## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO:

Governor's Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812 FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board Division of Financial Assistance 1001 I Street 16<sup>th</sup> Floor Sacramento, CA 95814

**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2015032074** 

**PROJECT NUMBER: 4900568-001C** 

**DOCUMENT TITLE:** Valley Ford Water Association Water (VFWA) Supply

Improvements Project (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: In the vicinity of Valley Ford Road and School Road, Sonoma

County

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board is funding the Project referred to internally as VFWA New Well. The Project includes the installation of a second new well on an approximate 0.40-acre lease area on APN 026-050-002. The new well and an existing well will serve the existing customers of the Valley Ford Water Association as well as the parcel on which the lease is located. The above ground improvements at the well site will include one or more storage tanks with a maximum total capacity of 6,000 gallons, two pressure tanks, two small booster pumps (one for the residence and one for raw water transfers to the community), metering, and water level monitoring equipment including a Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition control system. Vegetation planting is proposed to screen the facilities from Highway 1. The Project will also include approximately 3,400 lineal feet of two-inch high-density polyethylene water transmission piping to convey the raw water from the new well site to a new treatment facility located near the existing treatment and storage facilities near the terminus of School Road. Treatment facilities will be housed in a new building located in the vicinity of the existing water storage tanks. The building will have an approximate footprint of 12 feet by 16 feet. A small tank of approximately 1,500 gallons for storage of filter backwash water will be added.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has considered the Mitigated Negative Declaration as prepared by the Lead Agency. The State Water Board has approved funding for the Project described above on February 8, 2024. The Valley Ford Water Association will be

carrying out the Project. The State Water Board has made the following California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determinations regarding the Project:

- 1. The Project will not have a significant effect on the environment. The Project will not have a significant effect on water quality impacts. This determination is limited to effects on water quality under the State Water Board's jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
- 2. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared and adopted for the Project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- 3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of approval of the Project.
- 4. A mitigation monitoring and reporting plan/program was adopted for the Project.

**LEAD AGENCY:** Sonoma County

**LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON:** Jennifer Faso

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Records of the financing approval for the Project are available to the general public upon request at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. The Mitigated Negative Declaration is available from the Lead Agency.

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