

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT  
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION  
FOR THE LS 1269 SEWER FORCE MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
LEAD AGENCY: WESTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Western Municipal Water District (District) is proposing the Lift Station (LS) 1269 Sewer Force Main Replacement Project (project) to construct approximately 21,800 linear feet (LF) of new 14-inch diameter force main that generally follows the same alignment as the existing EGETS Site 31 8-inch diameter PVC force main between the March Air Reserve Base (MARB) and the Western Water Recycling Facility. The majority of construction would take place within existing roadways, in the public right-of-way (ROW), via trenching methods. Special construction via jack-and-bore method would be required to avoid impacts when traversing waterways, the Interstate-215 (I-215), and existing railroad tracks.

Construction of the project would be completed in approximately 10 months. Construction would occur in a linear fashion within one lane of traffic (approximately 12-feet wide). Per the District standards, the maximum length of trench that would be opened or partially opened at any one time would be limited to 500 LF. Construction staging areas outside of existing roadway pavement and/or disturbance) are not expected. However, if temporary staging areas are required outside the project alignment, the contractor would coordinate the use of empty parking lots and other developed areas near the project alignment. No project staging would occur within adjacent non-native grasslands or other potentially sensitive habitat areas.

The project would require encroachment permits with Caltrans District 8, the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA), City of Perris, the City of Moreno Valley, and Riverside County. In addition, a Dig Permit must be obtained from the MARB for work proposed within the MARB containment area.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The proposed project is located within the County of Riverside, approximately 80 miles north of San Diego County and 60 miles east of Los Angeles County. Regional access to the project site is provided via I-215. Primary local access to the project site is provided via Harley Knox Boulevard.

The approximately 21,800 LF alignment would traverse MARB, City of Moreno Valley, City of Perris, County of Riverside, Caltrans, and SCRRA jurisdictions. The proposed project would cross I-215 within Caltrans ROW, and cross existing railroad tracks within the SCRRA ROW. The remainder of the proposed project would be constructed within public ROW.

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**PUBLIC REVIEW AND WRITTEN COMMENTS:** The public review period for submitting written comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration, pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15105, commences on February 27, 2020 and will close on March 27, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions regarding the project or the Mitigated Negative Declaration, please contact Sonia Huff via e-mail or phone, as indicated above.

Written comments should be addressed to: Sonia Huff, Senior Civil Engineer  
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**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** The Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for review at three locations and on the District's website:

1. The District, located at the address above.
2. District's website at [www.wmwd.com/PublicNotices](http://www.wmwd.com/PublicNotices)
3. Moreno Valley Public Library  
25480 Alessandro Boulevard  
Moreno Valley, CA 92553
4. Orange Terrace Library  
20010 Orange Terrace Parkway  
Riverside, CA 92508