

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE PROPOSED ZONE A TO RATTLESNAKE RESERVOIR PUMP STATION PROJECT

This is to inform the general public that Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) proposes to adopt an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the **Zone A to Rattlesnake Reservoir Pump Station Project**.

Project Description: IRWD proposes to replace the existing Rattlesnake Reservoir Pump Station No. 2 (RRPS2) with a new Zone A to Rattlesnake Reservoir Pump Station (ZARRPS) at the Rattlesnake Reservoir Complex. The proposed project includes demolition and replacement of the existing RRPS2 with the ZARRPS equipped with all electric motor-driven pumps to meet current capacity demand and future Michelson Water Recycling Plant (MWRP) production including all associated pipelines and appurtenances; demolition of the Northwood Zone A to B pump station; demolition of the existing septic system and extension of the existing sewer piping to connect to the existing caretaker's house, the park bathroom sewer lateral, and a new bathroom to be located within the existing chlorination facility to the existing sewer system near the site; demolition and removal of above- and below-grade abandoned facilities within the Complex; demolition and replacement of the existing dechlorination storage and feed equipment: construction of a new filtration system intended for increased algae control, demolition and removal of the existing Hellan strainers, demolition and removal of the existing Rattlesnake Reservoir return pump station, construction of the new Rattlesnake Reservoir return pump station, construction of new automatic filters and backwash pumps in an enclosed building, piping improvements and appurtenances, and electrical improvements; installation of a permanent standby power generator; new site electrical service and undergrounding of a portion of the overhead electrical and communication cables; replacement and/or upgrades to the Complex's communications equipment; improvements to the site entry road and general site facilities, including pavement, curb and gutter, and drainage facilities.

Project Location: The Rattlesnake Reservoir Complex is located at 4769 Portola Parkway in the City of Irvine, California.

Public Review Period: The IS/MND is being made available for public review for a period of 30 days beginning January 6, 2020 and ending February 4, 2020. All written comments must be received in the offices of IRWD by 4:00 P.M. on February 4, 2020.

Public Meeting: The Board will consider adoption of the IS/MND and any comments received at a regularly scheduled Board meeting to be held on February 24, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. at IRWD's Board Room, located at 15600 Sand Canyon Avenue, Irvine, CA 92618.

The IS/MND as well as all referenced documents will be available for public review at IRWD's website: www.irwd.com and is also available at the Irvine/Katie Wheeler Library, located at 13109 Old Myford Road, Irvine, CA 92602. All comments on the IS/MND should be directed to IRWD's Water Resources Department, Attention: Jo Ann Corey at the above listed address. If you have any questions or would like any additional information, please contact IRWD at (949) 453-5300.