

IV. Environmental Impact Analysis

F.5 Public Services—Libraries

1. Introduction

This section of the Draft EIR analyzes the potential impacts of the Project with regard to the facilities and services administered by the Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL). The analysis describes existing LAPL facilities in the Project vicinity and determines whether existing facilities are sufficient to accommodate the anticipated library demand of the Project. The analysis is based in part on information provided by the LAPL, which is included in Appendix I of this Draft EIR.

2. Environmental Setting

a. Regulatory Framework

(1) Local

(a) City of Los Angeles General Plan Framework Element

The City of Los Angeles General Plan Framework Element (Framework Element) establishes a Citywide context for long-term planning at the City and community levels. Adopted in December 1996 and readopted in August 2001, the General Plan Framework provides general guidance regarding land use issues that include direction on infrastructure and public services.

Chapter 9 (Infrastructure and Public Services) of the Framework Element contains objectives and policies that address library facilities. Specifically, Objectives 9.20 and 9.21 outline policies for the provision of adequate library services and facilities to meet the needs of the City's residents. Under Objective 9.20, Policy 9.20.1 recommends the development of library standards dealing with library facilities' net floor area, the appropriate number of permanent collection books per resident, and service radii. Policy 9.20.2 proposes a Citywide policy for locating non-English language permanent collections. Objective 9.21 proposes ensuring library services for current and future residents and businesses. As part of this objective, Policy 9.21.1 proposes seeking additional resources to maintain and expand library services, Policy 9.21.2 encourages the expansion of non-traditional library services (e.g., book mobiles) where permanent facilities are not adequate,

and Policy 9.21.3 encourages the inclusion of library facilities in mixed-use structures, in community and regional centers, at transit stations, and in mixed-use boulevards.

Chapter 10 (Implementation Plans) of the General Plan Framework Element states that the LAPL is charged with the responsibility of updating the Library Master Plan to provide sufficient capacity to correct existing deficiencies as well as meet the needs of future population. Updates of the plan should:

- a. Identify improvements including, but not limited to, new library facilities, alternatives to “stand-alone facilities” (such as mobile collections and “substations” at transit stations or in mixed-use structures) which encourage greater distribution of library facilities; new methods for acquiring books and equipment; ways to connect library telecommunications services with other City agencies as well as local college and university systems; and ways to identify regional libraries that are appropriate for non-English language collections, consistent with neighborhood needs.
- b. Adopt strategies that enhance the viability of joint development and joint-use opportunities with large commercial projects and the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD), thereby increasing the distribution of library services.
- c. Establish a new City library service standard that is based on the needs and reflects the character of the City.
- d. Identify funding sources and mechanisms for facility improvements that may include citywide assessments, state and federal grants, and the solicitation of private donations for collections, audio-visual equipment and computer materials.

The implementation plans and policies set forth in the Framework Element have been addressed through the Los Angeles Library Branch Facilities Plan and the 1989 and 1998 Library Bond Programs, which are described below.

(b) Los Angeles Public Library Branch Facilities Plan

The Los Angeles Public Library Branch Facilities Plan (Branch Facilities Plan), first adopted in 1988 and revised in 2007, guides the construction, maintenance, and organization of public branch libraries and establishes specific standards in defining geographic service areas and the size of branch facilities. The Branch Facilities Plan is composed of two elements: the Criteria for New Libraries and the Proposed Project List.¹

¹ *The Criteria for Libraries component of the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan was formerly referred to as the Site Selection Guidelines in the 1988 Branch New Facilities Plan.*

The Criteria for New Libraries sets standards for the size and features of new library branches based on the population served in each community, while the Proposed Project List identifies 19 future library projects including renovations or replacements of 11 existing branch facilities and construction of eight new branch facilities.²

The Branch Facilities Plan was initially implemented through the 1989 and 1998 Bond Programs. The 1989 Bond Program, or Phase I, provided \$53.4 million for 26 library projects.³ It was supplemented with additional funding of \$54.6 million from the Community Development Block Grant award of federal funds, the California State Library Proposition 85, and Friends of the Library groups, thereby facilitating the development of an additional three projects.⁴ Similarly, the 1998 Bond Program, or Phase II, provided \$178.3 million for 32 projects, which was supplemented with an additional \$48 million from managed savings, Friends of the Library contributions, and a California State Library Proposition 14 grant.⁵ The supplementary funding facilitated the construction of an additional four projects.

With completion of the library projects identified in the 1988 Branch Facilities Plan, the LAPL has planned for the future by analyzing current and future library services and facilities needs, as well as population growth projections to the year 2030. As a result of these efforts, a revised Branch Facilities Plan was reviewed and approved by the Board of Library Commissioners in 2007 (2007 Branch Facilities Plan). The 2007 Branch Facilities Plan is now the base document for future development of LAPL facilities. As such, it provides guidance on the preparation of cost estimates for property acquisition, design and construction of proposed library projects, and analyses of options for obtaining funding to build new libraries. As shown in Table IV.F.5-1 on page IV.F.5-4, the Criteria for New Libraries component of the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan recommends facility size standards for new libraries based on its service population. While the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan provides general guidance on library facility improvements, there are no current plans for new development or renovation of library facilities.⁶

(c) Los Angeles Public Library Strategic Plan 2015–2020⁷

The Los Angeles Public Library Strategic Plan 2015–2020 (Strategic Plan) sets forth LAPL's goals and objectives regarding library services. The goals and objectives

² *Los Angeles Public Library Strategic Plan 2007–2010, Appendix VI: Branch Facilities Plan, Draft Revision.*

³ *Passed by City voters through Proposition 1 in 1989.*

⁴ *Los Angeles Public Library Strategic Plan 2007–2010, Appendix VI: Branch Facilities Plan, Draft Revision.*

⁵ *Passed by City voters through Proposition DD in 1998.*

⁶ *Los Angeles Public Library Strategic Plan 2007–2010, Appendix VI: Branch Facilities Plan, Draft Revision.*

⁷ *Los Angeles Public Library Strategic Plan 2015–2020, June 2015.*

**Table IV.F.5-1
LAPL Branch Building Size Standards**

Population Served	Size of Facility^a
Below 45,000	12,500 sf
Above 45,000	14,500 sf
Regional Branch	Up to 20,000 sf
<p><i>sf = square feet</i></p> <p>^a <i>For communities with populations above 90,000, the LAPL suggests consideration of adding a second branch to that area.</i></p> <p><i>Source: Written communication from Tom Jung, Senior Management Analyst I, Business Office, Los Angeles Public Library, February 26, 2018. See Appendix I of this Draft EIR.</i></p>	

discussed in the Strategic Plan focus on community development and program expansion in an effort to increase the number of people who use the library services, increase the number of library card holders, and increase residents' overall engagement with the library. The Strategic Plan does not include goals or objectives regarding LAPL's construction of new facilities or expansion of existing facilities. Such goals and objectives are contained in the Branch Facilities Plan, which continues to guide the construction, maintenance, and organization of LAPL's library facilities.

(d) Hollywood Community Plan

As discussed in Section IV.D, Land Use, of this Draft EIR, the Project Site is located within the Hollywood Community Plan area. The Hollywood Community Plan, adopted on December 13, 1988, includes the following policies that are relevant to libraries:

- Library 1: It is the City's policy that library facilities, procedures, programs and resources be continually evaluated and tailored to the social, economic and cultural needs of local residents.
- Library 2: It is the City's policy that, where feasible, bookmobile service to isolated residents be encouraged as a complimentary service of community branch libraries.
- Library 3: It is the City's policy that the expansion of existing library facilities and the acquisition of new sites be planned and designed to minimize the displacement of housing and relocation of residents.

b. Existing Conditions

(1) Regional Facilities

The LAPL provides library services to the City of Los Angeles through its Central Library, eight regional branch libraries, and 64 community branch libraries, as well as through internet-based resources.⁸ Administratively, the LAPL is divided into six geographic regions, which include the Central Southern, Northeast, East Valley, West Valley, Hollywood, and Western regions.⁹ The Project Site is located in the LAPL's Hollywood region. The LAPL offers more than 6.5 million items, including books, magazines, photos, movies, e-books, podcasts, audiobooks, and streaming video; 1,000 online courses; and more than 18,000 public programs.¹⁰

The LAPL's network of libraries includes expanded and rebuilt facilities, as well as facilities at new locations. All branch libraries provide free access to computer workstations, thereby enabling patrons to access the internet and the LAPL's electronic resources, including an online catalog, subscription databases, word processing, language learning, and a large collection of historic documents and photographs. In addition, specially designed websites are provided for children, teens, and Spanish speakers.

The LAPL is a member of the Southern California Library Cooperative, an association of 39 independent city, county, and special district public libraries located in Los Angeles and Ventura counties that have agreed to cooperate in providing library service to the residents of all participating jurisdictions. The Southern California Library Cooperative provides member libraries with a resource-sharing network and a means to enhance the level and diversity of resources available to library users, while reducing duplication of effort.¹¹

(2) Local Facilities

Based on information provided by the LAPL, the Project Site is located within the service area of several library facilities within a 2-mile radius, the distance that is generally considered to encompass the service area of a library.¹² Figure IV.F.5-1 on page IV.F.5-6 identifies the locations of the existing public library facilities serving the Project Site.

⁸ *Los Angeles Public Library, Library Directory.*

⁹ *Los Angeles Public Library, Library Directory.*

¹⁰ *Los Angeles Public Library Strategic Plan 2015–2020, June 2015.*

¹¹ *Southern California Library Cooperative, SCLC, <http://socallibraries.org/>, accessed December 26, 2018.*

¹² *L.A. CEQA Thresholds Guide, Section K.5, p. K.5-2.*

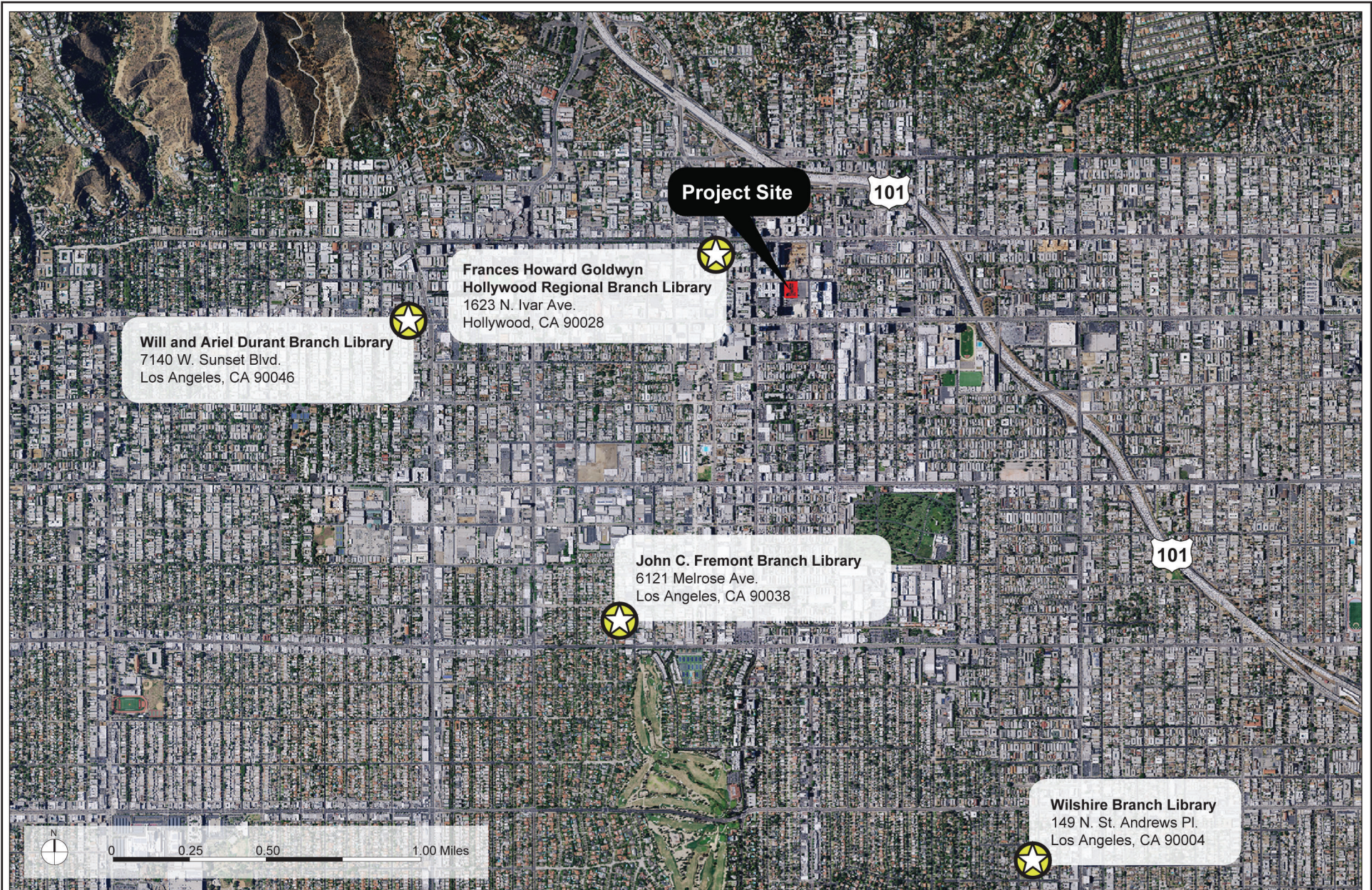


Figure IV.F.5-1
Libraries Serving the Project Site

Based on information provided by the LAPL, the Project Site is located within the service area of the Frances Howard Goldwyn Hollywood Regional Branch Library (Hollywood Regional Branch Library), located approximately 1,000 feet northwest of the Project Site at 1623 North Ivar Avenue.¹³ The Hollywood Regional Branch Library is approximately 19,000 square feet in size, with approximately 86,920 volumes in collection and a staff of 14.5 full-time employees.¹⁴ According to the LAPL, based on the Los Angeles Times Mapping L.A. database and branch library community boundaries, the service population of the Hollywood Regional Branch Library is 100,006 persons.¹⁵ Therefore, the Hollywood Regional Branch Library does not currently meet the recommendations set forth in the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan (i.e., the addition of another branch when the community population reaches 90,000 persons). However, at this time, there are no planned improvements or expansions to add capacity to the library or plans for the development of a new library to serve the community.¹⁶

The John C. Fremont Branch Library, located at 6121 Melrose Avenue; the Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library, located at 7140 West Sunset Boulevard; and the Wilshire Branch Library, located at 149 North Saint Andrews Place are also within a 2-mile radius of the Project Site. As such, these smaller branch libraries could also provide library service to the Project Site.

The John C. Fremont Branch Library is approximately 7,361 square feet in size, with approximately 40,452 volumes in collection and a staff of 8.5 full-time employees.¹⁷ Based on the Los Angeles Times Mapping L.A. database and branch library community boundaries, the service population of the John C. Fremont Branch Library is approximately 18,418 persons.¹⁸ Thus, the John C. Fremont Branch Library does not currently meet the building size recommendations set forth in the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan (i.e., 12,500 square feet for a service population of less than 45,000 persons). However, at this

¹³ Written communication from Tom Jung, Senior Management Analyst I, Business Office, Los Angeles Public Library, February 26, 2018. See Appendix I of this Draft EIR.

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¹⁵ Written communication from Tom Jung, Senior Management Analyst I, Business Office, Los Angeles Public Library, February 26, 2018. See Appendix I of this Draft EIR.

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time, there are no planned improvements or expansions to add capacity to the library or plans for the development of a new library to serve the community.¹⁹

The Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library is approximately 12,500 square feet in size, with approximately 47,727 volumes in collection and a staff of 10.5 full-time employees.²⁰ Based on the Los Angeles Times Mapping L.A. database and branch library community boundaries, the service population of the Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library is approximately 92,851 persons.²¹ In addition, the Wilshire Branch Library is approximately 6,258 square feet in size, with approximately 33,988 volumes in collection and a staff of 9.5 full-time employees.²² Based on the Los Angeles Times Mapping L.A. database and branch library community boundaries, the service population of the Wilshire Branch Library is approximately 109,529 persons.²³ Thus, both the Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library and Wilshire Branch Library do not meet the building size recommendations set forth in the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan (i.e., 14,500 square feet for a service population over 45,000 persons). At this time, there are no planned improvements or expansions to add capacity to these libraries.²⁴

The hours of operation for the Hollywood Regional Branch Library are Monday through Thursday from 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M., Friday and Saturday from 9:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M., and Sunday from 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.²⁵ The hours of operation for the John C. Fremont Branch Library, the Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library, and the Wilshire Branch Library are Monday and Wednesday from 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M., Tuesday and Thursday from 12:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., Friday and Saturday from 9:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M., and closed on

¹⁹ Written communication from Tom Jung, Senior Management Analyst I, Business Office, Los Angeles Public Library, February 26, 2018. See Appendix I of this Draft EIR.

²⁰ Written communication from Tom Jung, Senior Management Analyst I, Business Office, Los Angeles Public Library, February 26, 2018. See Appendix I of this Draft EIR.

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²³ Written communication from Tom Jung, Senior Management Analyst I, Business Office, Los Angeles Public Library, February 26, 2018. See Appendix I of this Draft EIR.

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Sundays.²⁶ The LAPL's web-based resources are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

3. Project Impacts

a. Thresholds of Significance

(1) State CEQA Guidelines Appendix G

In accordance with Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines, a project would have a significant impact related to other public facilities (e.g., libraries) if it would:

Threshold (a): Result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered government facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for libraries.

(2) 2006 L.A. CEQA Thresholds Guide

The *L.A. CEQA Thresholds Guide* states that the determination of significance shall be made on a case-by-case basis, considering the following criteria to evaluate impacts to library facilities and services:

- The net population increase resulting from the proposed project;
- The demand for library services anticipated at the time of project buildout compared to the expected level of service available. Consider, as applicable, scheduled improvements to library services (renovation, expansion, addition, or relocation) and the project's proportional contribution to the demand; and
- Whether the project includes features that would reduce the demand for library services (e.g., on-site library facilities or direct support to the LAPL).

In assessing impacts related to library facilities and services in this section, the City will use Appendix G as the thresholds of significance. The criteria identified above from the *L.A. CEQA Thresholds Guide* will be used where applicable and relevant to assist in analyzing the Appendix G thresholds.

²⁶ Written communication from Tom Jung, Senior Management Analyst I, Business Office, Los Angeles Public Library, February 26, 2018. See Appendix I of this Draft EIR.

b. Methodology

The methodology used to evaluate potential library impacts includes the following:

- (1) identifying libraries within 2 miles of the Project Site that would serve the Project;
- (2) projecting the future service population for the library that would serve the Project;
- (3) comparing the future service population to the service population of the LAPL building size standards as set forth in the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan Criteria for New Libraries; and
- (4) determining whether the Project's contribution to the future service population would cause the library to operate beyond its service capacity.

c. Analysis of Project Impacts

(1) Project Design Features

No Project Design Features are proposed with regard to libraries.

(2) Project Impacts

Threshold (a): Would the Project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered government facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for libraries?

(a) Construction

Construction of the Project would result in a temporary increase of construction workers on the Project Site. Due to the employment patterns of construction workers in Southern California, and the operation of the market for construction labor, construction workers are not likely to relocate their households as a consequence of Project construction. Therefore, Project-related construction workers would not result in a notable increase in the resident population within the service area of the Hollywood Regional Branch Library, the John C. Fremont Branch Library, the Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library, or the Wilshire Branch Library; or an overall corresponding demand for library services in the vicinity of the Project Site.

In addition, it is unlikely that construction workers would visit Project-area libraries on their way to/from work or during their lunch hours. Construction workers would likely use library facilities near their places of residence because lunch break times are typically not long enough (30 to 60 minutes) for construction workers to take advantage of library facilities, eat lunch, and return to work within the allotted time. It is also unlikely that

construction workers would utilize library facilities on their way to work as the start of their work day generally occurs before the libraries open for service. Further, it is unlikely that construction workers would utilize library facilities at the end of the work day, and would instead likely use library facilities local to their place of residence. Therefore, any increase in usage of the libraries by construction workers is anticipated to be negligible. As such, construction of the Project would not exceed the capacity of local libraries to adequately serve the existing residential population based on target service populations or as defined by the LAPL, which would result in the need for new or altered facilities, or substantially increase the demand for library services for which current demand exceeds the ability of the facility to adequately serve the population. Impacts on library facilities during Project construction would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required.

(b) Operation

As described above, based on information provided by the LAPL, the Project Site is located within the service areas of the Hollywood Regional Branch Library, the John C. Fremont Branch Library, the Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library, and the Wilshire Branch Library. These four libraries are located within a 2-mile radius of the Project Site, the distance that is generally considered to comprise the service area of a library.²⁷

As no housing currently exists on the Project Site, there are no residents on the Project Site that currently require library services. According to the Department of City Planning, the most recent estimated household size for multi-family housing units in the City of Los Angeles area is 2.43 persons per unit.²⁸ Applying this factor, development of up to 276 units at the Project Site would result in a population increase of approximately 671 residents. As stated above, according to the LAPL, the Hollywood Regional Branch Library's current service population is approximately 100,006 persons. Thus, with the addition of the Project's 671 estimated residents, the service population of the Hollywood Regional Branch Library would increase to 100,677 persons. As previously noted, under existing conditions, the Hollywood Regional Branch Library does not currently meet the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan's recommendation to add another branch when the community population reaches 90,000 persons. As such, the community would continue to be underserved by the facility with the addition of the Project's 671 new residents. There are currently no plans to expand this library or develop additional facilities to serve the area, and this library will continue to operate without meeting the recommendation in the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan.

²⁷ *L.A. CEQA Thresholds Guide, Section K.5, p. K.5-2.*

²⁸ *Based on a 2.43 persons per household rate for multi-family units based on the 2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Average Estimates (2012-2016) per correspondence with Jack Tsao, Research Analyst II, Los Angeles Department of City Planning, March 22, 2018.*

The John C. Fremont Branch Library's current service population is 18,418 persons. With the addition of the Project's estimated 671 residents, the service population would increase to 19,089 persons. As noted above, under existing conditions, the John C. Fremont Branch Library does not currently meet the building size recommendations set forth in the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan. The facility would, therefore, continue to be undersized with the addition of the Project's 671 new residents. There are currently no plans to expand this library or develop additional facilities to serve the area and this library will continue to operate without meeting the recommended building size standards.

The Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library's current service population is approximately 92,851 persons. With the addition of the Project's estimated 671 residents, the service population would increase to 93,522 persons. As noted above, under existing conditions, the Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library does not currently meet the building size recommendations set forth in the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan. The facility would, therefore, continue to be undersized with the addition of the Project's 671 new residents. There are currently no plans to expand this library or develop additional facilities to serve the area, and this library will continue to operate without meeting the recommended building size standards.

The Wilshire Branch Library's current service population is approximately 109,529 persons. With the addition of the Project's estimated 671 residents, the service population would increase to 110,200 persons. As noted above, under existing conditions, the Wilshire Branch Library does not currently meet the building size recommendations set forth in the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan. The facility would, therefore, continue to be undersized with the addition of the Project's 671 new residents. There are currently no plans to expand this library or develop additional facilities to serve the area, and this library will continue to operate without meeting the recommended building size standards.

With regard to future library service, as discussed in the Initial Study prepared for the Project, which is included in Appendix A of this Draft EIR, according to SCAG's 2016–2040 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2016 RTP/SCS), the population of the City of Los Angeles Subregion is projected to grow by approximately 4.1 percent between 2017 (the Project's baseline year) and 2023 (the Project's build-out year).²⁹ Applying this same growth rate to the service areas of the Hollywood Regional Branch Library, the John C. Fremont Branch Library, the Will and Ariel Durant Branch

²⁹ According to SCAG's 2016–2040 RTP/SCS, based on a linear interpolation of 2012–2040 data, the forecasted population for the City of Los Angeles Subregion in 2017 is approximately 3,981,911 persons, and the forecasted population for the City of Los Angeles Subregion in 2023 is anticipated to be approximately 4,145,604 persons.

Library, and the Wilshire Branch Library, the estimated service population in 2023 would be 104,107 persons, 19,174 persons, 96,658 persons, and 114,020 persons, respectively.

Thus, with the addition of the Project's 671 estimated residents, the service population in 2023 would be approximately 104,778 persons for the 19,000-square-foot Hollywood Regional Branch Library, approximately 19,845 persons for the 7,361-square-foot John C. Fremont Branch Library, approximately 97,329 persons for the 12,500-square-foot Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library, and approximately 114,691 persons for the 6,258-square-foot Wilshire Branch Library. Thus, as is the case under existing conditions, these library facilities would not meet the recommendations set forth in the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan under future conditions. However, as noted above, there are currently no plans to expand these libraries or develop additional facilities to serve the area. Thus, under future conditions, these libraries will continue to operate without meeting the recommendations that have been identified by the LAPL in the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan.

The *L.A. CEQA Thresholds Guide* also considers whether a project includes features that would reduce the demand for library services. The Project's residential units would also be equipped to receive individual Internet service, which provides information and research capabilities that studies have shown to reduce demand at physical library locations.^{30,31} Furthermore, the Project would also generate revenues for the City's General Fund (in the form of property taxes, sales tax revenue, etc.) that could be applied toward the provision of library facilities, staffing, and materials, as deemed appropriate.³² The Project's contribution to the General Fund would help offset the Project-related increase in demand for library services. Further, the Project would not conflict with or impede implementation of the applicable policies and goals related to libraries in the General Plan Framework or Hollywood Community Plan.

Employees of the proposed Project uses may also utilize nearby library facilities. As discussed in the Initial Study, the Project would provide 24,000 square feet of neighborhood-serving commercial retail and restaurant uses under the Retail/Restaurant Option. These uses would generate approximately 65 employees.³³ Alternatively, in lieu of the proposed retail and restaurant uses, the Project could develop a 27,000 square-foot

³⁰ Denise A. Troll, *How and Why Libraries are Changing: What We Know and What We Need to Know*, Carnegie Mellon University, 2002.

³¹ Carol Tenopir, "Use and Users of Electronic Library Resources: An Overview and Analysis of Recent Research Studies," 2003.

³² City of Los Angeles, *Budget for the Fiscal Year 2017–18*.

³³ Based on the employee generation rate for "Neighborhood Shopping Center" land uses of 0.00271 employees per average square foot as provided in the Los Angeles Unified School District, 2016 Developer Fee Justification Study, March 2017.

grocery store. Under this Grocery Store Option, the Project could generate approximately 73 employees.³⁴ The proposed uses would include a range of full-time and part-time positions that are typically filled by persons already residing in the vicinity of their workplace, and who already generate a demand for the libraries in the vicinity of the Project Site. As such, any indirect or direct new demand for library services generated by employees of the proposed neighborhood-serving retail and restaurant or grocery store uses would be negligible.

Based on the above, and pursuant to the library sizing standards recommended in the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan, operation of the Project would not create any new exceedance of the capacity of local libraries to adequately serve the existing residential population based on target service populations or as defined by the LAPL. Under both existing and future conditions, without or with the Project, the four identified libraries would continue operations without meeting the recommendations contained in the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan. However, the increase in demand for library services would be expected to be dispersed between the primary regional branch library and the other three local branch libraries identified by the LAPL. As these four libraries are already undersized in existing conditions, the Project would not be anticipated to result in a substantial increase in demand that would necessitate new or physically altered facilities, the construction of which would cause environmental impacts. As such, impacts on library facilities during operation of the Project would be less than significant.

4. Cumulative Impacts

As discussed in Section III, Environmental Setting, of this Draft EIR, the projected growth reflected by Related Project Nos. 1 through 108 is a conservative assumption, as some of the related projects may not be built out by 2023 (i.e., the Project buildout year), may never be built, or may be approved and built at reduced densities. To provide a conservative forecast, the future baseline forecast assumes that Related Project Nos. 1 through 108 are fully built out by 2023, unless otherwise noted. Related Project No. 109 is the Hollywood Community Plan Update, which once adopted, will be a long-range plan designed to accommodate growth in Hollywood until 2040. Only the initial period of any such projected growth would overlap with the Project's future baseline forecast, as the Project is to be completed in 2023, well before the Community Plan Update's horizon year. Moreover, 2023 is a similar projected buildout year as many of the 108 related projects that have been identified. Accordingly, it can be assumed that the projected growth reflected by the list of related projects, which itself is a conservative assumption as discussed above,

³⁴ Based on the employee generation rate for "Neighborhood Shopping Center" land uses of 0.00271 employees per average square foot as provided in the Los Angeles Unified School District, 2016 Developer Fee Justification Study, March 2017.

would account for any overlapping growth that may be assumed by the Community Plan Update upon its adoption.

As shown in Table IV.F.5-2 on page IV.F.5-16, of Related Project Nos. 1 through 108, 67 projects are generally within a 2-mile radius of the four libraries serving the Project and are residential in nature or have residential components, and are considered in this cumulative analysis.

As discussed above, the residential population of a library's service area is the primary metric used by the LAPL for assessing the adequacy of library services and planning for future growth. The LAPL has not established any facilities criteria based on employment in a library's service area. It is anticipated that employees generated by these non-residential related projects would be more likely to use the library facilities near their homes during non-work hours, as opposed to patronizing the Hollywood Regional Branch Library, the John C. Fremont Library, the Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library, and the Wilshire Branch Library on their way to or from work or during their lunch hours. Additionally, students and staff generated by educational related projects, such as Related Project No. 35, would be more likely to utilize library services provided by the educational facility. Therefore, the non-residential related projects would not substantially contribute to the Project's cumulative demand for library services.

Implementation of the 65 applicable residential related projects, in conjunction with the Project, would result in a cumulative increase in the demand for library services from the identified libraries. As shown in Table IV.F.5-2, the 67 applicable residential related projects would result in the development of approximately 14,010 new residential units and 100 beds. Based on an average household size of 2.43 persons per household,³⁵ the new residential units associated with the related projects would generate a service population of approximately 34,143 residents. When combined with the Project's estimated residential population of 671 persons, the related projects and the Project would add a total of 34,814 persons to the future service populations of the four libraries in the Project area.

As such, the addition of 34,814 persons to the Hollywood Regional Branch Library's future 2023 service population of 104,107 persons would result in a future service population of 138,921 persons. Similarly, the addition of 34,814 persons to the future 2023 service populations of the John C. Fremont Branch Library, the Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library, and the Wilshire Branch Library would result in future service populations of 53,988 persons, 131,472 persons, and 148,834 persons, respectively. Thus, pursuant to

³⁵ Based on a 2.43 persons per household rate for multi-family units based on the 2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Average Estimates (2012-2016) per correspondence with Jack Tsao, Research Analyst II, Los Angeles Department of City Planning, March 22, 2018.

**Table IV.F.5-2
Related Projects with Cumulative Library Impacts**

No.^a	Project	Description	Size	Service Population^b
1	Paseo Plaza Mixed-Use 5651 W. Santa Monica Blvd.	Condominiums	375 du	911
		Retail	377,900 sf	—
2	BLVD 6200 Mixed-Use 6200 W. Hollywood Blvd.	Live/Work Units	28 du	68
		Apartments	1,014 du	2,464
		Retail	175,000 sf	—
3	Sunset Bronson Studios 5800 W. Sunset Blvd.	Office	404,799 sf	
4	Yucca Street Condos 6230 W. Yucca St.	Apartments	114 du	277
		Commercial	2,697 sf	
5	Hollywood 959 959 N. Seward St.	Office	241,568 sf	—
6	Archstone Hollywood Mixed-Use Project 6911 W. Santa Monica Blvd.	Apartments	231 du	561
		High-Turnover Restaurant	5,000 sf	—
		General Retail	10,000 sf	—
7	Temple Israel of Hollywood 7300 W. Hollywood Blvd.	Temple Renovation		
8	Mixed-Use 5245 W. Santa Monica Blvd.	Apartments	49 du	119
		Retail	32,272 sf	—
9	Selma Hotel 6417 W. Selma Ave.	Hotel	180 rm	
		Restaurant	12,840 sf	
10	Hollywood Production Center 1149 N. Gower St.	Apartments	57 du	139
11	Hollywood Gower Mixed-Use 6100 W. Hollywood Blvd.	Apartments	220 du	535
		Restaurant	3,270 sf	—
12	Mixed-Use Office/Retail 936 N. La Brea Ave.	Office	88,750 sf	
		Retail	12,000 sf	
13	Pantages Theater Office 6225 W. Hollywood Blvd.	Office	210,000 sf	
14	Selma & Vine Office Project 1601 N. Vine St.	Office	100,386 sf	
		Commercial	2,012 sf	
15	Argyle Hotel Project 1800 N. Argyle Ave.	Hotel	225 rm	
16	Seward Street Office Project 956 N. Seward St.	Office	126,980 sf	
17	Hotel & Restaurant Project 6381 W. Hollywood Blvd.	Hotel	80 rm	
		Restaurant	15,290 sf	
18	Emerson College Project (Student Housing) 1460 N. Gordon St.	Student Housing	224 du	544
		Faculty/Staff Housing	16 du	39
		Retail	6,400 sf	—

Table IV.F.5-2 (Continued)
Related Projects with Cumulative Library Impacts

No.^a	Project	Description	Size	Service Population^b
19	Television Center (TVC Expansion) 6300 W. Romaine St.	Office	114,725 sf	
		Gym	40,927 sf	
		Dance Studio	38,072 sf	
20	Hollywood Center Studios Office 6601 W. Romaine St.	Office	106,125 sf	
21	Selma Community Housing 1603 N. Cherokee Ave.	Affordable Apartments	66 du	160
22	Hudson Building 6523 W. Hollywood Blvd.	Restaurant	10,402 sf	
		Office	4,074 sf	
		Storage	890 sf	
23	La Brea Gateway 915 N. La Brea Ave.	Supermarket	33,500 sf	—
		Apartments	179 du	435
24	Target Retail Shopping Center Project 5520 W. Sunset Blvd.	Discount Store	163,862 sf	
		Shopping Center	30,887 sf	
25	Residential 712 N. Wilcox Ave.	Apartments	103 du	250
26	Mixed-Use 1600–1610 N. Highland Ave.	Apartments	248 du	603
		Retail	12,785 sf	—
27	Millennium Hollywood Mixed-Use Project 1740 N. Vine St.	Apartments	492 du	1,196
		Hotel	200 rm	—
		Office	100,000 sf	—
		Fitness Club	35,000 sf	—
		Retail	15,000 sf	—
		Restaurant	34,000 sf	—
28	Paramount Pictures 5555 W. Melrose Ave.	Production Office	635,500 sf	
		Office	638,100 sf	
		Retail	89,200 sf	
		Stage	21,000 sf	
		Support Uses	1,900 sf	
29	Apartments 1411 N. Highland Ave.	Apartments	76 du	185
		Commercial	2,500 sf	—
30	Apartment Project 1824 N. Highland Ave.	Apartments	118 du	287
31	Hotel 1133 N. Vine St.	Hotel	112 rm	
		Café	661 sf	
32	The Lexington Mixed-Use 6677 W. Santa Monica Blvd.	Apartments	695 du	1,689
		Commercial	24,900 sf	—
33	Columbia Square Mixed-Use 6121 W. Sunset Blvd.	Apartments	200 du	486
		Office	422,610 sf	—
		Retail/Restaurant	41,300 sf	—
		Hotel	125 rm	—

Table IV.F.5-2 (Continued)
Related Projects with Cumulative Library Impacts

No.^a	Project	Description	Size	Service Population^b
34	Mixed-Use (High Line West) 5550 W. Hollywood Blvd.	Apartments	280 du	680
		Retail	12,030 sf	—
35	Tutoring Center 927 N. Highland Ave.	School	100 stu	
			18 emp	
36	Las Palmas Residential (Hollywood Cherokee) 1718 N. Las Palmas Ave.	Apartments	224 du	544
		Retail	985 sf	—
37	Mixed-Use 6915 Melrose Ave.	Condominiums	13 du	32
		Retail	6,250 sf	—
38	Sunset & Vine Mixed-Use 1538 N. Vine St.	Apartments	306 du	744
		Retail	68,000 sf	—
39	Condos & Retail 5663 Melrose Ave.	Condominiums	96 du	233
		Retail	3,350 sf	—
40	6250 Sunset (Nickelodeon) 6250 W. Sunset Blvd.	Apartments	200 du	486
		Retail	4,700 sf	—
41	Hollywood Central Park Hollywood Freeway (US-101)	Park (14.35 acres)	625,086 sf	—
		Amphitheater	500 seats	—
		Inn	5 rm	—
		Community Center	30,000 sf	—
		Banquet Space	15,000 sf	—
		Commercial	29,000 sf	—
		Apartments (Low Income)	15 du	36
42	Movietown 7302 W. Santa Monica Blvd.	Apartments	371 du	902
		Office	7,800 sf	—
		Restaurant	5,000 sf	—
		Commercial	19,500 sf	—
43	Mixed-Use 5901 Sunset Blvd.	Office	274,000 sf	
		Supermarket	26,000 sf	
44	Mixed-Use 7107 Hollywood Blvd.	Apartments	410 du	996
		Restaurant	5,000 sf	—
		Retail	5,000 sf	—
45	John Anson Ford Theater 2580 Cahuenga Blvd. East	Theater	311 seats	
		Restaurant	5,400 sf	
		Office	30 emp	
46	1717 North Bronson Avenue 1717 N. Bronson Ave.	Apartments	89 du	216
47	Sunset + Wilcox 1541 N. Wilcox Ave.	Hotel	200 rm	
		Restaurant	9,000 sf	

Table IV.F.5-2 (Continued)
Related Projects with Cumulative Library Impacts

No.^a	Project	Description	Size	Service Population^b
48	Mixed-Use 1350 N. Western Ave.	Apartments	200 du	486
		Guest Rooms	4 du	10
		Retail/Restaurant	5,500 sf	—
49	Palladium Residences 6201 W. Sunset Blvd.	Apartments (37 Affordable)	731 du	1,776
		Retail/Restaurant	24,000 sf	—
50	5600 West Hollywood Boulevard 5600 W. Hollywood Blvd.	Apartments	33 du	80
		Commercial	1,289 sf	—
51	5750 Hollywood 5750 Hollywood Blvd.	Apartments	161 du	391
		Commercial	4,747 sf	—
52	925 La Brea Avenue 925 La Brea Ave.	Retail	16,360 sf	
		Office	45,432 sf	
53	904 La Brea Avenue 904 La Brea Ave.	Apartments	169 du	411
		Retail	37,057 sf	—
54	2014 Residential 707 N. Cole Ave.	Apartments	84 du	204
55	Cahuenga Boulevard Hotel 1525 N. Cahuenga Blvd.	Hotel	64 rm	
		Rooftop Restaurant/Lounge	700 sf	
		Restaurant	3,300 sf	
56	Academy Square 1341 Vine St.	Office	285,719 sf	—
		Apartments	200 du	486
		Restaurant	16,135 sf	—
57	Hotel 6500 Selma Ave.	Hotel	70 rm	
		Restaurant	4,320 sf	
58	Hotel 1921 Wilcox Ave.	Hotel	122 rm	
		Restaurant	4,225 sf	
59	Sunset Mixed-Use 7500–7510 W. Sunset Blvd.	Apartments	213 du	518
		Restaurant	10,000 sf	—
		Retail	20,000 sf	—
60	Mixed-Use 901 N. Vine St.	Apartments	70 du	170
		Commercial	3,000 sf	—
61	Apartments 525 N. Wilton Pl.	Apartments	88 du	214
62	Hardware Store 4905 W. Hollywood Blvd.	Retail	36,600 sf	
63	Mixed-Use 1233 N. Highland Ave.	Apartments	72 du	175
		Commercial	12,160 sf	—
64	Mixed-Use 1310 N. Cole Ave.	Apartments	369 du	897
		Office	2,570 sf	—

Table IV.F.5-2 (Continued)
Related Projects with Cumulative Library Impacts

No.^a	Project	Description	Size	Service Population^b
65	Restaurant Addition (to existing 7,838 sf restaurant) 135 N. Western Ave.	Restaurant	4,066 sf	
66	TAO Restaurant 6421 W. Selma Ave.	Quality Restaurant	17,607 sf	
67	Hollywood Crossroads 1540–1552 Highland Ave.	Residential	950 du	2,309
		Hotel	308 rm	—
		Office	95,000 sf	—
		Commercial Retail	185,000 sf	—
68	Wilcox Hotel 1717 N. Wilcox Ave.	Hotel	133 rm	
		Retail	3,580 sf	
69	Faith Plating 7143 Santa Monica Blvd.	Residential	145 du	352
		Retail/Restaurant	7,858 sf	—
70	Apartments 5460 W. Fountain Ave.	Apartments	75 du	182
71	Mixed-Use 6220 W. Yucca St.	Hotel	210 rm	—
		Apartments	136 du	330
		Restaurant	6,980 sf	—
72	SunWest Project (Mixed-Use) 5525 W. Sunset Blvd.	Apartments	293 du	712
		Commercial	33,980 sf	—
73	Hollywood De Longpre Apartments 5632 De Longpre Ave.	Apartments	185 du	450
74	Ivar Gardens Hotel 6409 W. Sunset Blvd.	Hotel	275 rm	
		Retail	1,900 sf	
75	Selma Hotel 6516 W. Selma Ave.	Hotel	212 rm	
		Bar/Lounge	3,855 sf	
		Rooftop Bar/Event Space	8,500 sf	
76	Melrose Crossing Mixed-Use 7000 Melrose Ave.	Apartments	40 du	97
		Retail	6,634 sf	—
77	Mixed-Use 1657 N. Western Ave.	Apartments	91 du	221
		Retail	15,300 sf	—
78	McCadden Campus (LGBT) 1118 N. McCadden Pl.	Youth/Senior Housing	45 du	109
		Social Service Support	50,325 sf	—
		Office	17,040 sf	—
		Retail/Restaurant	1,885 sf	—
		Emergency Housing ^c	40 beds	40
		Transitional Living ^c	60 beds	60
79	4900 Hollywood Mixed-Use 4900 W. Hollywood Blvd.	Apartments	150 du	365
		Retail	13,813 sf	—
80	citizenM Hotel 1718 Vine St.	Hotel	216 rm	
		Restaurant	4,354 sf	


Table IV.F.5-2 (Continued)
Related Projects with Cumulative Library Impacts

No.^a	Project	Description	Size	Service Population^b
81	Apartments 1749 Las Palmas Ave.	Apartments	70 du	170
		Retail	3,117 sf	—
82	Mixed-Use 1868 N. Western Ave.	Apartments	96 du	233
		Retail	5,546 sf	—
83	6400 Sunset Mixed-Use 6400 Sunset Blvd.	Apartments	232 du	564
		Restaurant	7,000 sf	—
84	6200 West Sunset Boulevard 6200 W. Sunset Blvd.	Apartments	270 du	656
		Quality Restaurant	1,750 sf	—
		Pharmacy	2,300 sf	—
		Retail	8,070 sf	—
85	747 North Western Avenue 747 N. Western Ave.	Apartments	44 du	107
		Retail	7,700 sf	—
86	6630 West Sunset Boulevard 6630 W. Sunset Blvd.	Apartments	40 du	97
87	1001 North Orange Drive 1001 N. Orange Dr.	Office	53,537 sf	
88	Sunset & Western 5420 W. Sunset Blvd.	Apartments	735 du	1,786
		Commercial	95,820 sf	—
89	Hollywood & Wilcox 6430–6440 W. Hollywood Blvd.	Apartments	260 du	632
		Office	3,580 sf	—
		Retail	11,020 sf	—
		Restaurant	3,200 sf	—
90	Mixed-Use 4914 W. Melrose Ave.	Live/Work Units	45 du	109
		Retail	3,760 sf	—
91	Hospital Seismic Retrofit 1300 N. Vermont Ave.	Office	30,933 sf	
92	Onni Group Mixed-Use Development 1360 N. Vine St.	Condominiums	429 du	1,042
		Grocery Store	55,000 sf	—
		Retail	5,000 sf	—
		Restaurant	8,988 sf	—
93	1600 Schrader 1600 Schrader Blvd.	Hotel	168 rm	
		Restaurant	5,979 sf	
94	Mixed-Use 5939 W. Sunset Blvd.	Apartments	299 du	727
		Office	38,440 sf	—
		Restaurant	5,064 sf	—
		Retail	3,739 sf	—
95	Melrose & Beachwood 5570 W. Melrose Ave.	Apartments	52 du	126
		Commercial	5,500 sf	—
96	Montecito Senior Housing 6650 W. Franklin Ave.	Senior Apartments	68 du	165

Table IV.F.5-2 (Continued)
Related Projects with Cumulative Library Impacts

No.^a	Project	Description	Size	Service Population^b
97	The Chaplin Hotel Project 7219 W. Sunset Blvd.	Hotel	93 rm	
		Restaurant	2,800 sf	
98	Godfrey Hotel 1400 N. Cahuenga Blvd.	Hotel	221 rm	
		Restaurant	3,000 sf	
99	6140 Hollywood 6140 Hollywood Blvd.	Hotel	102 rm	—
		Condominiums	27 du	66
		Restaurant	11,460 sf	—
100	Selma–Wilcox Hotel 6421 W. Selma Ave.	Hotel	114 rm	
		Restaurant	1,993 sf	
101	Apartments 1601 N. Las Palmas Ave.	Apartments	86 du	209
102	1723 North Wilcox Residential 1723 N. Wilcox Ave.	Apartments	68 du	165
		Retail	3,700 sf	—
103	Select @ Los Feliz (Mixed-Use) 4850 W. Hollywood Blvd.	Apartments	101 du	245
		Restaurant	10,000 sf	—
104	7445 Sunset Grocery 7445 W. Sunset Blvd.	Specialty Grocery Store	32,416 sf	
105	1719 Whitley Hotel 1719 N. Whitley Ave.	Hotel	156 rm	
106	Kaiser Hospital Redevelopment 1317–1345 N. Vermont/1328 N. New Hampshire/4760 Sunset/1505 N. Edgemont/1526 N. Edgemont/1517 N. Vermont/1424–1430 N. Alexandria	Hospital Expansion	211,992 sf	
107	1276 North Western Avenue 1276 N. Western Ave.	Apartments	75 du	182
108	NBC Universal Evolution Plan 100 Universal City Plaza	Studio	307,949 sf	
		Studio Offices	647,320 sf	
		Office	495,406 sf	
		Entertainment	337,895 sf	
		Entertainment Retail	39,216 sf	
		Hotel	900,000 sf	
109	Hollywood Community Plan Update South of City of Burbank, City of Glendale, and SR 134; west of Interstate 5; north of Melrose Ave.; south of Mulholland Dr., City of West Hollywood, Beverly Hills, including land south of the City of West Hollywood and north of Rosewood Ave. between La Cienega Blvd. and La Brea Ave.	Based on preliminary information available from the City, the draft Hollywood Community Plan Update will propose updates to land use policies and the land use diagram. The proposed changes would primarily increase commercial and residential development potential in and near the Regional Center Commercial portion of the community and along selected corridors in the Community Plan area. The decreases in development potential would be primarily focused on low to medium scale multi-family residential neighborhoods to conserve existing density and intensity of those neighborhoods.		

Table IV.F.5-2 (Continued)
Related Projects with Cumulative Library Impacts

No.^a	Project	Description	Size	Service Population^b
	Related Projects Service Population		14,010 du 100 beds	34,143
	Project Residential Service Population		276 du	671
	Total Residential Service Population for Related Projects and Project		14,286 du 100 beds	34,814
<p><i>du = dwelling units</i> <i>sf = square feet</i> <i>stu = students</i> <i>emp = employees</i> <i>rm = rooms</i> <i>N/A = Information is not available</i> <i>— = Does not generate a residential population.</i>  = The related project is not residential in nature or does not have residential components. <i>Totals calculated have been rounded to the nearest whole number and may not sum due to rounding.</i> ^a <i>This analysis of cumulative impacts to library services only includes the related projects that are residential in nature or have residential components.</i> ^b <i>Based on a 2.43 persons per household rate for multi-family units based on the 2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Average Estimates (2012–2016) per correspondence with Jack Tsao, Research Analyst II, Los Angeles Department of City Planning, March 22, 2018.</i> ^c <i>Based on the assumption that the number of beds is equivalent to the estimated service population for this related project.</i> <i>Source: Eyestone Environmental, 2019.</i></p>				

the library sizing standards recommended in the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan, as is the case under existing conditions, the four libraries identified by the LAPL would not meet the recommended building size standards for their respective cumulative service populations under future conditions. Therefore, the addition of the projected cumulative future service populations of the Project, related projects, as well as other development in the Hollywood Community Plan area could potentially result in cumulative impacts to library services.

However, this estimate is conservative, considering that all four libraries would provide library services to the new 34,814 new residents generated by the Project and related projects, and not all 34,814 residents would utilize the four libraries equally. Residents from 43 of the related projects would reside closer to the Hollywood Regional

Branch Library,³⁶ and residents from 11 other related projects would reside closer to the John C. Fremont Branch Library.³⁷ Residents from nine of the related projects would reside closer to the Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library,³⁸ and residents from four of the related projects would reside closer to the Wilshire Branch Library.³⁹ Therefore, these residents would be more likely to utilize the libraries closer in proximity as their primary libraries. Furthermore, the estimate of the cumulative service population is largely driven by the number of related projects in the Project area. This estimate is also likely overstated as it does not consider that much of the growth associated with the Project and related projects is already accounted in the service population projections based on SCAG's projected growth. In addition, similar to the Project, each development project would generate revenues to the City's General Fund (in the form of property taxes, sales tax, business tax, etc.) that could be applied toward the provision of new library facilities, staffing, and materials for any one of the libraries serving the Project area, as deemed appropriate.⁴⁰ These revenues to the General Fund would help offset the increase in demand for library services as a result of the Project and the related projects.

Nevertheless, based on the library sizing standards recommended in the 2007 Branch Facilities Plan, the projected cumulative future service population could warrant the addition of a new branch library and/or improvements or expansions to add capacity to some of the local libraries depending on actual population growth and future library usage.⁴¹ Accordingly, LAPL will continue to monitor population growth and land development in the City and identify additional resource needs, including staffing, materials equipment, and possibly facility expansions or new facility construction needs that may become necessary to achieve the required service standards. Through the City's regular budgeting efforts, LAPL's resource needs will be identified and allocated according to the priorities at the time. At this time, LAPL has not identified any new library construction in the area impacted by this Project either because of this Project or other projects in the service area. If LAPL determines that new facilities are necessary at some point in the future, such facilities: (1) would occur where allowed under the designated land use; (2) would be located on parcels that are infill opportunities on lots that are between 0.5 and

³⁶ *Related Project Nos. 1, 2, 4, 10, 11, 18, 21, 27, 30, 33, 34, 36, 38, 40, 41, 46, 48, 49, 50, 51, 56, 64, 70, 71, 72, 73, 77, 79, 81, 82, 83, 84, 86, 88, 89, 92, 94, 96, 99, 101, 102, 103, and 107.*

³⁷ *Related Project Nos. 23, 25, 32, 37, 39, 53, 54, 60, 76, 78, and 95.*

³⁸ *Related Project Nos. 6, 26, 29, 42, 44, 59, 63, 67, and 69.*

³⁹ *Related Project Nos. 8, 61, 85, and 90.*

⁴⁰ *City of Los Angeles, Budget for the Fiscal Year 2017–18.*

⁴¹ *The Pew Research Center has found that usage of physical library facilities is declining, with 53 percent of adults having visited a library or bookmobile in the last 12 months in a survey taken in November 2012, but only 44 percent of adults having visited a library or bookmobile in the last 12 months as of December 2015. Source: Pew Research Center, Internet and Technology, Libraries and Learning, www.pewinternet.org/2016/04/07/libraries-and-learning/, accessed December 4, 2018.*

1 acre in size; and (3) could qualify for a categorical exemption under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 or 15332 or Mitigated Negative Declaration and would not be expected to result in significant impacts.

Based on the above, Project impacts on libraries would not be cumulatively considerable, and cumulative impacts would be less than significant.

Notwithstanding, the LAPL recommends a per capita fee of \$200 to be used for staff, books, computers, and other library materials. Fees would be paid by the Project Applicant, as applicable, as a condition of Project approval.

5. Mitigation Measures

Project level and cumulative impacts to library services would be less than significant. Therefore, no mitigation measures are required.

6. Level of Significance After Mitigation

Project-level and cumulative impacts to library services would be less than significant.