

A-7 GROSSMONT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

- A-7-1** The comment provides background information on the Grossmont Union High School District (GUHSD) and serves as an introduction to comments that follow. This comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the Draft EIR; therefore, no further response is required or provided.
- A-7-2** The comment states that the Draft EIR should revise the Draft EIR to identify Valhalla High School, not Steele Canyon High School, as the appropriate GUHSD school serving the territory within which the Proposed Project is planned. In response to this comment, the Final EIR has been revised in ~~strikeout~~/underline format in Section 3.1.6, Public Services. These revisions do not include the identification of any new impacts or mitigation measures, and do not constitute substantial new information pursuant to CEQA.
- A-7-3** The comment restates information regarding a transfer of uninhabited territory from the GUHSD to the Sweetwater Union High School District (SUHSD), which is discussed in Section 3.1.6, Public Services, of the Draft EIR. The comment also expresses the GUHSD's opposition to such a transfer of uninhabited territory. Board of Supervisors Policy I-109 states:

It is the policy of the Board of Supervisors that Otay Ranch Associated Documents listed below on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and identified by the Document Numbers indicated below, shall be used in the preparation of plans, reports and other documents for the Otay Ranch project; County decisions-makers and staff shall assure that application submitted for the development portions of the Otay Ranch project are consistent with these Associated Documents: ... – Facility Implementation Plans (Doc No. 759223)...

The School Facility Implementation Plan in Doc. No. 759223 states “This analysis assumes all of Central Proctor Valley is within the Chula Vista Elementary Sweetwater Union High districts...” The County notes that the Otay Ranch General Development Plan/Otay Subregional Plan, Volume II (Otay Ranch GDP/SRP) and School Facility Implementation Plan anticipated that schoolchildren residing within Village 14 would attend the SUHSD school instead of the GUHSD.

The Transfer of Uninhabited Territory was contemplated in the Otay Ranch GDP/SRP (page 328), School Processing Requirements: “Identify and process school district boundary adjustments, as appropriate, through approval by the appropriate

governing body.” This process will be conducted through the County Department of Education pursuant to California Education Code Section 35700 et seq. and is not part of the Proposed Project to be considered by the County Board of Supervisors. The County has abided by Board Policy I-109 in assuming students in Village 14 attend the same schools in the SUHSD.

Further, the County notes that there is no impact to schools within the GUHSD because the Proposed Project does not propose to take any existing students from their district.

- A-7-4** The comment states that the Draft EIR should refer to the “Grossmont Union School District” not “Unified.” The comment also states that the Draft EIR should be revised to state Valhalla High School, not Steele Canyon High School. These revisions are presented in Section 3.1.6, Public Services of the Final EIR in ~~strikeout~~/underline format. These revisions do not include the identification of any new impacts or mitigation measures and do not constitute substantial new information pursuant to CEQA.
- A-7-5** The comment states that information in Table 3.1.6-6 of the Draft EIR is incomplete and not up to date. The comment further requests the Draft EIR be updated with information provided by the GUHSD. These revisions regarding Table 3.1.6-6 updates are presented in Section 3.1.6, Public Services, in the Final EIR in ~~strikeout~~/underline format. These revisions do not include the identification of any new impacts or mitigation measures and do not constitute substantial new information pursuant to CEQA.
- A-7-6** The comment provides concluding remarks. Please refer to **Response to Comment A-7-3**. The comment does not raise new or additional environmental issues concerning the adequacy of the Draft EIR; therefore, no further response is required or provided.
- A-7-7** The commenter included the updated Table 3.1.6-6, Grossmont Union High School District – High School Capacity, to replace the Table 3.1.6-6 included in the Draft EIR as requested in Comment A-7-5. Please refer to **Response to Comment A-7-5**.