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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT
A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**
January 27, 2010

LEAD AGENCY: City of Elk Grove
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PROJECT TITLE: Elk Grove Intermodal Rail Station Master Plan

PROJECT LOCATION: The site is bordered by the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) tracks and the Camden Crossing single-family residential development on the west, Elk Grove-Florin Road on the east, and undeveloped fields for 400 feet followed by the Coventry multi-family subdivision on the north in the City of Elk Grove, California.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Elk Grove proposes to construct an intermodal rail station south of the Sheldon Road/Elk Grove Florin Boulevard intersection on the west side of Elk Grove Florin Road at the UPRR tracks. Because exact locations and design details of many of the project's features, as described below, have not been determined at this point in the planning process, the project is being analyzed as a Master Plan. Subsequent projects in future stages of the planning process that include more detailed design will be included under the scope of this Master Plan and its associated environmental analysis.

The proposed project would include the following primary features:

- New signalized intersection at Elk Grove-Florin Road just south of Sheldon Road;
- Installation of frontage improvements (curb and sidewalk), and addition of third through-traffic lane and bicycle lane along southbound Elk Grove-Florin Road beginning at the northern limits of the project area and ending at Camden Road. From a point approximately 100 feet south of where Elk Grove-Florin Road crosses the UPRR tracks, the new southbound sidewalk, bike lane, and traffic lane will connect with an existing widened portion of Elk Grove-Florin Road south to Camden Road.
- 800 feet long Passenger platform;
- Passenger loading zones;
- Approximately 110 Designated parking areas;
- Pedestrian/bicycle trail;
- Bicycle lockers;
- Bridge over Whitehouse Creek;
- Landscaping;

- Water detention basin; and
- An area for a future 1,500 square foot building at the platform.

Vegetation removal will be required to allow for the construction of the new rail stop.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Elk Grove has prepared a draft Recirculated Mitigated Negative Declaration, pursuant to the requirements of CEQA, for the above described project.

Given the fact that an estimated 20-month period will ensue between the end of public circulation of the Draft IS/MND (July 25, 2008) and the anticipated City Council adoption of the Final IS/MND (March 2010), and that design changes and additional technical analyses have been incorporated into the document during this period, the City has decided that the project is now considered a Master Plan and the IS/MND should be re-circulated.

The project site is not listed on the Hazardous Waste and Substances Sites List as set forth in Government Code Section 65962.5.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: A 30 day public review period for the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration will commence on January 27, 2010 through February 27, 2010 for interested individuals and public agencies to submit written comments on the document. Any written comments on the draft Recirculated Mitigated Negative Declaration must be received at the above address within the public review period. Comments can also be made during a public meeting scheduled for February 23, 2010 from 5:30-7 PM at the Elk Grove City Council Chambers, Elk Grove City Hall, 8400 Laguna Palms Way or at the public hearing. Copies of the draft Recirculated Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study are available for review at the City of Elk Grove at the above address and on the website at www.egplanning.org/environmental/.

A public hearing for the adoption of the Recirculated Mitigated Negative Declaration and approval of the project is **tentatively** scheduled to be heard at the City Council meeting on March 24, 2010. Please check the City Council Agenda at <http://www.elkgrovecity.org/council/city-council-agendas.asp> in case of changes to this tentatively scheduled hearing date.