

## **Appendix K**



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Pasadena Fire Department Response Letter



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I received the request from the consultant conducting the Environmental Impact Report on behalf of the Art Center College of Design. There are a few items that we will not disclose related to staffing and specific training levels of personnel, as those details are protected under the Patriot Act and are not for public disclosure. Here are the responses to the request:

1. Fire stations that would serve the Project, including the address and distance to the Hillside Campus and South Campus, as well as an identification of the first-in and second-due for both portions of the campus:

Art Center Location	1 <sup>st</sup> Due Station	1 <sup>st</sup> Due Distance	2 <sup>nd</sup> In Station
1700 Lida St	FS 38 (1150 Linda Vista Ave)	1.2 mi	FS 39 (Pasadena)
870 S Raymond Ave	FS 31 (135 S Fair Oaks Ave)	0.9 mi	FS 33 (Pasadena)
888 S Raymond Ave	FS 31 (135 S Fair Oaks Ave)	1.0 mi	FS 33 (Pasadena)
950 S Raymond Ave	FS 31 (135 S Fair Oaks Ave)	1.1 mi	FS 33 (Pasadena)
1111 S Arroyo Pkwy	FS 31 (135 S Fair Oaks Ave)	1.2 mi	FS 34 (Pasadena)

**\*\*All distances determined using Google Maps.**



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2. A map of the service area and associated population for each of the fire stations that serve the Project Site:
  - a. See Attached maps
3. Existing staffing levels (e.g., Captains, Lieutenants, firefighters, paramedics, EMTs, HazMat-trained personnel) for each fire station serving the Project Site:

Staffing levels, specialization, capabilities, and deployment strategies are protected under the Patriot Act and cannot be disclosed in a public report, nor do they impact the outcome of this report.

4. Equipment for each fire station serving the Project Site, including number of engines, trucks, rescue ambulances, etc:

Station	Equipment
FS 31	1 Truck Co. 1 Engine Co. 1 Rescue Ambulance
FS 38	1 Engine Co. 1 Patrol
FS 33	1 Engine Co. 1 Rescue Ambulance

5. A description of any plans by PFD to construct new or expand existing fire stations that would serve the Project:

Pasadena Fire Department has no plans to construct new or expanded fire stations within the study area.

6. Incident data, by type of incident, on a monthly and annual basis for each fire station that would serve the Project. Please provide monthly data for the last two years and annual data for the last five years:



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A report of incident data for each fire station can be obtained by request through the Verdugo Fire Communications Center. The contact information is (818) 548-3313.

7. Indication of whether the response times and distances for each fire station serving the Project Site meet the performance standards of the PFD. Response times are reflected in the table that is in response to question 8.
  
8. The Hillside Campus is located within Fire Block (a geographic area for fire planning and response allocation) 0387. The South Campus is located within Fire Block 0314. The below Table indicates the current emergency response performance for those respective Fire Blocks:

a.

Period (Type)	Measured 90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Response Time (min:sec)	90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Response Time Goal
<b>Block 0387</b>		
FY15-16 (Fire)	09:22*	06:20
FY15-16 (Medical)	06:46*	06:00
FY12-16 (Fire)	07:37*	06:20
FY12-16 (Medical)	07:48*	06:00
<b>Block 0314</b>		
FY15-16 (Fire)	08:27*	06:20
FY15-16 (Medical)	05:37	06:00
FY12-16 (Fire)	08:28*	06:20
FY12-16 (Medical)	05:40	06:00

\* Indicates response times in excess of performance goal.



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### b. Response Times:

- i. For the Hillside Campus- While response times to the Hillside campus do not currently meet performance goals, the proposed work at the Hillside campus, consisting solely of "...renovations to existing buildings, additional parking, installation of photovoltaic (PV) solar cells, and modifications to campus access", would not be expected to degrade response time performance.
- ii. For the South Campus- Proposed work at the South Campus includes, "...renovations to existing buildings, demolition of existing buildings and surface parking, construction of new buildings for student housing, development of outdoor quad areas, and construction of a campus cycleway and mobility hub." The current performance for response times meets adopted standards for medical responses, but not for fire responses, within this specific Fire Block. The addition of new student housing and academic buildings would somewhat increase demand for fire services, but new or expanded fire stations would not be required. The South Campus would continue to be served by Fire Station 31, and there is no potentially significant environmental effect from this project. With regard to response times, that issue is dependent on fire response resource service levels and allocation handled through the City's budget process, and is not considered an impact on the environment. Revenue sources that contribute to the general fund, including property and sales taxes, would be expected to grow in rough proportion to any increase in residential dwelling units and/or nonresidential space in Pasadena.

Any special requirements above and beyond compliance with the Fire Code due to the Hillside Campus' location in a Very High Fire Hazard Area:



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There are no "special requirements" that are anticipated beyond the prevailing codes at the time of application for specific permits. However, the general information contained in the project description provided is insufficient to ensure that unique situations could not be encountered depending on specific designs.

If you should have any questions regarding the above responses, or would like to discuss further, please feel free to contact me at (626) 744-7158.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bryan Frieders".

Bryan Frieders  
Deputy Fire Chief/ Fire Marshal