NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE CITY OF LEMOORE WATER TREATMENT PLANTS PROJECT

Notice is hereby given, that a public hearing will be held by the City Council of the City of Lemoore on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard in the Council Chambers at 429 C Street, Lemoore, California 93245 to consider the proposed City of Lemoore Water Treatment Plants Project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act.

Groundwater in the Lemoore region is characterized by the presence of naturally occurring total organic carbon (TOC) and other contaminants. When TOC concentrations are elevated, higher than typical concentrations of chlorine are needed to meet regulated potable water disinfection criteria. A consequence of this relationship is the potential for the development of disinfection byproducts such as total trihalomethane (TTHM). On October 27, 2014, the California Department of Drinking Water (DDW) issued TTHM Compliance Order No. 03-12-14R-004 to the City to address the presence of TTHM above its regulated levels. The proposed project would include the construction of two new WTPs (Station 7 WTP and Station 11 WTP) at two existing well sites, Well Site 7 and Well Site 11, to comply with the DDW compliance order. Well Site 7 is located on the west side of the City along Bush Street across the street from West Hills College and Well Site 11 is located on the north side of the City at the northeast corner of the intersection of Glendale Avenue and 18th Avenue.

On the basis of the Initial Study, the environmental coordinator has concluded that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and, therefore, has prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration. Copies of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file and available for review on the City's website (https://lemoore.com) and at City Hall, Public Works Department, 711 W. Cinnamon Drive, and are available for inspection by any and all persons interested therein. This notice is given in order to provide all parties an opportunity to be heard and to present their views regarding this application. The review period will run from September 30, 2019 to October 30, 2019. Please send your comments to Amanda Champion, Management Analyst, 711 W. Cinnamon Drive, Lemoore, California 93245 or by email at achampion@lemoore.com. Additional information may be obtained by contacting Mrs. Champion by telephone at (559) 924-6744 ext. 701 or at the email address listed above.

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DATED: September 25, 2019

Marisa Avalos, City Clerk