

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: **2019049037**

Project Title: Basin Maintenance for Water Recharge – Waterman Spreading Grounds

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Project Location: San Bernardino
City

San Bernardino
County

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District proposes to annually recharge up to 30,000-acre feet per year (AFY) of State Water Project (SWP), or an average of 15,000 AFY based on water availability, in the Waterman Spreading Grounds in San Bernardino, which are owned and operated by the San Bernardino Flood Control District (SBCFCD). To facilitate the recharge, specific maintenance activities are required in 10 of the 12 existing percolation basins in the Waterman Spreading Grounds (Proposed Project). Maintenance would generally be conducted in two cycles, one in the late winter/early spring and again in the late summer/early fall and would consist of removing vegetation and excess sediment, ripping/scraping the basin floors, and repair of various basin structures of only the areas of the basins in the Spreading Grounds that will be used for recharge. The basins will continue to attenuate storm water when needed. The two basins outside the Valley District Proposed Project area would be maintained by SBCFCD for flood control purposes under their own permit and are not part of the Proposed Project.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Biological - routine maintenance to the basins will reduce both native and non-native vegetation growth in the basins along with reducing vector issues. Mitigation for loss of 40 acres of CA Dept Fish and Wildlife jurisdictional areas has been determined as restoration of off-site 40 acres or purchasing credits, depending on agency preference. Other biological measures include nesting bird surveys.

Cultural and Geo - provisions for unanticipated finds.

Hydrological - includes typical BMPs used by County to protect water resources.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

No areas of controversy.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

CA Dept of Fish and Wildlife
CA Regional Water Quality Control Board
San Bernardino County Dept. of Public Works