INTRODUCTION

This appendix to the Final Program Environmental Impact Report (Program EIR) describes the Los Angeles Mission College District’s fulfillment of the requirements pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), to publish a Notice of Availability of the Draft Program EIR, to transmit the Draft Program EIR to the State Clearinghouse of the Office of Planning and Research and the County Clerk of Los Angeles County, and to make the Draft EIR available for public review.

The LACCD and the LAMC provided an extensive public outreach program to encourage responsible agency and public participation in the review of the Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The public notification process both meets and exceeds the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The following actions have been taken in preparation of the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR):

- A Notice of Completion (NOC) of the Program EIR for the Los Angeles Mission College Facilities Master Plan was prepared and widely circulated to inform public agencies and the public of the availability of the Draft Program EIR. The documents were mailed directly to the State Clearinghouse and Planning Unit in the California Governor’s Office of Planning and Research, the County of Los Angeles Clerk-Recorder, federal, state, regional and local responsible agencies, adjacent property owners and known interested parties. Signs were posted on both the LAMC campus and the Harding Street site. A copy of the Notice of Completion along with the State Clearinghouse CEQANet Database Notice of Completion is included in this appendix.

- As part of the CEQA process, a 45-day comment period, October 19 through December 5, 2006, was provided in order to allow for public review and comment on the adequacy of the EIR. During this 45-day comment period, the public was invited to participate in public comment meetings and to provide oral and written comments on the DEIR.

- Public Notices were published in the Los Angeles Daily News on October 21, 2006, Hoy (Los Angeles Spanish newspaper) on October 19, 2006, and in the San Fernando Valley Sun on November 2, 2006.

- The Public Meeting Notice was published on the LAMC Website at www.lamission.edu.

- The Public Notice and Invitation were also posted on large signs at both project sites at the start of the 45-day public review and comment period.
The public notice was mailed to approximately 8,000 individuals, residences, public agencies, and other interested parties.

Postcard notices and Door Hangers notices were hand delivered to nearby residences. These post card notices and door hangers were published in both English and Spanish.

The LAMC held two public EIR comment meetings at Los Angeles Mission College to facilitate public involvement in the EIR. The meetings were held during the 45-day comment period on November 8, 2006 and November 28, 2006. Copies of the meeting notice, welcome sheets (English and Spanish), attendee sign-in sheets, and sample public comment forms are included.

A court reporter recorded the entire proceedings of both the November 8, 2006 and November 28, 2006 public comment meetings. Copies of these transcripts are provided in Appendix H.

In response to the public outreach and participation program undertaken by LAMC, one (1) letter from a state agency, one (1) letter from a regional agency, five (5) letters from local agencies were received. Fourteen (14) comment letters were received from individual parties. These letters were considered in the preparation of the Final Program EIR and are published in Section 10.0 Responses to Comments.

Forty-seven public comments were recorded on flip-charts during the November 8 and November 28, 2006 public comment meetings. Transcribed flip-chart comments are included in Section 10.0 Response to Comments.

Written responses to all substantive comments are presented in Section 10.0 Response to Comments. Where appropriate non-substantial changes to the Draft Program EIR are provided in Section 9.0 Clarifications and Revisions.

Following the close of the public comment period, the LAMC Facilities Master Plan, Draft Program EIR and a summary of comments on the EIR was presented in a public hearing to the LACCD Board of Trustees on December 13, 2006. The public was provided an opportunity to address the Board of Trustees during this public hearing.