VICTOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

CHALLENGER SCHOOL OF SPORTS AND FITNESS TRACK AND FIELD PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Victor Elementary School District (VESD), as Lead Agency, has prepared an Initial Study (IS) and intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the proposed Challenger School of Sports and Fitness Track and Field Project (project), pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code [PRC], Division 13, Section 21000 et seq. [CEQA Statute] and the California Code of Regulations [CCR], Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Section 15000 et seq. [CEQA Guidelines]). An IS/MND is a detailed informational document that analyzes the proposed project's potentially significant environmental impacts and identifies ways to minimize and mitigate such effects. The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments regarding the content of the Draft IS/MND.

PROJECT LOCATION: The approximately 11.6-acre project site is located on the southern portion of the Challenger School of Sports and Fitness at 14777 Hopland Street (San Bernardino County Assessor's Parcel Number 0395-244-17) within the City of Victorville (see Figure 1).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: VESD proposes a track and field facility at the Challenger School of Sports and Fitness (Challenger School). The proposed facility would be oriented north-south and constructed south of the existing school building within the western portion of the school campus and on an undeveloped, VESD-owned lot south of the school. The proposed track and field facility would include a lighted, rubberized track and natural turf field with bleacher seating for approximately 2,000 spectators. Appurtenant improvements would include restroom and concessions facilities. A new parking lot would also be developed south of the existing school parking lot. See Figure 2 for the project site plan. The proposed sports complex would serve the existing physical education and sports programs at the school. When not used by the school, the new facility would be available for other VESD-sponsored events and by the Victorville community, pursuant to the Civic Center Act and District policies.

POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: Based on the Initial Study findings, the project would have a less than significant impact on the following environmental categories listed in Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines when proposed mitigation measures are implemented:

- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Geology and Soils
- Public Services
- Recreation
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Mandatory Findings of Significance

The project would have no impact or a less than significant impact on the remainder of the environmental categories listed in Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines. Accordingly, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15064(f)(2), and based on the environmental analysis in the Initial Study, PUSD has determined that a Mitigated Negative Declaration is the appropriate level of environmental documentation for the project.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: Thursday, January 22, 2026 until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 11, 2026

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The Draft IS/MND is available for review at the following locations:

- VESD Office at 12219 2nd Avenue, Victorville, CA 92395
- VESD website: https://www.vesd.net/departments/facilities, under "Notices"

SUBMITTING COMMENTS: If you would like to comment on the Draft IS/MND, please send written comments by **5:00 p.m. on February 9, 2026** to:

Joe Pont
Director of Facilities, Transportation, Maintenance & Grounds
jpont@vesd.net
Please include "Challenger Track and Field" in the subject line

MEETING TO ADOPT IS/MND: The Board of Trustees will consider adoption of the IS/MND and approval of the project at its meeting on **Wednesday, March 11, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.** to be held at the Victor Elementary School District's Board Room at 12219 2nd Avenue, Victorville, CA 92395.

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Project Site

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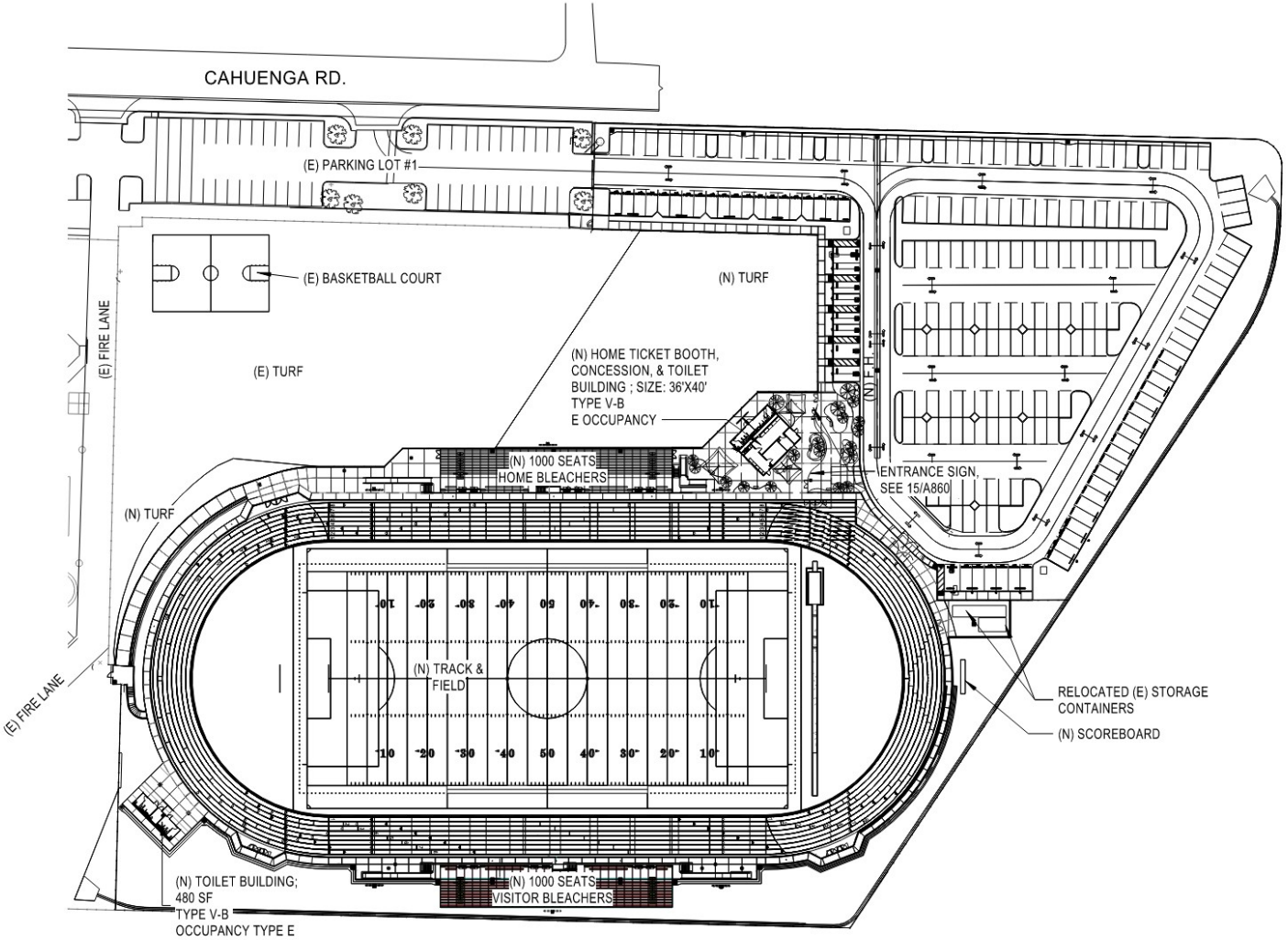
Source: Esri, San Bernardino County, 2025 Nearmap Imagery

Site Vicinity

Figure 1



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Conceptual Site Plan

Figure 2