

Population and Housing Growth

To the extent that new employees of the expanded Walmart center would not already live within easy commuting range of the expansion project, they could be induced to move into the area, thus creating a slight increase in housing demand locally. However, typically only a few management personnel would transfer to the area, with the majority of staff usually hired from the community. The minor increase in potential housing demand which could be generated by the project would not be significant, and could be readily absorbed by the local housing inventory and/or the pending and approved residential projects which will be constructed in the nearby areas of Antioch and Brentwood over the next several years.

In summary, the proposed project would have a less-than-significant growth-inducing effect by way of producing a minor economic stimulus locally. This would occur through direct employment at the center, and through secondary demand for employees at local suppliers and service providers. The project could also result in a slight increase in local housing demand.

The project would not result in growth inducement by way of setting a precedent for further urban expansion, by creating excess infrastructure capacities, or by removing obstacles to further growth.