

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES**

1416 NINTH STREET, P.O. BOX 942836  
SACRAMENTO, CA 94236-0001  
(916) 653-5791



April 12, 2019

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

APR 16 2019

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

Steve Gonzales  
Associate Planner  
City of Colton  
659 North La Cadena Drive  
Colton, California 92324

RE: SCH# 2019039149 Ashley Way Logistics Center Project Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND)

Dear Mr. Gonzales,

The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) staff has reviewed the city of Colton's Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Ashley Way Logistics Center Project IS/MND. As a responsible agency, DWR appreciates the opportunity to provide comments and inform you that portions of the proposed project encroach on DWR's right-of-way.

Specifically, the western edge of the project lies within the right-of-way for DWR's Santa Ana Pipeline (SAPL), part of the State Water Project (SWP). The IS/MND for the proposed project describes grading, paving and landscaping elements to be constructed within SWP right-of-way and over the SAPL. Water Code Section 12899 and California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Division 2, Chapter 6, Articles 1 - 10 detail the requirement that any proposed encroachments or construction within SWP right-of-way shall first get written authorization from DWR, regardless of whether the State owns fee title or has an easement, license, permit, or joint use agreement. More information on encroachments within SWP right-of-way, including links to the statutes/regulations, forms for an Encroachment Permit, and temporary access to SWP right-of-way for preliminary non-construction purposes, can be found at the following web address:

<https://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Real-Estate/Encroachment-Permits>.


Please send a copy of any subsequent environmental documentation or correspondence relating to this project to:

Leroy Ellinghouse, Chief  
SWP Right-of-Way Management Section  
Division of Operations and Maintenance  
Department of Water Resources  
1416 Ninth Street, Room 641-1  
Sacramento, California 95814

If you have any questions about these comments or the process to obtain written authorization from DWR, you may contact Leroy Ellinghouse or my staff at (916) 653-7168.

Mr. Steve Gonzales  
April 12, 2019  
Page 2

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Behzad Soltanzadeh". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Behzad Soltanzadeh, Chief  
Assistant Division Chief 1  
Division of Operations & Maintenance  
Department of Water Resources