

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**  
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**TO:** Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Intent to Adopt/Notice of Availability for the Whitmore Park Track and Sports Field Project Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration

This serves as the Town of Mammoth Lakes (Town) Notice of Intent to adopt an Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Whitmore Park Track and Sports Field Project, prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), State CEQA Guidelines and local implementation procedures.

**PROJECT TITLE:** Whitmore Park Track and Sports Field Project

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The Project site is within the Whitmore Regional Park located at 575 Benton Crossing Road in Mono County, California (Assessor Parcel Number 060-080-002).

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Project includes the construction and operation of a high-performance, all-weather track and field facility and associated amenities, including a concessions building, terraced seating, a covered pavilion, walkways and plaza, fitness trails, workout stations, landscaping, and surface parking. The track is proposed to be a nine lane polyurethane track with a synthetic infield that would accommodate soccer, football, and other athletic field events. Access to the Project site would occur along a looped driveway with parking areas off Benton Crossing Road. Existing disturbed areas on the Project site are proposed for overflow parking areas, which are not proposed to be paved. Down-directed and shielded lighting for the track and field as well as the paved parking areas is proposed. Drainage, grading, wastewater, and other utility improvements are proposed to serve the Project. The Project also includes the Town amending or executing a new lease with Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) to reflect the proposed Project.

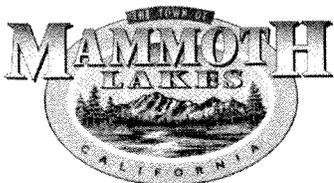
The Project is proposed to be constructed in three phases; the first phase would be the development of the track and field, terraced seating, some fitness trails, and fencing. The first phase would be completed in approximately three months and is anticipated to start construction in Summer 2011. Phases two and three include the remaining components of the Project and would be constructed as funding becomes available.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the Town of Mammoth Lakes proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the above-cited project. The Mitigated Negative Declaration is based on the finding that, by implementing the identified mitigation measures, the project's potential significant adverse impacts will be reduced to a less than significant level. The reasons to support such a finding are documented by an Initial Study prepared by the Town of Mammoth Lakes. Copies of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and supporting materials are available for review at the Town of Mammoth Lakes Community Development Department, 437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite R, Mammoth Lakes, CA, and on-line at <http://www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us>. For questions regarding the Mitigated Negative Declaration please contact:

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Community Development  
P.O. Box 1609  
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To conserve resources, the Town has not distributed hard copies of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration to all agencies, organizations, and interested parties. If you would like a hard copy, please contact Jen Daugherty (please see contact information above).

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:** In accordance with the State CEQA Guidelines, any comments concerning the findings of the proposed Initial Study/Negative Declaration must be submitted in writing and received by the Town of Mammoth Lakes no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 15, 2010, in order to be considered prior to the Town's final determination on the project. Should you decide to challenge this project, you may be limited to the issues raised during this public review period. Please mail, fax, or email your written comments to Ms. Jen Daugherty, Associate Planner, Town of Mammoth Lakes, P.O. Box 1609, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546; Fax: 760-934-8608; or E-mail: [jdaugherty@ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us](mailto:jdaugherty@ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us).

**Starting Date:** October 16, 2010

**Ending Date:** November 15, 2010

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration is preliminarily scheduled to take place on:

**Date:** December 8, 2010

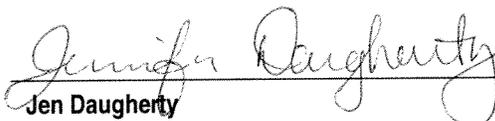
**Time:** 2:00 P.M.

**Location:** Town Council Chambers/Suite Z  
Minaret Village Shopping Center  
437 Old Mammoth Road  
Mammoth Lakes, California 93546

**If you require additional information please contact Ms. Jen Daugherty at 760-934-8989 x260**

Date: October 12, 2010

Signature:

  
Jen Daugherty

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