

# Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Facilities Improvements

Lead Agency: Laton Community Services District

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Project Location: Laton Fresno  
*City* *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The Project addresses wastewater treatment process reliability, physical deficiencies and improves effluent disposal capabilities on District-owned land. The Project is located in a rural area adjacent to the Kings River and separated from the community of Laton by irrigation canals. Surrounding land uses include recreational, agricultural, residential and educational.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The Proposed Project site includes areas considered as "Disturbed Riparian" by the District's Biological Evaluation Report (Report). This area consists of riparian woodland habitat that has been subjected to routine discing and mowing for vegetation control of non-native grasses. Construction could impact the riparian woodland native trees. The Report determined that the magnitude of the potential impacts could be reduced to a less than significant level through the incorporation of the following mitigation practices: survey of native trees and subsequent revegetation plan to compensate for the removal native riparian trees.

The Report established that the potential exists for construction-related mortality and/or disturbances of western pond turtles, nesting raptors and birds, and roosting bats. The Report also established the potential for the loss of riparian habitat. The Report determined that the magnitude of the potential impacts could be reduced to a less than significant level through the incorporation of the following mitigation practices: scheduling of construction during low risk times of year, preconstruction surveys, environmental awareness training, avoidance of active nests and roosts and possible restoration to compensate for native riparian trees. Preventive measures shall be incorporated into construction documents to avoid potential impacts.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

No known areas of controversy.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.