

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
SANTA CLARA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
PETERSON LAURELWOOD MASTER PLAN
FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NO. 2022060599**

DATE: March 10, 2023

PROJECT NAME: Santa Clara Unified School District (SCUSD) Peterson Middle School and the New Laurelwood Elementary School Master Plan.

PUBLIC HEARING DATE: The Santa Clara Unified School District will hold a public hearing on Thursday, March 23, 2023, at 5:00 PM to consider the certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), and adoption of Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations for the Peterson Laurelwood Master Plan (Proposed Master Plan).

PROJECT LOCATION: The Proposed Master Plan Area (“Plan Area”) is located in northwest Santa Clara County, approximately 4.75 miles south of the San Francisco Bay and approximately one-half mile north of Apple Park. The Plan Area includes the Patrick Henry Campus, located at 1095 Dunford Way, the Santa Clara Unified School District Farm (“District Farm”), and portions of Peterson Middle School at 1380 Rosalia Avenue, encapsulating 71.5 acres all within the City of Sunnyvale. Additionally, the Plan Area includes the existing 10.4-acre Laurelwood Elementary School, located at 955 Teal Drive in the City of Santa Clara. In total, the Plan Area encapsulates 81.9 acres in the City of Sunnyvale and the City of Santa Clara.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Peterson Laurelwood Master Plan consists of the entire Patrick Henry Campus, the Peterson Middle School Site, and the future use of the existing Laurelwood Elementary School Site.

The Proposed Master Plan includes the construction of the new Laurelwood Elementary School on the existing Patrick Henry Campus, Peterson multiuse fields, relocated District storage area, improvements to Peterson Middle School including new fields and a fieldhouse; relocation of the existing tennis courts; new vehicular and pedestrian access; expanded administration and media center, a new environmental education center, outdoor learning areas and amphitheater. Program improvements will be made to the District Farm and compost areas. It also provides an opportunity for an additional school to be built on the property. The Proposed Master Plan anticipates a maximum student capacity of 3,375 students.

Note that the capacity of 3,375 students at full build out also includes the capacity of the existing Laurelwood School (754 student capacity based on elementary occupancy). The future use of the Laurelwood site has not been determined at this time and will be subject to a supplemental CEQA process and document, including stakeholder engagement, when the proposed use is determined. For the purposes of this process, the existing Laurelwood site will be used for District administrative uses including storage.

The primary objectives of the Proposed Master Plan are to provide a road map for the SCUSD that:

- Establishes a process for collecting the valuable input from the community including District staff, School site staff, parents, neighbors, students and consultants.
- Assesses, defines, and prioritizes current and future facility needs at each site.
- Provides a plan for the expenditure of Measure BB funds (Laurelwood School and Peterson Fields) and develops a roadmap for future funded projects.
- Develops cost estimates and plans needed to acquire future funding for the identified facility priorities.
- Provides project phasing plans to ensure the facility priorities are addressed. This information will be used to develop detailed design and construction plans as funds become available.
- Establishes a “living” document that will be regularly updated with progress made so it can continue to reflect “current” conditions, providing an accurate picture of remaining needs.
- Aligns the future development of the campuses with the stated Core Values in SCUSD’s Vision 2035:
 - Students First
 - Excellence Through Continuous Improvement
 - Integrity and Ethical Stewardship
 - Connected Families and Collaborative Community
 - Equity and Social Justice
 - Empathy and Respect

FINDINGS: Based on the analysis in the Environmental Impact Report (EIR), the Master Plan would result in significant impacts (project and cumulative) in the following categories:

- Biological Resources (habitat modifications; and migratory birds)
- Cultural Resources (buried prehistoric artifacts) and Tribal Resources (unknown tribal cultural resources)
- **Noise (construction related noise) and Vibration (construction related vibration)**

Many of these impacts can be reduced to less than significant levels with the incorporation of mitigation measures identified in the EIR. However, those impacts listed in **bold** were found to be significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated.

EIR DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The EIR and all documents referenced in the EIR are available for public review. If you wish to review a copy of the EIR or the documents referenced in the EIR, you may do so at Santa Clara Unified School District, Facility Development and Planning website at <https://www.santaclarausd.org/PetersonLaurelwoodmasterplan>. A physical copy of the EIR will also be available at the School District’s Facility Development and Planning

Department at 3350 Brookdale Drive, Portable P1, Santa Clara, CA 95050. For more information about this EIR, please visit <https://www.santaclarausd.org/PetersonLaurelwoodmasterplan>.

REVIEW AND CERTIFICATION OF THE FEIR: Certification of the FEIR will serve as the basis for decisions related to the Proposed Master Plan and does not represent a commitment to any specific development project.

Consistent with CEQA (Public Resource Code Section 21092.5), responses to agency comments are being forwarded to each commenting agency prior to certification of the EIR. In addition, responses are also being distributed to all commenters via email. The EIR can be downloaded at: <https://www.santaclarausd.org/PetersonLaurelwoodmasterplan>.

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