

## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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FROM: State Water Resources Control Board  
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**SUBJECT:** Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 of the Public Resources Code.

**SCH#:** 2012081028

**WATER SYSTEM #:** 3510007

**PROJECT TITLE:** Operation of West Hills Water Treatment Plant

**LEAD AGENCY:** San Benito County Water District  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Jeff Cattaneo  
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**RESPONSIBLE AGENCY:** State Water Resources Control Board  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Jan Sweigert  
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**PROJECT LOCATION:** The West Hills Water Treatment Plant is located in the vicinity of Riverside Road and Richardson Road, just outside the southern boundary of the City of Hollister, San Benito County.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), as the responsible agency, will be issuing a water supply permit. The San Benito County Water District (SBCWD) proposed project included construction of a new water treatment plant, a raw water pump station, raw water and treated water transmission lines, and a paved access road. The new water treatment plant will be comprised of treatment facilities, solids handling facilities (including drying beds), treated water storage tanks, an administration and operations building and associated facilities. Modifications were made to the previously approved project to further improve water quality in the area, including construction of a water transmission pipeline to convey treated surface water to City Groundwater Well No. 4, and upgrades to the existing City Groundwater Well No. 4 to improve control and increase energy efficiency of the existing well pump. The project will provide for the operation of these facilities.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT:** This is to advise that the State Water Board has issued a water supply permit 02\_05\_19P\_3510007 for the above described project on May 29, 2019, and has made the following determinations regarding the project:

1. The project will not have significant effects on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report and an Addendum were prepared for this project pursuant to the provision of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were not made a condition of the issuance of this permit.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for this project.
5. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
6. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted for this project and then rescinded.

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 Environmental Impact Report and an Addendum are available from the lead agency.

The State Water Board is a responsible agency for this project and is not responsible for the Department of Fish and Wildlife filing fees.

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Signature: Jan Sweigert Date: 5/29/2019  
Name: Jan Sweigert Title: District Engineer

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