

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO: Governor's Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: State Water Resources Control Board
Santa Ana District
605 West Santa Ana Blvd.
Building #28, Room 325
Santa Ana, CA 92701

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 of the Public Resources Code

SCH#: 2011081028

WATER SYSTEM #: 3010094

PROJECT TITLE: Operation of Trabuco Canyon Water District (District) – Saddle Crest Reservoir and Booster Pump Station Project (Project)

LEAD AGENCY: County of Orange
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RESPONSIBLE AGENCY: State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board)
CONTACT PERSON: Ashley Dummer
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PROJECT LOCATION: The Saddle Crest Homes development includes construction of 65-single-family homes on approximately 113.7 acres located within the foothills of the Santa Ana Mountains in the southeast Orange County north of the junction of Live Oak Canyon Road with El Toro Road and east of Santiago Canyon Road. Cleveland National Forest is adjacent and north of the Saddle Crest Homes development site, Santiago Canyon Estates is located to the east; it is bounded on the south by Santiago Canyon Road and the City of Lake Forest with Limestone-Whiting Wilderness Park; and an existing residential estate is generally located along the western boundary. To minimize environmental impacts to the Project area, the homes will be clustered within the southwestern portion of the site while approximately one-third of the site will be preserved as open space. The Project reservoir site and booster pump station are located on a 0.52-acre site near the northern border of the construction area in Lot-68, within the Saddle Crest Homes development, north of the street that will be called Auburn Hills.

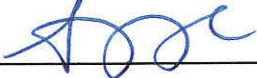
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The District proposes to construct a new water storage reservoir tank and a booster pump station to serve the Saddle Crest Homes development. The aboveground 1.5-million-gallon (MG) steel water tank, pump station, and related infrastructure will allow the District to pump water from their existing system to feed the new reservoir at a higher elevation and serve the new housing development with a gravity system to meet fire flow and domestic water service requirements. (Site preparation will be required to subgrade and compact the soils of the Project site, and the booster pump station will be located approximately 50-feet west of the steel water tank.) Construction includes installation of piping and electrical conduits for new equipment, a new reinforced concrete foundation, and construction of a new 1.5-MG welded steel tank and appurtenances. The tank will be 37-feet in height by 95-feet in diameter. Visual screening will be accomplished with planting of native/drought-tolerant landscaping and the tank will be painted a neutral tone to blend with the surrounding environment. The Project includes installation and testing of all applicable electrical and mechanical equipment such as valves, piping, and appurtenances. Booster pump station construction includes installing a new reinforced 42-foot by 24-foot concrete foundation for the building, constructing the block wall building which will have ten-foot high walls and a roof approximately 16-feet high. The booster pump station building will include a

hydro-pneumatic tank, an above ground fuel tank, a motor control center, and an emergency standby generator. An eight-foot high chain link fence with an access gate and three-strand barbed wire will be installed around the property perimeter. The land within the Project site will be used for construction purposes, storage of materials and equipment, and staging areas.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: This is to advise that the State Water Board has issued a drinking water supply permit 05-08-19PA-008 for the above described Project on November 6, 2019 and has made the following determinations regarding the Project:

1. The Project will not have significant effects on water quality.
2. An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was prepared pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the County's approval of the Project.
4. A mitigation monitoring and reporting plan was adopted by the County for this Project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted by the County for this Project.
6. Determinations were made pursuant to CEQA.

This is to certify that the record of permit issuance for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Drinking Water District Office noted above. The EIR is available from the lead agency.

Signature:  Date: November 6, 2019
Name: Ashley Dummer Title: District Engineer

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