



Orange County Water District
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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Orange County Water District
18700 Ward Street
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Orange County Clerk Recorder
12 Civic Center Plaza, Room 101
Santa Ana, CA 92701

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

Project Title: Talbert Extract Well Decommissioning Project

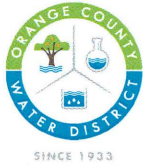
State Clearinghouse Number: SCH 2019069060

Applicant: Orange County Water District
Lead Agency: Orange County Water District
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Project Location: The Project would generally be located within the southeastern portion of the City of Huntington Beach with the new proposed monitoring well installation near the Santa Ana River along the City of Huntington Beach's easternmost boundary. The Project components would be located on the USGS Newport Beach Quadrangle Map, Township 6 South, Range 10 West and within Sections 1, 7, 11 and 17.

City: Orange in Orange County

Project Description: The proposed project involves the destruction and permanent decommissioning of seven (7) extraction wells including demolition of the associated structures and pipeline and construction of one (1) new monitoring well within the City of Huntington Beach, California. The extraction wells and associated pipelines were constructed in the 1960s by OCWD as components of a system intended to extract and convey saline groundwater within the Talbert Gap in an effort to reduce the potential for seawater intrusion into the Orange County Groundwater Basin. Operation of the extraction wells was stopped in 1981 and all components of the system are inactive. The proposed



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Project would be intended to permanently decommission the inactive components of the extraction well system and install one new monitoring well on City of Huntington Beach right of way.

This Notice of Determination is to advise that the Orange County Water District (Lead Agency) has approved the above described project on August 21, 2019 and has made the following determination regarding the above described project:

- The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval for this project.
- A Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted for this project.
- Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

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:

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	<i>Principal Planner</i>	<i>8-22-19</i>
Signature	Title	Date

County Clerk: Please post for 30 days in accordance with Section 21152(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act.

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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