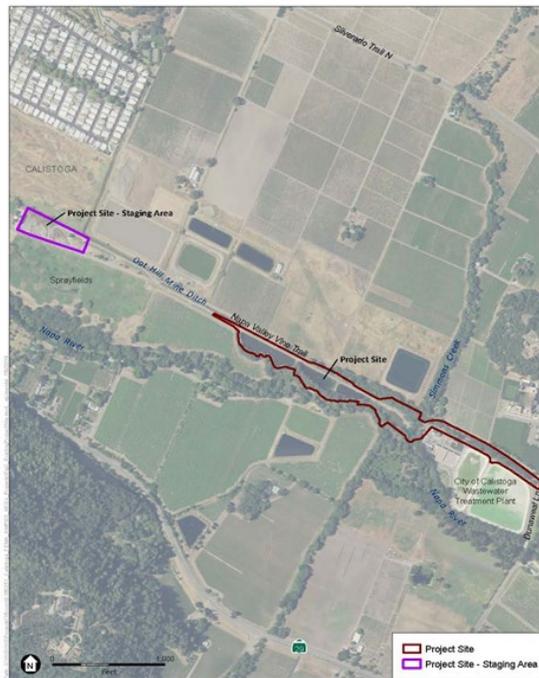




## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION Calistoga Riverside Ponds Project

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an Initial Study for the above-referenced project has been prepared. The Public Works Department has determined that the proposed project as amended by the included mitigation measures will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment. The City intends to adopt an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project.

**Project Description:** The proposed Project would be located on portions of the Dunaweal Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) in the City of Calistoga. The proposed Project would protect the City of Calistoga WWTP riverside ponds, WWTP headworks structure, and associated critical infrastructure from flooding, erosion, and catastrophic bank failure that currently threatens the continuous uninterrupted operation of the WWTP. Components of the proposed Project include relocation of the four riverside ponds to two riverside ponds, realignment of river channels away from existing infrastructure, restoration of riparian vegetation buffers, stabilization of channel banks, and associated drainage and underground utilities (i.e., stormwater conveyance ditch, pipes, and effluent pump stations). No temporary construction easements or land acquisitions would be required for construction of the proposed Project, as it is located on an existing City of Calistoga Right of Way.



SOURCE: USDA, 2016; ESA, 2019

Calistoga Riverside Ponds

**Figure 2**  
Existing Project Site



**Applicant:** The City of Calistoga

**Mitigation Measures:** Potential adverse impacts have been found to be mitigated to less than significant, as discussed under the following topical areas in the Initial Study:

- Aesthetics
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Geology and Soils
- Hydrology & Water Quality
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Utilities and Service Systems

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Derek Rayner, Acting Director of Public Works, Calistoga Public Works Department at (707) 942-2828 or [drayner@ci.calistoga.ca.us](mailto:drayner@ci.calistoga.ca.us).

**Location of Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and reference materials:** City of Calistoga, Public Works Department, 414 Washington Street, Calistoga, CA 94515. The Draft IS/MND can also be viewed online at the following URL: <http://www.ci.calistoga.ca.us/city-hall/departments-services/public-works-department/capital-projects/ceqa-california-environmental-quality-act>. The Draft IS/MND is also available for public review by request at the Calistoga Branch Library at 1108 Myrtle St., Calistoga, CA 94515.

**Public Review Period:** Comments on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will be accepted between August 29, 2019 through September 30, 2019. Please address comments to Derek Rayner, City of Calistoga, Public Works Department, 414 Washington Street, Calistoga, CA 94515.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY OF CALISTOGA PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT



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