CITY OF
SAN JOSE
CAPITAL OF SILICON VALLEY

Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement
JOSEPH HORWEDEL, DIRECTOR

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RE: SCHOOL IMPACT AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR THE ENVISION SAN JOSÉ 2040 GENERAL PLAN UPDATE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

Dear School District Representative:

As the Lead Agency, the City of San José is preparing an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Envision San José 2040 General Plan Update.

The Envision San José 2040 EIR will evaluate five Land Use Study Scenarios for potential job and housing growth capacity beyond the current 2008 level of development as follows:

- San Jose 2020 255,550 new jobs and 82,110 new dwelling units
- Scenario 1 346,550 new jobs and 88,650 new dwelling units
- Scenario 2 360,550 new jobs and 135,650 new dwelling units
- Scenario 3 339,530 new jobs and 158,970 new dwelling units
- Scenario 4 526,050 new jobs and 88,650 new dwelling units

Please reference the attached tables which identify the proposed distribution of job and dwelling unit growth for each of the study scenarios by school district. Please also refer to the attached tables and maps that identify the geographic distribution of potential job and dwelling unit growth in more detail for each of the above scenarios. If necessary for your analysis, we can provide you with electronic GIS files that more precisely indicate the location of planned job and housing growth.

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, the City of San José will evaluate whether the Envision San José 2040 General Plan Update project would, "result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with... the need for new or physically altered [school] facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts in order to maintain acceptable service ratios... or other performance objectives..."

To facilitate the preparation of the environmental review for the Update, we would appreciate it if you answer the questions on the following pages using the format provided.

1. What are your District's student generation rates for different types of residential development? For example:

Housing Type(s)	Student Generation Rates			
	K-5	6-8	9-12	or K-12
Single Family (Attached/Detached)				
Multiple-Family (Apartments)				
Multiple-Family (Condominiums)				
Other:				

2. What are your District's long-term plans for school facilities? What is the existing capacity and enrollment for each school? Which school facilities do you anticipate would accommodate the students generated from within the planned growth areas? Does the District have vacant or leased schools that could accommodate future growth? For example:

Existing Schools

School/Location/ Grade Levels	Capacity	Existing Enrollment	Any Planned Expansion?	Any Planned Closing? (Year)	Would Serve Growth Area Identified on San Jose 2040 GP Maps

Vacant/Leased School Sites

School Site	Location	Built for Grade Levels	Potential Student Capacity	Any Constraints to Reopening

Please also provide any long-term enrollment projection studies prepared for your District.

3. Are any new schools planned in the District? Please list the approximate location or sites for new planned schools, grade levels, projected capacity and other information to help structure the EIR for the first tier of environmental review for the school siting process.

New or Planned Schools

Approximate Location or Site	Grade Levels	Projected Student Capacity	Projected Opening School Year (if known)	Other Information

4. Based upon your District's long-term plans, can the local schools and/or district accommodate the project-generated students, and if not, what would need to be done to accommodate those students?

Please include in your response the name of the District's contact person for this planning project. We would appreciate your response by October 19, 2009.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Contact John Baty, the CEQA project manager for the Envision San José 2040 EIR, at (408) 535-7894 or via email at: john.baty@sanjoseca.gov if you have any questions regarding the proposed project.

Information on the Envision San José 2040 General Plan Update is available on the City's website at: http://www.sanjoseca.gov/planning/gp_update

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