

NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF A DRAFT SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

The County of Ventura, as the lead agency, has prepared a draft supplemental environmental impact report (SEIR) for the following project:

1. **Project:** Five-Story Replacement Clinic (Clinic) at Ventura County Medical Center (VCMC).
2. **Project Proponent:** County of Ventura, Public Works Agency, 800 S. Victoria Ave. L#1670, Ventura CA 93009.
3. **Location:** The Clinic is located near center of VCMC campus south of Hospital Drive at 340 Hillmont Ave., Ventura CA 93003.
4. **Responsible and/or Trustee Agencies:** None.
5. **Project Description:** The SEIR analyzes the aesthetic effects of the Clinic building already constructed on the VCMC campus as part of the VCMC Expansion Project. The SEIR analyzes the incremental height and profile-related impacts of the current 90-foot tall Clinic building as compared to a 75-foot tall Clinic building at the same location, as directed by the Ventura County Superior Court in the peremptory writ of mandamus issued in *Ventura Foothill Neighbors v. County of Ventura*, Case No. 56-2008-00323043-CU-PT-OXN.

The draft SEIR revealed that the project will result in the following significant environmental effects:

- The top 15 feet in Clinic building height results in a significant, unavoidable aesthetic impact to scenic vistas at the public viewpoint located at the intersection of Agnus Drive and Fairmont Drive due to the incremental loss of ocean and island views at that location.
- The top 15 feet in Clinic building height exacerbates the Clinic building's previously determined significant, unavoidable aesthetic impact based on the difference in height and scale between the Clinic building and the surrounding residential neighborhood.

The public review period is from March 23, 2016 to May 6, 2016. The draft SEIR and all documents referenced in the SEIR are available for public review on-line at vcpublishworks.org/engineering-services-department/engineering-services (select "CEQA Environmental Review-SEIR") or at the County of Ventura, Public Works Agency, Engineering Services Division, 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday. The public is encouraged to submit written comments to Christopher Cooper, no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 6, 2016 to the address listed above. In the alternative, you may fax your comments to (805) 654-2505 or e-mail Christopher.Cooper@ventura.org.

Following the public review period, consideration of the project will be given at a Board of Supervisors public hearing at a date and time to be determined in the Board of Supervisors Hearing Room, 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009.

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Date

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