

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY**  
**FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**  
**FOR THE NEW YOLO BRANCH LIBRARY BUILDING PROJECT**

**Date:** October 25, 2018

**To:** California State Clearinghouse, CEQA Responsible and Trustee Agencies, federal agencies, Yolo County Clerk, and interested individuals and organizations

**Subject:** **Notice of Availability of a Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the New Yolo Branch Library Building Project (State Clearinghouse No. 2017112036)**

**Lead Agency:** Yolo County Library – 226 Buckeye Street, Woodland, CA 95695

**Applicant:** Same as Lead Agency

**Project Title:** New Yolo Branch Library Building Project

Notice is hereby given that the Yolo County Library (YCL) has prepared a Final EIR for the project identified above and will present the Final EIR to the Yolo County Board of Supervisors for consideration on November 6, 2018.

**Project Location and Description:** The YCL's New Yolo Branch Library Building Project would demolish and replace the existing Yolo Branch Library with a new, larger library building. The existing Yolo Branch Library building was constructed in 1918 and is a historical resource listed on the California Register of Historical Resources (CRHR) and the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP); however, existing structural and other concerns required the County to cease use of the historic building in early March 2018 and the library now operates out of a temporary modular building placed at the site. The existing Yolo Branch Library is located at 37750 Sacramento Street, in the unincorporated Town of Yolo, near the center of the County. The existing Yolo Branch Library property is an approximately 0.27-acre parcel of developed land (Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 025-401-013) located at the northwest corner of 2nd Street and Sacramento Street, near the center of the Town. The County purchased an adjoining residential property at 14184 2nd Street (APN 025-401-012) to the north of the existing library property and intends to demolish the existing single-family home, rezone the residential use to public facility use, and combine the two parcels as part of the project. The YCL is proposing to replace the existing, approximately 1,000 square-foot Yolo Branch Library and adjacent residence with a new, larger library facility. The new Yolo Branch Library building would be approximately 3,800 square feet in size and would better serve the community and accommodate anticipated growth and need for library services within the branch library's service area. The YCL has worked with community groups to establish the existing library's "character-defining features" and would continue to work with the community to identify existing building features that would either be salvaged, replicated, interpreted, documented, or demolished as part of the project. While the YCL would incorporate the look and feel of the existing Yolo Branch Library Building into the planning and design of the proposed New Yolo Branch Library Building Project, the project would result in the demolition of the existing, Yolo Branch Library building, a known historical resource. The proposed project is not located on a site listed pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5 by the California Department of Toxic Substances Control.

**Final EIR Summary:** The YCL prepared a Draft EIR to evaluate the potentially significant environmental impacts that may result from the implementation of the proposed project. The Draft EIR was circulated for review from July 20, 2018 through September 4, 2018. The YCL received six written comment letters

on the Draft EIR, including letters from the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, the Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District, the Yolo Fire Protection District, the Yolo County Department of Community Services Environmental Health Division, the Friends of the Yolo Branch Library of Yolo, and one member of the public. The Final EIR includes revisions to the Draft EIR text, as well as written responses to all significant comments received on the Draft EIR. The changes and revisions to the Draft EIR include:

- Additional information that provides more background and context for the EIR's setting and impact analysis.
- Revisions to Draft EIR Mitigation Measures CUL-1A, CUL-1B, CUL-1C, and CUL-3B. These revisions clarify and amplify the requirements in these measures that reduce and/or avoid potentially significant impacts that could occur with implementation of the New Yolo Branch Library Building Project.
- Deletion of Mitigation Measures HYD-3 and NOI-2 from the EIR. These deletions are due to additional information that constitutes substantial evidence, including technical data and existing, mandatory requirements that would apply to the project and which reduce the project's potential impacts from flooding and temporary noise increases to less than significant levels.
- Text changes throughout the document to provide clarity to the analysis, make minor text corrections, or fix grammatical or typographic errors.

These revisions do not constitute considerably different changes in the project description, environmental setting, impact analysis findings, or the mitigation measures identified in the Draft EIR. Implementation of the New Yolo Branch Library Building Project would result in a significant and unavoidable impact from the demolition of the existing Yolo Branch Library, a known historical resource, even with the incorporation of mitigation measures.

**EIR Certification:** The Yolo County Board of Supervisors is scheduled to consider approval of the New Yolo Branch Library Building Project and certification of the project EIR at its regular meeting as follows:

**Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at 9:00 AM**  
**Yolo County Board of Supervisors – County Administration Building, Room 206**  
**625 Court Street, Woodland, California 95695**

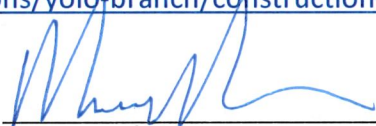
**Document Availability:** Hardcopies of the Final EIR are available for review at the following locations:

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| • Yolo Branch Library<br>37750 Sacramento Street<br>Yolo, California 95697 | • Yolo County Library Offices<br>226 Buckeye Street<br>Woodland, California 95695 |
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The Final EIR may also be reviewed or downloaded from the YCL's website:

<http://www.yolocounty.org/general-government/general-government-departments/library/hours-and-locations/yolo-branch/construction-project>

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Date: October 25, 2018

Title: County Librarian/Chief Archivist