



## SCHOOL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECTS CEQA AND PHASE I ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENTS SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA



*St. Mary's College Library Expansion*

Baseline has worked on numerous school redevelopment and expansion projects in the Bay Area. Our services include the preparation of air quality, noise, geology, hydrology, and hazardous materials sections for CEQA Initial Studies and Environmental Impact Reports. Because many of these school projects receive state funding and are subject to CEQA review, the school districts are required to prepare a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) to evaluate if there have been any releases of hazardous materials on the school property or other hazardous

material concerns that could pose a health risk to students and faculty. The Phase I ESA must be submitted to the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) for review and to determine whether additional environmental investigations are required. Additional investigations typically include sampling and analysis of soil, groundwater, soil gas, and/or indoor air quality. Based on the sampling results, a human health risk assessment must be performed to evaluate whether environmental impacts could pose an unacceptable risk to the site occupants. Overall, DTSC's role is to ensure that schools are free of contamination, or if the property is contaminated, that it is cleaned up prior to construction.

Baseline has worked closely with school districts and the DTSC to comply with the rigorous environmental review process for school sites. Recent and ongoing school projects include:

- **Davidson Middle School and Laurel Dell Elementary School**  
San Rafael City Schools Board of Education
- **Carquinez Middle School Rebuild Project**  
John Swett Unified School District
- **Winters High School Measure R and Measure D Improvements**  
Winters Joint Unified School District
- **Healdsburg High School Track/Field Improvements and Gymnasium Expansion Project**  
Healdsburg Unified School District
- **College of Alameda New Center For Liberal Arts**  
Peralta School District
- **Marin Country Day School Upper School Improvements Project**  
Town of Corte Madera
- **San Rafael High School Master Facilities Long-Range Plan and Stadium Project**  
San Rafael City Schools Board of Education
- **Saint Mary's College Campus Master Plan**  
Town of Moraga

