



## Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration

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**TO:** Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, Interested Parties

**LEAD AGENCY:** City of Beverly Hills

**PROJECT TITLE:** La Brea Subarea Well and Transmission Main Project

**REVIEW PERIOD:** September 23, 2019 through October 23, 2019

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The City of Beverly Hills (City), as the Lead Agency pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), is proposing to implement the La Brea Subarea Well and Transmission Main Project (proposed project or project). The proposed project would include the construction of a groundwater production well in the La Brea Subarea, the rehabilitation of existing (inactive) 18- and 24-inch pipelines, and the connection of the rehabilitated pipelines to a newly constructed raw water transmission main with a diameter of 16-inches (collectively referred to as the “proposed transmission main”). The proposed transmission main<sup>1</sup> would connect the proposed production well to the City’s existing Foothill Water Treatment Plant (WTP) for treatment and supply. The project will support improvement of local water supply reliability for the City by developing up to 1,700 acre feet per year (AFY) of new potable water supply. While there may be a need to develop additional wells in the area to accomplish the proposed water production goal, the location and timing of any such wells is unknown at this time.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The proposed project would be located within two jurisdictions; the City of Beverly Hills and the City of Los Angeles. The proposed Well Site would be implemented on a Beverly Hills owned property located at 1956 Chariton Street in the City of Los Angeles. The proposed transmission main, in its entirety would be approximately four miles long. The proposed rehabilitation area of the transmission main (existing 18- and 24-inch inactive pipelines) would proceed north within La Cienega Boulevard to Olympic Boulevard in the City of Los Angeles, then west through the Frank Fenton Field at La Cienega Park in the City of Beverly Hills. The alignment in Beverly Hills will continue north on Le Doux Road, then west on Clifton Way (see Figure 1) to connect to the proposed 16-inch new pipeline. The length of the proposed new 16-inch transmission main would then continue westward until turning north on North Swall Drive, then west on Dayton Way, until turning north on North Palm Drive, then continue westward on 3<sup>rd</sup> street, and finally through the City yard to connect to the utilities inlet side of the Foothill WTP (see Figure 1).

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<sup>1</sup> The transmission main would be sized to accommodate 3,000 gallons per minute (gpm), which would be from the currently proposed well and, potentially, other wells in the area although the need for and locations of any such future wells is unknown at this time.

**HAZARDOUS WASTE DISCLOSURE:** The project site is not included on any lists enumerated under Government Code Section 65962.5, which includes but is not limited to lists of hazardous waste facilities, properties, and disposal sites.

**FINDINGS/ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:** The City, as the Lead Agency has prepared an Initial Study (IS) to provide the public, trustee and responsible agencies with information about the potential effects on the local and regional environment associated with the proposed project. The IS describes potentially significant impacts on biological resources, cultural resources, hazards and hazardous materials, noise, transportation, and tribal cultural resources. Mitigation measures have been identified for these environmental topics to reduce impacts to less than significant levels. Effects found to be less than significant and those with no environmental impacts are also described in the IS. The IS concludes that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment. The City hereby proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for this project.

**PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENTS:** A 30-day public review period for the IS/MND will commence on September 23, 2019, and end October 23, 2019, for interested individuals and public agencies to submit written comments on the document. Any written comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration must be received by the City by **5:00 PM on October 23, 2019**. Comments received during the public review period and responses to the comments will be included in the final environmental document. Comments can be submitted in person or by mail to the address below, or by electronic mail to the email address listed below.

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Attn: Tristan Malabanan, P.E., Project Manager  
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Phone: 310-285-2467 (BH Public Works Customer Service)

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** Copies of the IS/MND are available for review online at the City of Beverly Hills Web Site: <http://www.beverlyhills.org/lcwell>, and at the following locations:

- Beverly Hills Public Library, 444 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90210;
- Beverly Hills Public Works Building, 345 Foothill Road, Beverly Hills, CA 90210
- Palms-Ranch Park Branch Library, 2920 Overland Avenue, Los Angeles, CA, 90064; and
- Fairfax Branch Library, 161 S. Gardner Street, Los Angeles, CA, 90036.



