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Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (Draft MND) for the Proposed 217 S Avenue 20; Northeast Los Angeles (ENV-2013-634)

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) staff appreciates the opportunity to comment on the above-mentioned document. The Lead Agency proposes to construct a 8,369 square foot two-story school building. The following comments are meant as guidance for the Lead Agency and should be incorporated into the Final MND.

The SCAQMD staff has concerns about the assumptions used in the modeling to estimate localized health effect impacts from the freeway. In the Health Risk Assessment, the Lead Agency only placed receptor locations along the southern perimeter of the school. By placing receptors along the southern perimeter, cancer impacts throughout the school may be underestimated. The SCAQMD Staff recommends placing receptors along the entire perimeter of the school facility and recalculating the health risk assessment.

The SCAQMD staff is available to work with the Lead Agency to address these concerns and any other air quality questions that may arise. Please contact Jack Cheng, Air Quality Specialist at (909) 396-2448, if you have any questions regarding these comments. We look forward to reviewing and providing comments for the Final MND associated with this project.

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