested such notice in writing and to local agencies with interest in the project.

### Project Description

The Townsend Field Improvement Project involves replacing the existing turf field with enlarged natural grass field, removal of existing concrete bleachers and replacing with new, metal bleachers. The existing track would be replaced with a new synthetic, all weather track. Replacing existing stadium lighting with new, energy efficient stadium lighting at Townsend Field and Elmer Johnson Field and installation of new lighting at the Buchser Middle School tennis courts. The Project also involves replacement of the press box, PA system, and bathroom building. Existing concession buildings would be demolished. Construction is expected to take place over the course of one year beginning in December 2026. SCUSD's standard design and construction measures and mitigation measures would be implemented. Construction hours would generally be from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9:00 a.m. on Saturdays. Work on Sundays and on holidays would only occur to maintain project schedule.

**Public Review Period:** A 30-day public review period for the IS/MND will commence on May 18, 2026 and continue through June 16, 2026. Interested individuals and public agencies may submit written comments on the draft IS/MND that must be received by SCUSD no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 16, 2026.

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Document Availability: Copies of the IS/MND are available for review at the SCUSD Facility Development and Planning Office at 3350 Brookdale Drive, Portable 1, Santa Clara, CA 95051.

An electronic version of the IS/MND is available for download on the SCUSD website at:

<https://www.santaclarausd.org/about-us/departments/facility-development-and-planning/construction-projects/buchser-townsend-field-improvements>