

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO:

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

FROM:

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

SCH #: 2015062073

PROJECT #: C-06-8372-110

PROJECT TITLE: Biosolids Digester Facilities Project (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project is located in the southeast part of San Francisco, bordered by a freight rail spur and the Caltrain right-of-way on the west, Rankin Street on the northwest, and the existing Southeast Water Pollution Control Plant on the northeast, east, and southeast.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board's Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program is financing the Project. The Project includes construction of new solids treatment, odor control, energy recovery, and associated facilities at the existing Southeast Water Pollution Control Plant (SEP). Replacement of the outdated existing solids treatment facilities with more reliable, efficient, and modern technologies and facilities. The Project will replace the existing digesters with new digesters and other new facilities that would produce higher-quality biosolids, capture and treat odors more effectively, and maximize digester gas utilization and energy recovery for the production of heat, steam, and electrical power. In addition, the Project intends to locate the digesters farther away from existing residences and make visual improvements in and around the SEP. The demolition of about 136,000 square feet of building area to accommodate proposed facilities. Buildings to be demolished would include structures at the Project site and at a potential staging site. In addition, underground structures would be removed at the Asphalt Plant site.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on March 10, 2020. The State Water Board has made the following California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determinations regarding the Project:

1. The Project will have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared and approved 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.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted for the Project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15091.

LEAD AGENCY: San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Alexandra Gunnell

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A record of financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. The Environmental Impact Report is available from the Lead Agency.

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