NOTICE OF INTENT/RE-CIRCULATION OF (MITIGATED) NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code Article 7 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended, the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Engineering has prepared an Initial Study for the project described below. Under CEQA, the City identified no significant impacts and proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration.

PROJECT TITLE: VAN NUYS FIRE STATION NO. 39 (W.O. E170094B)

PROJECT LOCATION: The proposed project would be located on the 14600 block of Oxnard Street, within the Van Nuys-North Sherman Oaks Community Plan Area.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Los Angeles (City) is proposing to construct a replacement fire station on two vacant lots located on the corner of Oxnard Street and Vesper Avenue in Van Nuys. The existing Los Angeles City Fire Station No. 39, located at 14415 Sylvan Street (approximately 0.5 mile northeast), cannot house the additional resources needed to meet present and future demands for fire protection services. Prior to construction, the City would acquire the property under consideration. The proposed project will use accrued interest and savings from Proposition F, approved by voters on November 7, 2000. The replacement fire station will include an approximate 18,533-square-foot facility and other associated improvements. Disposition of the existing Fire Station No. 39 at 14415 Sylvan Street has not been determined at this time. Until such a determination is made, the Department of General Services would maintain the buildings.

The City prepared an Initial Study/Negative Declaration in compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to assess the potential environmental impacts of this project. Public Review for this document was from May 23, 2013 to June 12, 2013. Under CEQA, the City identified no significant impacts. After consideration of public comments, mitigation measures for noise and contaminated soils impacts were considered. The project description remains the same; however, section 5.0 “Mitigation Measures” of the previously circulated document has been edited to reflect the new changes.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The proposed project Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration will be circulated for a 30-day public review period, beginning on February 20, 2014 and ending on March 24, 2014. Copies of the document are available for review at the following location:

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A copy of this document may also be obtained by calling Catalina Hernandez of the Bureau of Engineering at (213) 485-5756 or by visiting the office address listed below, or by viewing the Bureau of Engineering Website, http://eng.lacity.org/techdocs/emg/. All comments must be submitted in writing no later than 4:00 PM on March 24, 2014, by mailing to:

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Thank you for your interest.

Figure 1. Project Location – Vacant parcels located on the 14600 block of Oxnard Street