

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE WITH MITIGATION MEASURES

PROJECT: Boundary Oak Golf Course Driving Range Project (Project)

LOCATION/ADDRESS: The Project site is currently developed with the Boundary Oak Golf Course driving range and is open to the public daily between 7:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. The Project site is located at 3800 Valley Vista Road, Walnut Creek, CA 94598.

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: The purpose of the Project is to upgrade and modernize the existing driving range to make it more appealing to a wide range of potential users as well as to improve its drainage and irrigation infrastructure. The Project would include upgrades to the golf course driving range including overall grading and drainage improvements and the addition of new features such as a small plaza with a concession area, a new putting green and teaching tee, an electronic golf ball tracking system, cart parking spaces, a bioretention facility, and a new irrigation system. The Project would also include demolition of an existing ball machine shed and a sanitary sewer line.

ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING: The site is bounded by the main Boundary Oak Golf Course to the west and the Lime Ridge Open Space on its other three sides. The Lime Ridge Open Space is owned and managed by the City and is used for cattle grazing, horseback riding, hiking, biking, plant and animal habitat, and other recreational purposes.

HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE LISTS: The Project area is not included in the lists enumerated under Government Code section 65962.5, including, but not limited to, lists of hazardous waste facilities, land designated as hazardous waste property, and hazardous waste disposal sites.

DECLARATION

Based on the attached Draft Initial Study/Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND), dated April 2024, the City of Walnut Creek has determined that, with Project incorporation of the mitigations identified in the attached IS/MND:

- This Project does not have the potential to substantially degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory.
- The Project will not achieve short-term environmental goals to the disadvantage of long-term environmental goals.
- This Project will not have impacts which are individually limited but cumulatively considerable.
- This Project will not have environmental impacts which will cause substantial adverse effects upon human beings, either directly or indirectly.

The aforementioned findings are contingent upon incorporation into this Project of the mitigation measures identified in the attached IS/MND (Conditions for Mitigated Negative Declaration). Based on the findings of the IS/MND, it has been determined that the project will not have a significant effect upon the environment based on mitigating measures. The IS/MND includes a Mitigation and Monitoring Reporting Plan (MMRP) that includes mitigation measures designed to eliminate or reduce significant adverse environmental effects of the Project to less than significant level.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD

Environmental documents supporting the attached IS/MND, including the Project plans, are available for public review at the City of Walnut Creek Public Services Department, 1666 North Main Street, Walnut Creek, California, during regular business hours.


From April 11 through May 13, 2024 (the 30-day public review period), the public is invited to submit written comments to the contact persons and addresses indicated below regarding the IS/MND determination. Copies of the IS/MND are also available for the public to review on the City's website at <https://www.walnutcreekca.gov/government/public-works/ceqa>.

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Signature

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