## Notice of Intention to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration / Notice of Availability

**Notice is Hereby Given:** The City of Avenal is the Lead Agency on the below-described project and has prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration on the proposed Sanitary Sewer Collection System and Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project (Project). The complete Project description, location and the potential environmental effects are contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND). The MND has concluded that no significant environmental impacts will occur as a result of the Project.

**Project Title:** Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Avenal Sanitary Sewer Collection System and Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

**Project Location:** The proposed Project is located throughout the City of Avenal, north and east of Highway 33 in western Kings County, California. Sewer pipeline infrastructure is dispersed throughout the City, east of State Route 33 and north and south of State Route 269. The existing wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) is approximately 1.95 miles southeast of the intersection of State Route 33 and State Route 269, on the east side of State Route 33.

**Project Description:** This Project will involve replacing or rehabilitating approximately 65,229 linear feet of existing sewer main pipeline within the City of Avenal and upgrading existing infrastructure at the WWTP. Sewer main pipeline improvements will consist of "in-kind" rehabilitation and replacements of the City's gravity sewer mains. Improvements to the WWTP consist of replacing or rehabilitating valves, screens, gates, control systems, and other necessary improvements. All WWTP repairs or upgrades will be completed within the existing WWTP footprint and will not involve new ground disturbance.

**Document Availability and Public Review Timeline:** Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your response to the Mitigated Negative Declaration must be sent at the earliest possible date *but not later than 30 days* after receipt of this notice. The review period for the Mitigated Negative Declaration will be from <u>January 11, 2020</u> to <u>February 12, 2020</u>. Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration can be reviewed at the City of Avenal, 919 Skyline Boulevard, Avenal, CA 93204.

Please send your comments to Melissa Whitten, City Manager at the address shown above or by phone: (559) 386-5766.

**City Council Consideration:** The Avenal City Council intends to consider the Mitigated Negative Declaration on:

Date: Thursday, February 13, 2020

Time: On or after 5:15 p.m.

**Location:** Avenal Theater

233 E. Kings Street Avenal, CA 93204