

CITY OF BANNING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO
ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

To: Riverside County
Clerk-Recorder
2724 Gateway Drive
Riverside, CA 92507

From: City of Banning
Community Development Department
99 E. Ramsey St.
Banning, CA 92220

Subject: Filing of Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration in compliance with
Public Resources Code Section 21092.3.

Project Title

Lions Park Expansion Project (hereafter known as the “Proposed Project”)

<u>N/A</u>	<u>Adam B. Rush, AICP</u>	<u>(951) 922-3131</u>
State Clearinghouse Number	Lead Agency Contact Person	Telephone Number

Project Location

The proposed Lions Park Expansion Project (herein after “Proposed Project”) consists of a single parcel, which is currently undeveloped and vacant. The Project site is relatively flat, consists of approximately 7.46 acres, and is located to the west of and directly adjacent to the existing Lions Park (**Figure 2 – Project Site, Figure 3 – USGS Map of the Initial Study**). The existing Lions Park is located on the northwest corner of South Hargrave Street and Charles Street in the City of Banning, California.

Project Description

The proposed Project involves expansion of the existing Lions Park with two multi-purpose fields, approximately 900 square foot pre-fabricated restroom facility, parking lot, drive aisle, and landscaping at the currently vacant site (**Figure 4 – Site Plan**). Multi-purpose fields at the Project site will consist of live grass. No synthetic turf is proposed. The park will be available to users from sunrise to sunset. Lighting will not be constructed as part of the initial phase of the Project; lighting improvements (as shown on **Figure 4 – Site Plan**) are not part of the initial expansion of Lions Park and will be made at an undetermined future date. General Plan Land Use and Zoning designations at the site are both Open Space-Park; thus, the proposed Project is an allowed use.

The project site is not on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

Public Review Process

This is to advise that the City of Banning has determined that a Mitigated Negative Declaration is the appropriate CEQA environmental determination for the proposed project. The Initial Study reflects the independent judgment of the City.

After public review of the Initial Study is completed, the City may propose to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration in accordance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

The Initial Study is available for review at the City of Banning Planning Division office located at 99 E. Ramsey Street, Banning, CA 92220, as well as the Community Development website at www.banningca.gov.

The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will be available for public review and comment from May 17, 2019, to June 17, 2019. Any comments you wish to submit must be submitted in writing no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 17, 2019, to the City of Banning Community Development Department.

Written comments may be mailed or delivered to the following address:

City of Banning
Community Development Department
99 E. Ramsey St.
Banning, CA 92220

Written comments may be submitted via e-mail to: arush@banningca.gov

Deadline to submit public comments:
June 17, 2019, by 5:00 p.m.

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Community Development Director
Title

May 17, 2019
Date

Lions Park

