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NOTICE OF PREPARATION

To: Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, Stakeholders, and Interested Persons

From: City of Los Angeles
Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering
Environmental Management Group
1149 S. Broadway, 6th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90015-2213

Subject: **Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Van Nuys Fire Station 39 Project**
- State Clearinghouse No. (SCH#): Pending Assignment by OPR -

The City of Los Angeles (City), Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering (BOE) is the Lead Agency and will prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project identified below. The City is requesting input from responsible agencies, trustee agencies, stakeholders, and other interested parties on the scope and content of the environmental information relevant to the statutory responsibilities of responsible and trustee agencies and to the concerns of interested organizations and persons. Using the information obtained through this public process, the City will prepare an EIR to analyze the environmental impacts of the proposed project and alternatives. The contents of this Notice of Preparation have been prepared in accordance with Section 15082 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.

Project Location

The proposed project would be located at 14615 Oxnard Street in the community of Van Nuys in the City of Los Angeles, approximately 0.5 mile southwest from the location of the existing Fire Station 39 (see attached Figure 1, Project Location).

Proposed Project

The City of Los Angeles is proposing to construct a two-story, approximately 18,533-square-foot fire station (proposed project) on an approximately 1.19-acre site located on the northwest corner of Oxnard Street and Vesper Avenue in the community of Van Nuys. At present, the project site is a paved vacant lot. The proposed project would replace the existing Fire Station 39, which is located approximately 0.5 mile northeast of the project site. The existing Fire Station 39, located at 14415 Sylvan Street, is an approximately 14,000-square foot building located adjacent to the Van Nuys Civic Center. The existing Fire Station 39 cannot accommodate the additional resources needed to meet present and future demands for fire protection services.

Probable Environmental Effects

Probable environmental effects associated with the proposed project include:

- Aesthetics (light and glare)
- Air Quality
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Noise
- Geology and Soils
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Transportation/Traffic
- Utilities
- Mandatory Findings of Significance

Previous Environmental Review

Previous CEQA review of the proposed project has been conducted. A Negative Declaration was prepared in 2013 and a Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared in 2014. These documents are available online at http://eng.lacity.org/techdocs/emg/van_nuys_fs39.htm

Scoping Meeting

In addition, a scoping meeting will be held to obtain input on the scope and contents of the EIR, at the following date, time and location:

Thursday, April 9, 2015
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Van Nuys Branch Library
6250 Sylmar Avenue
Van Nuys, CA 91401

Responses/Comments

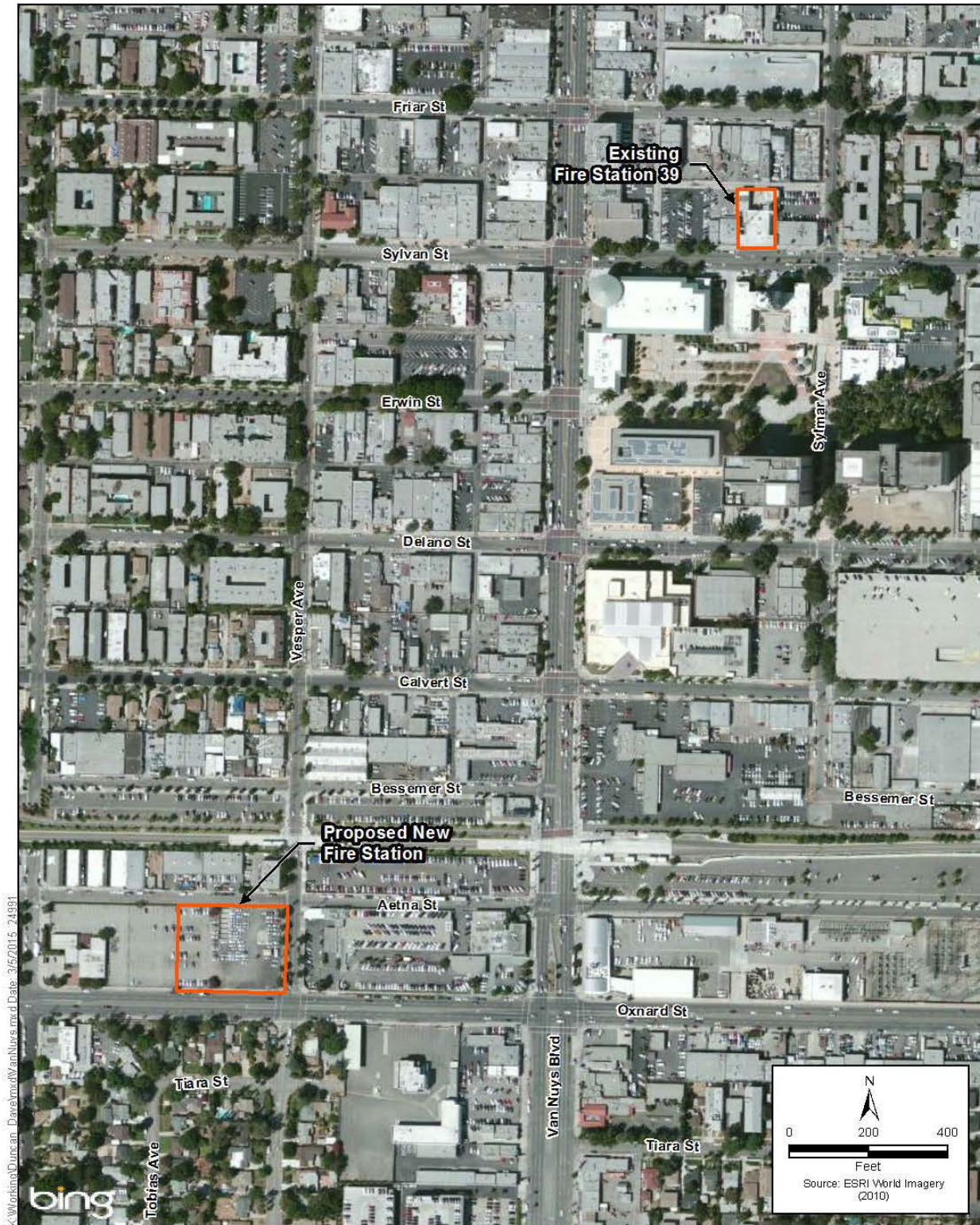
Due to the time limits mandated by state law, your response must be sent at the earliest possible date, but not later than 30 days after receipt of this notice.

Please send your response to:

Mr. Norman Mundy
City of Los Angeles
Public Works, -Bureau of Engineering
Environmental Management Group
1149 S. Broadway, 6th Floor, Mail Stop 939
Los Angeles, CA 90015-2213

Comments may also be submitted by e-mail to Norman.Mundy@lacity.org (please include “Van Nuys Fire Station 39 Project” in the subject line). We would appreciate the name, telephone number, and e-mail address of a person to contact if we have any questions regarding your comment.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Norman Mundy at (213) 485-5737.



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Figure 1
Project Location
Van Nuys Fire Station 39