



Sacred Heart Schools
Academic Arts Building

**INITIAL STUDY/
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program



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MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM

Section 21081.6 of the Public Resources Code requires a Lead Agency to adopt a “reporting or monitoring program for the changes made to the project or conditions of project approval, adopted in order to mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment” (Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program [MMRP], §15097 of the *CEQA Guidelines* provides additional direction on mitigation monitoring or reporting). The Town of Atherton is the Lead Agency for the Sacred Heart Schools Academic Building Project and is therefore responsible for enforcing and monitoring most of the mitigation measures in this mitigation monitoring program.

The IS/MND was prepared to address the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project. Where appropriate, this document identified project design features or recommended mitigation measures to avoid or to mitigate identified potential impacts to a level where no significant impact on the environment would occur. This MMRP is designed to monitor implementation of the mitigation measures identified for the project in the IS/MND.

The MMRP for the Sacred Heart Schools Academic Building Project will be in place throughout all phases of the project. The project sponsor, Sacred Heart Schools, will also be responsible for implementing mitigation measures unless otherwise noted. The Town’s existing planning, engineering, review and inspection processes will be used as the basic foundation for the MMRP procedures and will also serve to provide the documentation for the reporting program.

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Environmental Impacts	Mitigation Measures Proposed as Part of the Project	Time Frame/Monitoring Milestone	Implementing and Responsible Monitoring Party
AIR QUALITY			
<p>Impact AQ-1: The project would generate short-term emissions during construction that would potentially violate air quality standards or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violations.</p>	<p>Mitigation Measure AQ-1: Construction-related activities associated with the project would comply with all applicable BAAQMD regulations, including Basic Construction Mitigation Measures from Table 8-1 of the BAAQMD CEQA Air Quality Guidelines. These basic construction mitigation measures include the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All exposed surfaces (e.g., parking areas, staging areas, soil piles, graded areas, and unpaved access roads) shall be watered two times per day. 2. All haul trucks transporting soil, sand, or other loose material off-site shall be covered. 3. All visible mud or dirt track-out onto adjacent public roads shall be removed using wet power vacuum street sweepers at least once per day. The use of dry power sweeping is prohibited. 4. All vehicle speeds on unpaved roads shall be limited to 15 mph. 5. Idling times shall be minimized either by shutting equipment off when not in use or reducing the maximum idling time to 5 minutes (as required by the California airborne toxics control measure Title 13, Section 2485 of California Code of Regulations [CCR]). Clear signage shall be provided for construction workers at all access points. 6. All construction equipment shall be maintained and properly tuned in accordance with manufacturers' specifications. All equipment shall be checked by a certified mechanic and determined to be running in proper condition prior to operation. 7. A publicly visible sign shall be posted with the telephone number and person to contact at the lead agency regarding dust complaints. This person shall respond and take corrective action within 48 hours. The BAAQMD's phone number shall also be visible to ensure compliance with applicable regulations. 	<p>During construction</p>	<p>Construction contractor, Sacred Heart Schools, Town of Atherton</p>

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BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES			
<p>Impact BIO-1: The project would remove trees, which may be used as nesting habitat.</p>	<p>Mitigation Measure BIO-1: In order to reduce impacts to nesting birds, the following measures shall be implemented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any active raptor or other nests in the vicinity of proposed construction shall be avoided until young birds are able to leave the nest (i.e., fledged) and forage on their own. Avoidance may be accomplished either by scheduling grading and tree removal during the non-nesting period (September through February), or if this is not feasible, by conducting a pre-construction survey for raptor nests. Provisions of the pre-construction survey and nest avoidance, if necessary, shall include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. If grading is scheduled during the active nesting period (March through August), a qualified wildlife biologist shall conduct a pre-construction nesting survey no more than 14 days prior to initiation of grading to provide confirmation on presence or absence of active nests in the vicinity. b. If active nests are encountered, species-specific measures shall be prepared by a qualified biologist in consultation with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) and implemented to prevent nest abandonment. At a minimum, grading in the vicinity of the nest shall be deferred until the young birds have fledged. A nest-setback zone of at least 300 feet shall be established for raptors and 100 feet for other birds within which all construction-related disturbances shall be prohibited. The perimeter of the nest-setback zone shall be fenced or adequately demarcated (e.g. high visibility fencing, staking or flagging), and construction personnel restricted from the area. c. If permanent avoidance of the nest is not feasible, impacts shall be minimized by prohibiting disturbance within the nest-setback zone until a qualified biologist verifies that the birds have either a) not begun egg-laying and incubation, or b) that the juveniles from the nest are foraging independently and capable of independent survival at an earlier date. A survey report by the qualified biologist verifying that the young have fledged shall be submitted to the Town of Atherton and CDFW prior to initiation of grading in the nest-setback zone. 	<p>Weekly monitoring during construction. Monthly reports, during construction</p>	<p>Construction contractor, Sacred Heart Schools, Town of Atherton</p>

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<p>Impact BIO-2: The project would remove trees, including one heritage tree, which is protected by the Town of Atherton Heritage Tree Ordinance.</p>	<p>Mitigation Measure BIO 2: In conformance with Chapter 8.10 of the Atherton Municipal Code, the Heritage tree would be replaced at a ratio of 2:1. While the removal of 32 other trees would not be a significant impact, in order to avoid damage and preserve the remaining trees on the site, measures as outlined in the April 14, 2017 Arborist Report and the Town of Atherton Tree Preservation Guidelines shall be followed.</p>	<p>Prior to issuance of grading and buildings permits, and during construction.</p>	<p>Town of Atherton, Sacred Heart Schools, Construction contractor</p>
CULTURAL RESOURCES			
<p>Impact CUL-1: The project would involve earthmoving activities and excavation and would potentially result in substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to §15064.5.</p>	<p>Mitigation Measure CUL-1: In order to reduce impacts on archaeological resources, the following measure shall be implemented: In the event that subsurface archaeological resources are encountered during the course of grading and/or excavation, all development shall temporarily cease within 25 feet of the find until the Town’s Planning Department is contacted and a qualified archaeologist assesses the resources and makes recommendations for their disposition. Construction activities could continue in areas more than 25 feet away. If any findings are determined to be significant by the archeologist, they shall be subject to scientific analysis; duration/disposition of archaeological specimens as agreed to by the Native American community, land owner, and the Town. This report would be filed with the Northwest Information Center.</p>	<p>During earthmoving, excavation, and construction activities.</p>	<p>Construction contractor, Sacred Heart Schools, Town of Atherton</p>
<p>Impact CUL-2: The project would involve earthmoving activities and excavation and would potentially impacts on previously unknown human remains.</p>	<p>Mitigation Measure CUL-2: In order to reduce impacts on human remains, the following measure shall be implemented: If human remains are encountered, excavation or disturbance of the location shall be halted in the vicinity of the remains, and the county coroner contacted. If the coroner determines the remains are Native American, the coroner shall contact the Native American Heritage Commission. The Native American Heritage Commission shall identify the person or persons believed to be most likely descended from the deceased Native American. The most likely descendent shall make recommendations regarding the treatment of the remains with appropriate dignity.</p>	<p>During earthmoving, excavation, and construction activities.</p>	<p>Construction contractor, Sacred Heart Schools, Town of Atherton</p>

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GEOLOGY AND SOILS			
<p>Impact GEO-1: The project would construct a new building which would potentially expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving strong seismic ground shaking.</p>	<p>Mitigation Measure GEO-1: The Geotechnical Report prepared for the project shall include detailed information on geologic site conditions and recommendations for design measures. These recommendations and measures shall be incorporated by SHS into building plans and confirmed by the Town.</p>	<p>Prior to issuance of grading and buildings permits.</p>	<p>Town of Atherton</p>
TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC			
<p>Impact TRAF-1: The project would generate construction truck traffic, which could increase congestion in the area.</p>	<p>Mitigation Measure TRAF-1: In order to reduce traffic-related impacts, the following measure shall be implemented: SHS shall develop and get approval from the Town of Atherton Public Works Department for a construction/demolition traffic management plan before inception of any work. Project truck traffic or oversize vehicle activity shall be limited to the hours between 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. The Town of Atherton Public Works Department and the school shall document pavement conditions on Park Lane and Elena Avenue before and after the project. SHS shall be responsible for repair of any pavement degradation due to project truck activity.</p>	<p>Prior to construction, and during earthmoving, excavation, and construction activities.</p>	<p>Town of Atherton Sacred Heart Schools, Construction contractor</p>
<p><i>Source: Sacred Heart Schools Academic Building Project IS/MND, 2017.</i></p>			