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NID E. George to Lake Wildwood Backbone Extension Pipeline Project Final Mitigated Negative Declaration Approval

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO:

Nevada County 950 Maidu Avenue Suite 210

Nevada City, CA 95959

CC:

Office of Planning and Research 1400 10th Street Sacramento, California 95814 FROM:

Nevada Irrigation District 1036 West Main Street Grass Valley, CA 95945

SUBJECT:

Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 of the Public

Resources Code

PROJECT TITLE:

NID E. George to Lake Wildwood Backbone Extension Pipeline Project

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Project Approval: The Nevada Irrigation District approved the NID E. George to Lake Wildwood Backbone Extension Pipeline Project on August 14, 2019.

Project Location: The Project is generally located along 5.6 miles of Rough and Ready Highway in Nevada County, California. The proposed alignment would install approximately 5.6 miles of 16 or 20 inch underground pipeline depending on location within the existing County right-of-way/public roads along Rough and Ready Highway (at West Drive), Rough and Ready Road, Minnow Lane, and Lake Wildwood Drive (at Chaparral Drive). Easement acquisition would be required along private roads Empty Diggins Lane, Riffle Box Road, and Bosa Drive as well as the non-roadway segments at the west end of Riffle Box Road and east of Minnow Lane (along a future fire access road).

Project Description: The Project is located along the Rough and Ready Highway and other roads in Nevada County, California. The project spans an approximately 5.6-mile linear alignment that has two sections where it deviates from the roadway and extends across private land. Below is the total alignment and approximate section lengths:

- Along Rough and Ready Highway from West Drive (easternmost Project boundary) to Rough and Ready Road (approximately 2.5 miles).
- From Rough and Ready Highway, the Project continues west along Rough and Ready Road to Riffle Box Road (approximately 1.75 miles).
- The Project continues approximately 460 feet west along Riffle Box Road. At this point Riffle Box Road then makes a sharp turn north; however, the Project alignment continues east, cross country approximately 830 feet, where it rejoins Rough and Ready Road.
- The Project then continues west 209 feet, where it turns south onto Empty Diggins Lane

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- From the intersection of Rough and Ready Road and Empty Diggins Lane, the Project continues southwest along Empty Diggins Road to Bosa Drive (approximately 0.3 mile).
- The Project then turns north on Bosa Drive and continues approximately 0.3 mile to a private driveway.
- The Project follows the private driveway west approximately 90 feet to where the driveway makes a turn to the south. The Project would continue along the driveway approximately 500 feet, to where it joins Minnow Way. This area is to be improved as a fire lane by Lake Wildwood HOA.
- The Project then follows Minnow Way approximately 475 feet west to Lake Wildwood Drive.
- At the intersection of Lake Wildwood and Minnow Way, the Project turns north along Lake Wildwood Drive.
- The Project follows Lake Wildwood Drive approximately 0.3 mile north to Chaparral Drive, where it ends at the westernmost boundary.

Alternative Alignment

In addition to the proposed Project, this Initial Study also evaluates an alternative pipeline segment (Alternative Segment). The Alternative Segment is shown in Figure 2-2, Sheet 8 and is located near the western end of the proposed alignment on property owned by the Lake Wildwood Homeowner's Association.

The Alternative Segment begins on the east at Empty Diggins Road and extends southwesterly along an existing dirt road approximately 525 feet. From that point, the Alternative Segment turns north, continuing along an existing dirt road for an additional 1,270 feet until it ties back into the proposed alignment at the western terminus of Bosa Drive. If selected this alternative would replace the 0.30 mile Bosa Drive segment which would eliminate the need for excavation/cuts in existing road pavement and minimize related traffic delays associated with construction.

Pipeline Details

The majority of the Project would be constructed within existing roadways, except where it would cross private property between Riffle Box Road and Rough and Ready Road near Empty Diggins Lane. Another short segment would cross private property just east of Minnow Lane within a private driveway. Appurtenances such as fire hydrants, Pressure Reducing Valve Stations, and service lines and meter boxes would be placed on the shoulder of the road at the adjacent property lines. Stub-outs for future pipeline extensions would also be installed.

NID, as the Lead Agency, has approved the above-described project and has made the following determinations:

1. There is no substantial evidence that the Proposed Project will have a significant effect on the environment;

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- 2. In accordance with CEQA, a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Proposed Project was prepared. The Mitigated Negative Declaration has been approved by NID, which is the Lead Agency for the Proposed Project. The Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment and analysis of NID;
- 3. Mitigation measures were required to be made a condition of approval of the Proposed Project; and
- 4. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not required to be adopted for the Proposed Project.
- 5. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan was adopted for the Proposed Project.

This is to certify that the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the general public at:

Nevada Irrigation District 1036 West Main Street Grass Valley, CA 95945

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