NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

PROJECT TITLE: Transfer of Territory from Glendale Unified School District to La Cañada Unified School District

LEAD AGENCY: Los Angeles County Office of Education

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PROJECT LOCATION: The proposed transfer territory is located entirely within the City of La Cañada Flintridge boundaries. It is bounded by the La Cañada Flintridge city boundary to the west, north and south; and by the La Cañada Flintridge city boundary and Rosebank Drive to the east. The westerly boundary generally follows Pickens Canyon and the Pickens Canyon flood control channel. The proposed transfer territory is approximately 380 acres in size and contains 829 parcels. It is sometimes referred to as the Sagebrush section of the City of La Cañada Flintridge.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed project involves transferring territory from Glendale USD to La Cañada USD. The proposed transfer territory is currently assigned to Mountain Avenue Elementary School, Rosemont Middle School, and Crescenta Valley High School in the Glendale USD. With the transfer of territory, the project area would be assigned to Palm Crest Elementary School and La Cañada High School in the La Cañada USD. According to the Glendale USD Office of Public Information, 356 students within the Project Area were enrolled in Glendale USD schools during the 2016-2017 school year. Of the 356 students, 186 attended Glendale USD elementary schools, 42 attended Glendale USD middle schools, 121 attended Glendale USD high schools, and 7 attended other programs within the school district. Within the proposed transfer territory, 165 students currently attend La Cañada USD schools on permits, of which 102 students are enrolled in TK-6 and 63 students are enrolled in grades 7-12. With implementation of the proposed project, all TK-12 students within the proposed transfer territory would be assigned to La Cañada USD schools, primarily Palm Crest Elementary School and La Cañada High School.

INITIAL STUDY/NEGATIVE DECLARATION: In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) has been prepared for the proposed project. Based on the Initial Study, it has been determined that the proposed project will not have significant adverse impacts on the environment with the implementation of mitigation measures, and the proposed project meets the criteria for a Mitigated Negative Declaration under CEQA.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: August 30, 2018 to September 18, 2018

The public and all interested parties are hereby invited to review the IS/MND and submit written comments. Comments received during the public review period will be considered by the Los Angeles County Committee. The IS/MND can be accessed at: www.lacoe.edu/business-services/documents-forms. Comments can be submitted by mail to the following address or by email to deegan_allison@lacoe.edu no later than September 18, 2018.

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PUBLIC HEARING: The Los Angeles County Committee will conduct a public hearing to receive oral comments and for considering adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration at a regularly scheduled meeting on October 3, 2018.