

SECTION G: CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on facility capacities and conditions, estimates from enrollment projections, and proposed residential development, the Folsom Cordova Unified School District will need to continue to upgrade existing facilities and provide additional school facilities to house its future enrollments.

The cost of new school facilities will require the District to pursue several funding strategies. These strategies may include developer fees, developer mitigation agreements, Mello-Roos community facilities districts, general obligation bonds, and the State School Facilities Program.

The following steps are recommended for the Folsom Cordova Unified School District to meet its facility needs:

- Continue to follow the State School Facility Program Review Sub-committee hearings to keep up-to-date on the potential changes to the School Facility Program and the availability of future state funding for modernization and construction projects.
- Review attendance boundaries throughout the District to provide balanced enrollments at school sites.
- Continue to work on the planning and completion of school projects associated with Measure N/P at the existing schools in the City of Rancho Cordova area.
- Submit modernization eligibility applications to the State for Folsom Hills, Sutter Middle and Theodore Judah.
- Apply for modernization eligibility at Blanche Sprentz once enrollment increases to 386.
- Secure a local funding source for the District's matching share of the Folsom area modernization projects to access State funds.
- Determine a funding source to provide funding for school and technology upgrades at existing Folsom school sites which are not eligible for State modernization funding.

- Design modernization plans for SFP eligible modernization projects and apply for modernization funding once available.
- Create a School Facilities Improvement District No. 5. SFID 5 would overlay SFID 2 encompassing only the area in the City of Folsom north of Highway 50.
- Consider placing a general obligation bond on the November 2014 ballot for SFID 5.
- Continue to meet with developers and local, county and state agencies concerning the residential development timelines in the area south of Highway 50.
- Continue to meet and plan for the future elementary schools and the future Mather/Morrison 7-12th grade school in SFID 3.
- Continue to participate in the State School Facilities Program for new construction funding of schools in SFID 3.
- Continue to participate in all stages of development and planning in order to acquire land and coordinate the provision of school facilities with the timing of development.
- Review the Master Plan every two years to determine if projected development and enrollment trends are accurate. Should future trends deviate from those identified in the study, adjustments regarding future school facility needs and costs may be required.

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