

REGION NORTHERN	COUNTY ALAMEDA	FREMONT WAL-MART	CLASSIFICATION CEQA 
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AQ = Air Quality • BIO = Biological Studies • CEQA = California Environmental Quality Act • NEPA = National Environmental Policy Act • NS = Noise Studies • WSA = Water Supply Assessment

 Commercial  Educational  Industrial  Institutional  Mixed Use  Residential

Impact Sciences prepared an EIR for a controversial 155,652-square-foot Wal-Mart store and Garden Center for the City of Fremont. Following an Initial Study and a Mitigated Negative Declaration, adopted by the City in May 2000, the United Food & Commercial Workers Union, Local 870 filed a legal challenge to the City's adoption of the Negative Declaration under CEQA. The court decided that an EIR would be required to address air quality, public health, and flooding concerns. The project involved the development of the site in two phases. Phase I involved a Wal-Mart store and Garden Center with associated improvements on about 13.6 acres of the project site, along with the installation of a central median and traffic signal on the roadway adjacent to the site. Phase II involved development of the remaining 3 acres of the site in industrial use. Key issues included on- and off-site flooding, traffic impacts, and air quality and public health (diesel exhaust) impacts. The EIR was upheld in Alameda County Superior Court.

