

Clovis Unified School District
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
Fowler-McKinley Elementary School Project
(State Clearinghouse No. 2018031026)

Project Title: Fowler-McKinley Elementary School Project

Lead Agency and Project Sponsor: Clovis Unified School District

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Project Location and Description: The proposed project includes the acquisition of a 22-acre school site and the construction and operation of an elementary school on the site. The site is located on the northeast corner of Fowler Avenue and the McKinley Avenue alignment in Fresno County, within the City of Fresno sphere of influence.


The elementary school would serve up to 750 students in grades TK-6. The campus would have approximately 28 classrooms, administrative offices, a multi-purpose building, hardcourt areas and athletic fields that could potentially be lighted. The school would have approximately fifty employees, including administrators, faculty, and support staff. The school would be in regular session on weekdays from late August to early June, but may host special events and classes during evenings, on weekends, and during summer recess.

The project includes annexation of the site to the City of Fresno prior to construction, and detachment from the Fresno County Fire Protection District and the Kings River Conservation District.

The timing for construction of the school would be dependent on enrollment growth and funding availability. The District estimates that the school could be constructed in approximately five years.

Mitigation Measures: The District has incorporated into the project mitigation measures for potentially significant project impacts related to aesthetics, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, noise, traffic and tribal cultural resources. The mitigation measures are included in Table 1 of the Initial Study.

Finding: As required by the California Environmental Quality Act, the District prepared an Initial Study for the project (attached). Based on the Initial Study, the District determined that although the project could have a significant effect on the environment, there would not be a significant effect in this case because the District incorporated into the project mitigation measures that would avoid any significant effects of the project or reduce the effects to an insignificant level. Therefore, it is the intent of Clovis Unified School District to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project.

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