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Re: Draft Subsequent Project and Program Environmental Impact Report for Mount San Antonio College, City of Walnut, Los Angeles County, California

Dear Mr. Salas,

ASM Affiliates, Inc. (ASM) is conducting a cultural resources study for the proposed Mt. San Antonio College 2015 Facilities Master Plan Update and Physical Education Projects (Project) at Mount San Antonio College in the city of Walnut, in Los Angeles County, California. The Project area is located on the San Dimas, Calif. 7.5-minute USGS quadrangle map within the NW ¼ of Section 32 in T1S/R9W (see attached map).

The Mt. San Antonio Community College District is the Lead Agency and will prepare a Draft Subsequent Project and Program Environmental Impact Report (Draft SEIR) for the Mt. San Antonio College 2015 Facilities Master Plan Update and Physical Education Projects. The projects and program descriptions, locations and probable environmental effects are included in the complete NOP document which is posted on the college's website (<http://www.mtsac.edu/construction/reports-and-publications/environmental-impact-reports.html>). The prior 2002, 2005, 2008, and 2012 Facility Master Plans were evaluated in the Final Program EIRs (SCH 2002041161) that were certified in December 2002, January 2006, September 2008, and December 2013. The major change from the 2012 FMP is re-design of the athletic facilities south of Temple Avenue and East of Bonita Avenue. The existing stadium (11,940 seats) will be demolished, rather than renovated, and a new stadium (10,912 seats) built onsite. Other changes include relocation of the Public Transportation Center to Lot D3, an expanded Wildlife Sanctuary and Open Space area, and a pedestrian bridge across Temple Avenue connecting the Physical Education Complex to Lot F.

A cultural resources literature and records search conducted at the South Central Coastal Information Center (SCCIC) housed at the California State University, Fullerton, indicated that nine cultural resources studies have been conducted within a 1/2-mi. radius of the Project area; none of these studies intersect the Project area. The records search also indicated that only one cultural resource, Mount San Antonio College itself, has been recorded within or immediately adjacent to the Project boundaries.

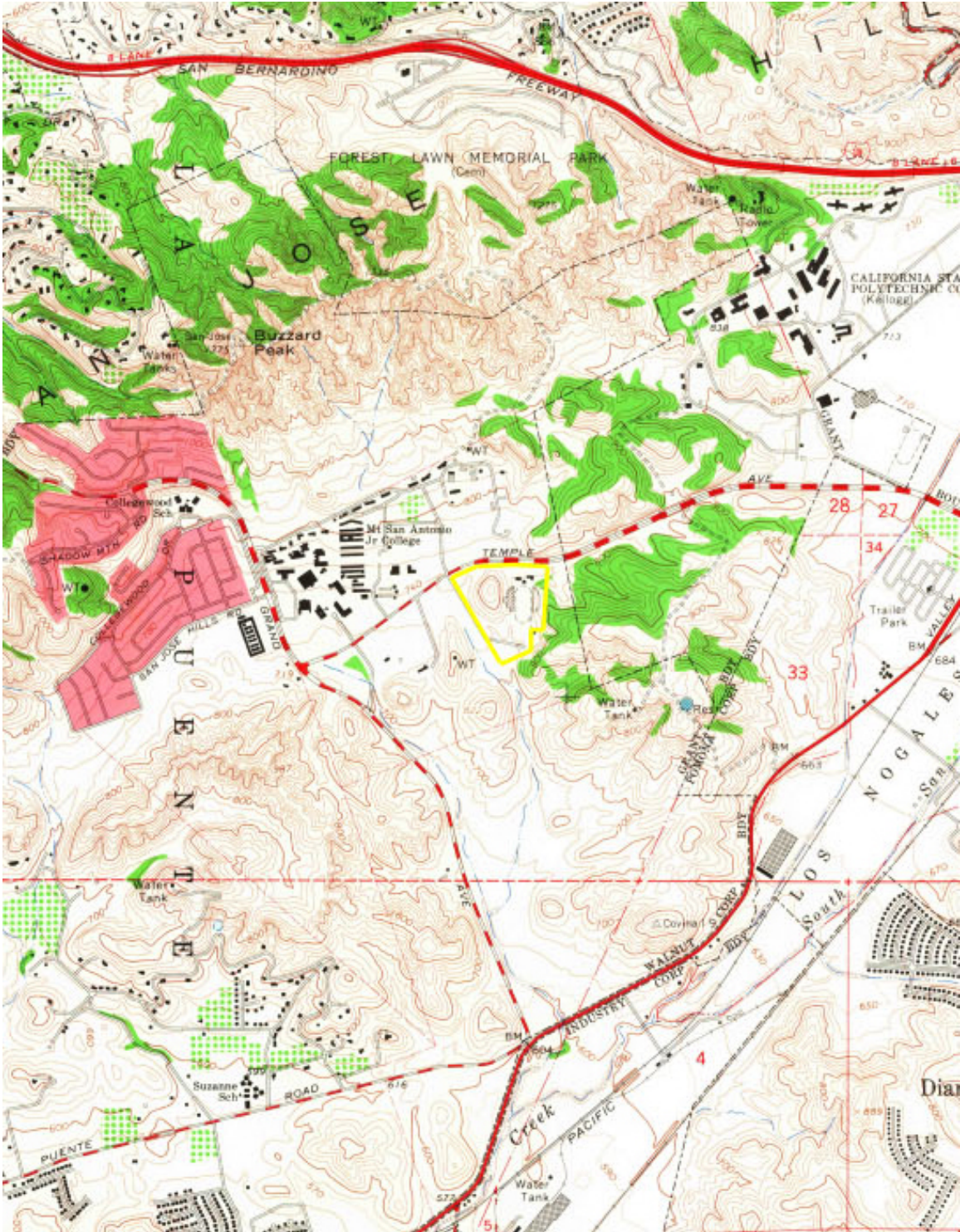
ASM requested a search of the Native American Heritage Commission's (NAHC's) Sacred Lands File on February 4, 2016. The NAHC responded on February 10, 2016 that the search yielded negative results. ASM performed an intensive-level archaeological survey of the Project area on January 21, 2016. As the majority of the Project area is within a developed built environment, during the pedestrian survey, close attention was paid to any visible soils, vegetation, and natural and human-modified landforms. Naturally occurring rocks were inspected for any indication of prehistoric or historic human modification. No cultural resources were identified during the survey.

Please let me know of any concerns you may have regarding cultural resources related to the proposed Project at your earliest convenience. Please feel free to contact me at [sandrews@asmaffiliates.com](mailto:sandrews@asmaffiliates.com) or (626) 793-7395. Your comments and concerns are very important to us, and to the successful completion of this Project. I look forward to hearing from you in the near future. Thank you in advance for taking the time to review this request.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Sherri Andrews'.

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Attachment 1: Project area depicted on San Dimas USGS 7.5-minute topographic quadrangle.