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**Taxpayers For Accountable School Bond Spending  
Position on the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the  
Hoover High School Athletic Facilities Upgrade Project**

**Introduction:**

The noise and lighting impacts from the Hoover High School Athletic Facilities Upgrade Project on the surrounding environment have been found to be significant and immitigable. In order to reduce the impact we are submitting a modified version of Alternative 1, found in the Executive Summary section of the DEIR, for the SDUSD Board of Education to consider. This modified version of Alternative 1 will reduce the impact from both Noise and Lighting to an acceptable but still significant level.

**Modified version of Alternative 1:**

In the best interest of the students, athletes, parents, alumni, administration of Hoover High School, and as a compromise with the surrounding community it would be prudent to come to an agreement on a maximum number of 15 evenings under a lighted field per year with strict enforceable field use policies and procedures in place taking into account the known significant immitigable impacts of Noise and Lighting. Very detailed mitigation measures would be included in the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) to ensure the impact of noise and lighting is reduced to an acceptable level and accountability measures are in place to ensure that the significant impacts remain at an acceptable level. It would be up to the school administration to determine which activities occur under a lighted field – evening/night events, evening/night practices, and non-Hoover evening/night events all fall within the 15 per year. This modified version of Alternative 1 generously enables all home games in the football program. It also meets all of the Project Objectives; 1) Able to conduct evening events; 2) provides an opportunity for more people (parents, students, etc...) to attend the games; 3) and provides a safer facility for fans attending the game as well as be ADA compliant.

**References:**

Draft EIR for Hoover H.S. Athletic Facilities Upgrade Project:

[http://www.sandi.net/cms/lib/CA01001235/Centricity/domain/82/environmental\\_studies/hooverhs/draft%20eir%2010.2013/Hoover%20HS%20DEIR.pdf](http://www.sandi.net/cms/lib/CA01001235/Centricity/domain/82/environmental_studies/hooverhs/draft%20eir%2010.2013/Hoover%20HS%20DEIR.pdf)

Independent Lighting Study (Expert Opinion):

[http://www.tfasbs.org/uploads/Hoover\\_Lighting\\_Report\\_11-8-13\\_with\\_Bio.pdf](http://www.tfasbs.org/uploads/Hoover_Lighting_Report_11-8-13_with_Bio.pdf)

Respectfully,

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