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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

Notice of Completion and Environmental Document Transmittal for the Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Facilities Improvements Project
SCH# 2020030908
Fresno County

Dear Mr. Wegley:

The Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) has reviewed the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Facilities Improvements Project. This project includes the construction of headworks, a pump station, aeration and settling tanks/basins, sludge drying facilities, and associated pipelines to replace existing facilities.

The project description does not provide enough information to make an accurate jurisdictional determination for the settling tanks or basin. Furthermore, it is unclear whether part or all the work will be subject to State jurisdiction for dam safety. Therefore, Laton Community Services District must submit preliminary plans for each of the proposed basins and the water tank so that DSOD can make an accurate jurisdictional determination.

As defined in Sections 6002 and 6003, Division 3, of the California Water Code, dams 25 feet or higher with a storage capacity of more than 15 acre-feet, and dams higher than 6 feet with a storage capacity of 50 acre-feet or more are subject to State jurisdiction. The dam height is the vertical distance measured from the maximum possible water storage level to the downstream toe of the barrier.

If any of the dams are subject to State jurisdiction, a construction application, together with plans, specifications, and the appropriate filing fee, must be filed with DSOD for this project. All dam safety-related issues must be resolved prior to the approval of the application, and the work must be performed under the direction of a Civil Engineer registered in California. Erik Malvick, our Design Engineering Branch Chief, is responsible for the application process and can be reached at (916) 565-7840.

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact Area Engineer William F. Vogler at (916) 565-7828 or me at (916) 565-7827.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Draeger".

Richard Draeger, Southern Regional Engineer
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