

8. Significant Irreversible Changes

Section 15126.2(c) of the CEQA Guidelines requires that an environmental impact report (EIR) describe any significant irreversible environmental changes that would be caused by implementation of the SUP. Implementation would involve:

- Future development would involve construction activities that entail the commitment of nonrenewable and/or slowly renewable energy resources, including gasoline, diesel fuel, electricity; human resources; and natural resources such as lumber and other forest products, sand and gravel, asphalt, steel, copper, lead, other metals, and water.
- An increased commitment of social services and public maintenance services (e.g., police and fire protection) would also be required. The energy and social service commitments would be long-term obligations in view of the low likelihood of returning the land to its original condition once it has been developed.
- SUP implementation may involve a long-term irreversible commitment of vacant parcels of land, and/or redevelopment of existing developed land next to existing District schools.

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