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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

To: Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

From: Paradise Unified School District (Lead Agency)

Subject: Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the
Paradise High School Expansion Project
NOW EXTENDED TO OCTOBER 28, 2026

Project Title: Paradise High School Expansion Project

Notice Is Hereby Given that the Paradise Unified School District (PUSD), as lead agency, has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed Paradise High School (HS) Expansion Project (proposed project), pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21165 and the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines (CEQA Guidelines). The purpose of this notice is 1) to serve as a Notice of Availability (NOA) of a DEIR for a 45-day public comment period pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines Section 15087. The PUSD is extending the public review period of the DEIR for the proposed project for an additional 45 days.

Project Location: The Paradise HS campus is located at 5911 Maxwell Drive in the Town of Paradise, California. The proposed project would be located near the southern boundary of the campus, and would encompass approximately 7.31-acres, including Assessor's Parcel Numbers [APNs] 053-111-015, -014, -028, -030, and -034 (project site). The campus is bounded by Maxwell Drive to the east; Elliot Road to the south, the Paradise HS campus to the north, and a residential property to the west. Regional access to the Paradise HS campus is provided by State Route 191 (SR-191), approximately one-half mile east of the campus.

Project Description: The proposed project would consist of three components: one new parking lot, one new agricultural building, and a new football stadium and practice sports field. The proposed project would utilize two parcels for the new parking lot, two parcels for the new football stadium that will also be used as practice fields, and one parcel for the new agricultural building. The parking lot would be approximately 1.97 acres and provide approximately 121 parking spaces, including 114 standards parking spaces and 7 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) parking spaces. The parking lot would be adjacent to the new stadium and practice fields, with vehicular access provided via Elliot Road. The proposed agricultural building would be a 1,728-square-foot (sf) barn with eight stalls for livestock and would include 7,728 sf of landscaping and concrete hardscape. An Odor Management Plan would be implemented to minimize any odors that would result from the operation of the agricultural building. The proposed stadium and practice field would make up approximately four acres of the project site and would consist of the construction of a new field, PA system, bleachers, concession stand, and restrooms. The PA system would consist of four speakers and be used for games and school events. The bleachers would be located on the northern and southern sides of the proposed field. The proposed bleachers would have a capacity of 2,500 spectators, with 1,500 spectators on the home/northern side of the field, and 1,000 spectators on the visitors/southern side of the field.

No existing structures would be demolished and no changes to the student capacity or number of staff would occur as a result of the proposed project.

The proposed improvements at Paradise HS may be used for sporting events, practices and other school events. Sporting events and practices are anticipated to consist of tackle football, girls and boys soccer, track and field, and band. The athletic field would be anticipated to be utilized throughout the year for school events and non-school events until dusk, as required by the PUSD Policy 1330, *Use of School Facilities*, and the Civic Center Act. Facilities would be available to outside user groups to utilize the athletic field until dusk. The District would have the authority to use the athletic field for practices and events based on specific needs; thus, the event schedule may be adjusted for different school and community events.

Public Review Period: July 29, 2026 to September 11, 2026
NOW EXTENDED TO OCTOBER 28, 2026

Responses And Comments: Responsible public agencies, trustee agencies organizations, and members of the public are invited to review and comment on the DEIR. All comments on the contents of the DEIR must be submitted no later than 5:00 pm on **Wednesday, October 28, 2026**. Please include the name, phone number, and email address of a contact person in all responses submitted. Comments received after the deadline may not be considered or responded to.

Please send your response in writing with the subject heading **Paradise High School Expansion Project** to:

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Potential Environmental Effects: The proposed project would result in no impacts on Energy, Land Use and Planning, Mineral Resources, Population and Housing, and Recreation. Impacts related to Aesthetics, Agriculture and Forestry Resources, Air Quality, Hydrology and Water Quality, Public Services, Transportation, Utilities and Service Systems, and Wildfire were determined to be less than significant. Impacts related to Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Noise, and Tribal Cultural Resources were determined to be less than significant after the implementation of mitigation measures.

Document Availability: The DEIR and Notice of Availability for the proposed project are available for public review at the following locations (physical locations during normal business hours):

- **Paradise Unified School District Office:** 6696 Clark Road, Paradise, CA 95969
- **Paradise High School Main Office:** 5911 Maxwell Drive, Paradise CA 95969
- **PUSD website:** <https://www.pusdk12.org/Departments/District-Services/Maintenance--Operations/index.html>

If you require additional information, please contact David McCready at (530) 872-6400.