

## 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:** 2019029091

**PROJECT NUMBER:** 8218-110

**DOCUMENT TITLE:** West Valley Water Reclamation Program (Project)

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The Project is located in the City of Desert Hot Springs and surrounding unincorporated areas including the villages of Palm Springs Crest and West Palm Springs in Riverside County.

**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 referred to internally as West Valley Water Reclamation Program. The Project has three components: construction of the West Valley Water Reclamation Facility (WVWRF), construction of a conveyance system connecting existing sewer areas to the WVWRF, and construction a collection system for the Applicant's Groundwater Quality Protection Program Area M2. The sewer conveyance system begins near the intersection of Avenida Manzana and Dillon Road, continues west along Dillon Road to Little Morongo Road, then south along Little Morongo Road to the WVWRF. The conveyance line consists of approximately 7,531 lineal feet of dual 12-inch polyvinylchloride (PVC) force mains and 8,923 lineal feet of 33-inch to 36-inch gravity sewer (VCP). For the conveyance line, the required trench depths and widths range from 4' to 15' deep and from 2' to 4' wide. The Area M2 collection system consists of the installation of approximately 25,260 linear feet of 4-inch gravity sewer and 17,272 lineal feet of 8-inch gravity sewer pipeline (vitrified clay), with short runs of 12-inch to 15-inch gravity sewer.

The WVWRF consists of a Sequence Batch Reactor wastewater treatment system; and will be installed and begin operation of Phase 1 with design flow of 1.5 million gallons per day (MGD). Initial flows are projected to be 0.20 MGD, and by the end of Year 1, flows are projected to reach 0.29 MGD. Flows are projected to gradually increase to 1.0 MGD by Year 7 and 1.2 MGD by Year 9. The WVWRF will be constructed in phases with ultimate "build-out" capacity of up to 20 MGD.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT:** The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on August 16, 2022. The Mission Springs Water District 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 Environmental Impact Report 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:** Mission Springs Water District

**LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON:** Danny Friend

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

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