## **NOTICE OF DETERMINATION**

TO:	Santa Cruz County Clerk 701 Ocean Street, Room 520 Santa Cruz, CA 95060	FROM:	Soquel Creek Water District 5180 Soquel Drive Soquel, CA 95073 (Lead Agency)	
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TO:	$\boxtimes$	Office of Planning and Research
		P. O. Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

## SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (If submitted to SCH): 2016112045			
Project Title: Property-Related Agreements with Twin Lakes Baptist Church, Cabrillo Community College District, and the Santa Cruz Seaside Company for the Pure Water Soquel Project			

## Project Applicant: Soquel Creek Water District

Specific Project Location – Identify street address and cross street or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 ½' topographical map identified by quadrangle name

Project Location (City and/or County): City of Capitola and unincorporated Santa Cruz County (Aptos)

Project Description:

On December 18, 2018, the Soquel Creek Water District (District) certified the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR), adopted Findings of Fact (including a Statement of Overriding Considerations) and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP), and approved the Pure Water Soquel: Groundwater Replenishment and Seawater Intrusion Prevention Project (PWS or Project). The Project will supplement natural recharge of the Santa Cruz Mid-County Groundwater Basin with purified water. The purified water will be produced from existing secondary effluent from the Santa Cruz Wastewater Treatment Facility (SC WWTF) and delivered to treatment facilities located in either the City of Santa Cruz or unincorporated Santa Cruz County. Purified water will then be used to recharge the aquifer. The EIR evaluated potential environmental impacts that could occur as a result of implementing the Project and/or alternatives and provided applicable mitigation to reduce the intensity of potential environmental impacts. This included evaluation of Tertiary Treatment at the SC WWTF and an Advanced Water Purification Facility (AWPF) at the Chanticleer Site.

Since certifying the EIR and approving the Project, a parcel adjacent to the Chanticleer Site was listed for sale (New Parcel), and the District has now approved the acquisition of the New Parcel so that it can be incorporated into the design of the Project, specifically into the construction plans for the Chanticleer Site AWPF, including a building and parking area. In addition to this New Parcel, the District approved

modification of the Project to revise certain water treatment process and facility layout refinements to 1) the Tertiary Treatment System at the SC WWTF and 2) the AWPF at the Chanticleer Site. A sewer lift station and equalization tank will also be added at the AWPF on the Chanticleer Site to meet the hydraulic grade at the connection point located at Soquel Avenue and 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

An Addendum to the previously certified EIR was prepared to evaluate the potential for any new significant impacts, or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant impacts, to occur. The Addendum determined that neither the Project modifications, nor any changes in circumstances surrounding the Project, result in any new significant impact, or substantially increase the severity of an impact identified in the 2018 PWS EIR. The Addendum further determined that no new mitigation is required beyond those measures in the adopted MMRP. The Addendum was adopted on November 17, 2020.

On May 18, 2021, the Board approved three property-related agreements associated with the PWS Project. One agreement pertains to a land easement with Twin Lakes Baptist Church for a recharge well at Twin Lakes Church, the second agreement is with the Cabrillo Community College District for three monitoring wells at Cabrillo Community College, and the third agreement is for a pipeline easement with Santa Cruz Seaside Company at the Auto Plaza area off 41st Ave. These activities are a part of the PWS Project evaluated in the certified EIR and Addendum, and, pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21166 and State CEQA Guidelines section 15162, approval of these property-related agreements will result in no new or more severe impacts requiring additional environmental review of the approval action.

Identify the person or entity undertaking the project, including any private applicant, any other person undertaking an activity that receives financial assistance from the Public Agency as part of the project, and any person receiving a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement of use from the Public Agency as part of the project.

Soquel Creek Water District, Twin Lakes Church, the Cabrillo Community College District, and the Santa Cruz Seaside Company

This is to advise that the (X Lead Agency or Responsible Agency) has taken the above described	
action with respect to the project on May 18, 2021 and has made the following determinations regarding the	
above described project:	

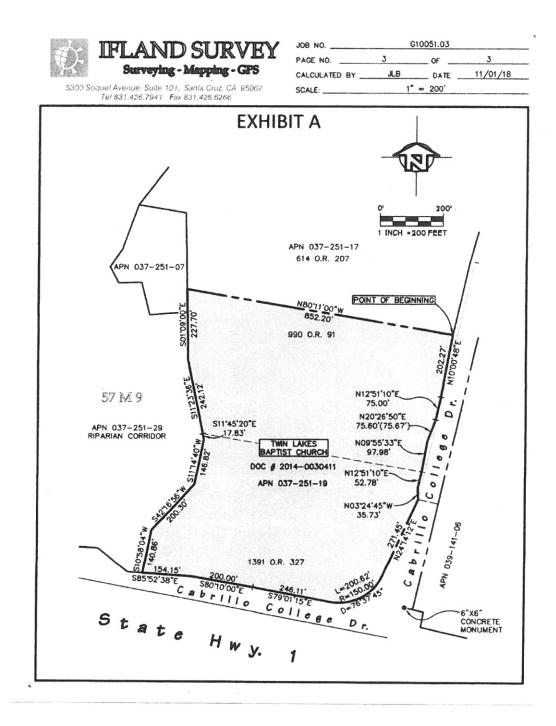
1. [		The project will have a significant effect on the environment.
	$\boxtimes$	The proposed project modifications will NOT have a significant effect on the environment
2. [		An Addendum to a previously certified Environmental Impact Report was prepared and adopted for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.
[		A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.
Ľ		A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.
3.		Mitigation measures, identified in the previously certified EIR, were made a condition of the approval of the project.
		Mitigation measures were NOT made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. [	$\bowtie$	A Mitigation Monitoring or Reporting Plan was adopted for the originally approved project.
Ľ		A Mitigation Monitoring or Reporting Plan was NOT adopted for this project.

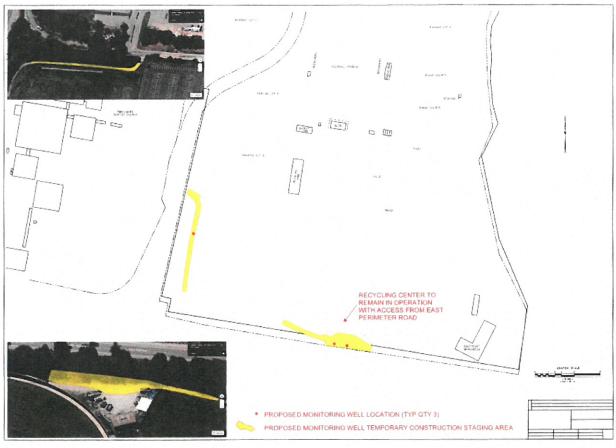
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5.	$\boxtimes$	A Statement of Overriding Considerations was originally adopted for this project.
		A Statement of Overriding Considerations was NOT adopted for this project
6.	$\boxtimes$	Findings pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21166 and State CEQA Guidelines section 15162 relating to subsequent environmental review were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
		Findings were NOT made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
		This is to certify that the previously certified Final EIR and previously adopted Addendum, are available to General Public at: Soquel Creek Water District Office, 5180 Soquel Drive, Soquel CA 95071.

Date: 5/19/2021	Melanie Mow Schumacher Title: Special Projects Communications Mgr.
Date Received for Filing:	

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference Section 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.





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