NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY FOR THE DRAFT INITIAL STUDY GALLINAS LEVEE UPGRADE PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Draft Initial Study (IS) has been completed for the project identified below and is on file with the Marin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District-Department of Public Works, 3501 Civic Center Drive, Room 304, San Rafael, California and is available for public review between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The Draft IS can also be accessed at the Marin County Library - Civic Center Branch and online at http://www.marinwatersheds.org/resources/projects/gallinas-levee-upgrade-project.

The Project would undertake upgrades to the levee along the south bank of South Fork Gallinas Creek in the unincorporated community of Santa Venetia (north and east of the City of San Rafael). Proposed elements include: reconstruct an existing wooden structure, the Timber-Reinforced Berm, or TRB, that is a crucial component of the levee system that protects the neighborhood from flooding; reinforce one discharge pipe at Pump Station 2; and, safely abandon one pipe near Pump Station 5

Project construction is estimated to occur over two-three years starting as early as 2020. In addition to certification of this IS, regulatory permits from State and Federal agencies are required to construct these projects. Additional details about the Project are provided online at http://www.marinwatersheds.org/resources/projects/gallinas-levee-upgrade-project.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that this Notice of Availability of the Draft IS commences a 30day public review period beginning on July 3, 2019. Written comments on the environmental review will be accepted at the Marin Public Works Offices in Suite 304 until the close of the public review period at 4 p.m. on August 5, 2019. Commenters are advised to mail written comments postmarked on or before August 5, 2019 to the attention of Laurie Williams, Senior Watershed Planner at 3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 304, San Rafael, CA 94903. Comments can also be submitted via email to Iwilliams@marincounty.org before the end of the comment period deadline.

July 3, 2019

Laurie Williams Senior Watershed Planner



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