

# MARIANA ZIMMERMANN

# **Associate Principal**

Mariana leads PlaceWorks' school facilities practice area with a team of dedicated environmental planners. With over 12 years of CEQA and planning experience, Mariana works closely with K–14 public school districts, county offices of education (COE), and charter and private schools throughout the state to guide the school planning, CEQA, CDE and Title 5, and DTSC processes. She mentors school planners, ensures that projects are adequately and appropriately staffed, and provides quality control.

Mariana has managed environmental review and ensured CEQA compliance for virtually every type of schools facilities project throughout California—new campuses; school modernization; sports and aquatic fields, facilities, and lighting; and more. Before CEQA review begins (and throughout the CEQA process), she works with districts and COEs to complete feasibility assessments, site investigations, and/or hazards/environmental studies. After CEQA review is complete, Mariana supports lead agencies with the implementation of CEQA mitigation measures and regulatory compliance.

Mariana also collaborates with school business officials, architects, law firms, and private school-advising consultants. She is an active member of the Coalition of Adequate School Housing (CASH) and a graduate of the CASH Leadership Program. She has presented at CASH's annual conferences and is also active with the California Association of School Business Officials (CASBO) and the Small School District Association (SSDA).

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF EXPERIENCE

#### **Environmental Planning for School Facilities**

- Santa Ana College Access Improvement Project NOE, Rancho Santiago CCD | Santa Ana CA
- Santiago Canyon College Access Improvement Project NOE, Rancho Santiago CCD | Santa Ana CA
- Beckman HS New CTE Building and Auxiliary Gym NOE, Tustin USD | Tustin CA
- Esencia K-8 School Modular Classroom Project NOE, San Juan Capistrano USD | San Juan Capistrano CA
- Capistrano Valley HS Stadium Modernization Project NOE, San Juan Capistrano USD | San Juan Capistrano CA
- Capistrano Valley HS Stadium Project NOE, San Juan Capistrano USD | San Juan Capistrano CA
- Clare Barton ES Multi-Purpose Room NOE, Anaheim ESD | Anaheim CA
- Benjamin Franklin ES Multi-Purpose Room NOE, Anaheim ESD | Anaheim CA



# **EDUCATION**

- Master of Urban and Regional Planning, University of California, Los Angeles
- BS, Environmental Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara

## **AFFILIATIONS**

- Coalition for Adequate School Housing (CASH)
- California Association of School Business Officials (CASBO)
- Small School District Association (SSDA)
- Association of Environmental Professionals
- American Planning Association

Team member since 2019





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- Loara ES Multi-Purpose Room Building Project NOE, Anaheim ESD | Anaheim CA
- Redlands East Valley HS Stadium EIR, Redlands USD | Redlands CA
- Patriot HS Stadium Improvements IS/MND, Jurupa USD | Jurupa Valley CA
- Rancho ES Comprehensive Modernization, Temecula Valley USD | Temecula CA
- NOE at Rancho Cucamonga HS, Chaffey JUHSD | Ontario CA
- Longfellow ES Expansion EIR, Riverside USD | Riverside CA
- Field Lighting Common Sense Exemption, Nuview USD | Nuevo CA
- Paakuma ES Sports Field Lighting Project IS/MND, San Bernardino City USD | San Bernardino CA
- Bonita Vista HS Building and Site Improvement Project IS/MND, Sweetwater UHSD | Chula Vista CA
- NOEs for Stadium Modernization Projects for Mar Vista HS, Castle Park HS, Chula Vista HS, Southwest HS, Sweetwater UHSD | Chula Vista CA
- NOEs for Building and Site Improvement Projects for Castle Park HS, Mar Vista Academy, Grander Jr. HS, Sweetwater USDH | Chula Vista CA
- Otay Ranch HS Perimeter Fencing Project NOE, Sweetwater UHSD | Chula Vista CA
- East Hills Academy Student Services Building Project NOE, Sweetwater UHSD Chula Vista CA
- East Lake HS Library Rehabilitation Project, Sweetwater UHSD | Chula Vista CA
- Malibu MS and HS Campus Specific Plan EIR, Santa Monica-Malibu USD | Santa Monica CA
- Crescenta Valley HS Field Improvement EIR, Glendale USD | Glendale CA
- CEQA for James Foster ES Modernization, Saugus USD | Santa Clarita CA
- Skyblue Mesa ES Classroom Building Addition, Saugus USD | Santa Clarita CA
- Helmers ES Classroom Building Addition, Saugus USD | Santa Clarita CA
- NOEs for Solar Energy Projects, ABC USD | Cerritos CA
- Hope ES Gymnasium and Classroom Building IS/MND, Hope SD | Porterville CA
- Santa Fe ES Expansion Project IS/MND, Porterville USD | Porterville CA
- Proposition 51 Mare Island Technology Academy Renovation IS/MND, Vallejo City USD | Vallejo CA
- School Closure and Consolidation Program Project EIR, Amador County USD | Amador County CA
- Plumas Lake MS Project EIR, Plumas Lake ESD | Yuba County CA
- Battles ES TK/K Classrooms Project NOE, Santa Maria-Bonita SD | Santa Maria CA

#### **Planning for School Facilities**

- Athletic Fields Design Due Diligence Study for Buena Park HS, Fullerton Union HS, La Habra HS, Sonora HS, Sunny Hills HS, Troy HS, Fullerton Joint UnHSD | Fullerton CA
- Feasibility Study for Soccer Field Location, Huntington Beach City SD | Huntington Beach CA
- Title 5 School Facilities Assessment and Site Feasibility Analyses, Val Verde USD | Perris CA
- Title 5 School Facilities Assessment and School Facility Planning Support, River Delta USD | Rio Vista CA
- Title 5 School Facilities Assessment and Design Due Diligence, Plumas Lake ESD | Plumas Lake CA

### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Hilton Global Summer Scholar on the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals for the City of Los Angeles
- Planning Intern, City of Los Angeles Mayor's Office of Sustainability