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TO: Interested Persons

FROM: Scott Johnson, Associate Planner

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY-DRAFT SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE SACRAMENTO RAILYARDS SPECIFIC PLAN UPDATE, KP MEDICAL CENTER, MLS STADIUM & **STORMWATER OUTFALL PROJECT (P15-040)** (SCH#: 2006032058)

PROJECT LOCATION: The Railyards Specific Plan Update (RSPU) project area is located in Sacramento County within the downtown area of the City of Sacramento, near the confluence of the American and Sacramento rivers. The approximately 244-acre RSP Area is immediately north of the Sacramento Central Business District, east of the Sacramento River and Interstate 5 (I-5), south of North B Street and the River District area, and west of the Alkali Flat Neighborhood. The RSP Area is generally bounded by the Sacramento River Water Treatment Plant and industrial and commercial uses along Richards Boulevard to the north; the Alkali Flat neighborhood to the southeast; the Central Business District to the south; Old Sacramento to the southwest; and I-5 and the Sacramento River to the west. The entirety of the project is within the City of Sacramento, Sacramento County. The RSP Area is comprised of 9 Assessor's Parcel Numbers, including 002-0010-023, -044, -049, -052, -054, -056, -060, -062, and -063.

COMMENT PERIOD: June 10, 2016 to July 27, 2016 (Comment period ends - 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 27, 2016).

As Lead Agency, the City of Sacramento, Community Development Department, Environmental Planning Services, has completed the Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (Subsequent EIR) for the RSPU, Kaiser Permanente Medical Center (KP Medical Center), Major League Soccer Stadium (MLS Stadium), and Stormwater Outfall projects. The document is now available for public review and comment. You may review a printed copy or obtain a CD copy of the document at the Community Development Department, 300 Richards Boulevard, Third Floor, Sacramento, California 95811, between 9:00am and 4:00pm (except holidays). An electronic copy of the document is also available for review at the downtown Central Library. The document will be available at the City's Community Development Department, environmental documents webpage at the following link:

http://portal.cityofsacramento.org/Community-Development/Planning/Environmental/Impact-Reports.aspx

The RSPU, KP Medical Center, MLS Stadium, and Stormwater Outfall project (proposed project) consists of construction and operation of: (1) the proposed RSPU, an approximately 244-acre mixed-use urban development comprised of an integrated mix of residential, non-residential, and public uses, along with infrastructure and utility systems that would serve and support the uses developed pursuant to the RSPU: (2) a new regional medical center built and operated by Kaiser Permanente; (3) a sports and entertainment stadium that could accommodate a Major League Soccer team and special events; and (4) a stormwater outfall on the Sacramento River. These activities are referred to collectively as the proposed projects.

The Draft Subsequent EIR has been prepared pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines section 15162. Physical construction and development of the proposed projects will require various discretionary permits over time, and the Draft Subsequent EIR evaluates these actions to the extent information is available. If one or more of the proposed projects are approved, the City would review future discretionary permits in light of the Subsequent EIR to determine whether additional environmental review is required.

The issues discussed within the Draft Subsequent EIR are those that have been identified as potentially significant impacts including: Aesthetics, Light and Glare; Air Quality; Biological Resources; Cultural Resources; Energy Demand and Conservation; Geology, Seismicity, and Soils; Global Climate Change; Hazards and Hazardous Materials; Hydrology and Water Quality; Land Use, Population, and Housing; Noise and Vibration; Public Services; Transportation and Circulation; Utilities; and Growth Inducement and Urban Decay. Mitigation is included in the Draft Subsequent EIR to reduce impacts to less-than-significant levels; however, significant and unavoidable impacts have

been identified for the following areas: Aesthetics, Light and Glare; Air Quality; Biological Resources; Cultural Resources; Noise and Vibration; Transportation and Circulation; and Utilities.

The Draft Subsequent EIR is being circulated for a 45-day public review period from June 10, 2016 to July 27, 2016. Written comments regarding the Draft Subsequent EIR should be received by the Environmental Planning Services **NO LATER THAN 5:00 pm, Wednesday, July 27, 2016** (note: public counter hours are 9:00am and 4:00pm (except holidays)).

Written comments should be submitted to:

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If you have any questions concerning the environmental review process, please call Scott Johnson (916) 808-5842.

Thank you.