

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Valley County Water District New Headquarters Project

Lead Agency: Valley County Water District

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Project Location: Baldwin Park Los Angeles
City *County*

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

The Valley County Water District (District) is proposing the construction and operation of a new 15,122 square-foot District headquarters that would include two main buildings (an Operations Building and Administration Building), a signage tower, and an Operations warehouse. Due to the aging condition of the current headquarters and facilities upgrades needs, the Proposed Project will serve as the new location of the District headquarters. The District headquarters is currently located on 14521 Ramona Blvd in the City of Baldwin Park, approximately 2 miles south of the proposed site for the new headquarters. The Proposed Project site lies on the south side of Arrow Highway, between Calmview Avenue and Lante Street, at 15250 Arrow Highway, Baldwin Park, California 91706. The Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) for the Proposed Project site are APN 8413-006-021 and APN 8413-006-024. The main ingress and egress for the Proposed Project site would be from Lante Street; a secondary access point to the Proposed Project site would be from Arrow Highway. Properties surrounding the Project site are a mix of commercial/industrial and residential. Arrow Highway is the boundary between the City of Irwindale to the north and City of Baldwin Park to the south.

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

Mitigation measures are proposed for biological resources, cultural resources, and tribal cultural resources to reduce potentially significant impacts to less than significant levels.

See Appendix A

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

There are no known areas of controversy associated with the Proposed Project.

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

City of Baldwin Park

APPENDIX A

Implementation for the following mitigation measures would result in less than significant impact to biological resources, cultural resources, and tribal cultural resources.

- BIO-1: Nesting Birds.** If Project clearing and construction must occur during the avian nesting season (February to September), a survey for active nests must be conducted by a qualified biologist one to two weeks prior to the activities to determine the presence/absence, location, and status of any active nests on or adjacent to the Project site. If no active nests are discovered or identified, no further mitigation is required. In the event that active nests are discovered on site, a suitable buffer determined by the qualified biologist (e.g., 30 to 50 feet for passerines) should be established around such active nests. No ground-disturbing activities shall occur within this buffer until the biologist has confirmed that breeding/nesting is completed and the young have fledged the nest. Limits of construction to avoid a nest site shall be established in the field by a qualified biologist with flagging and stakes or construction fencing. Construction personnel shall be instructed regarding the ecological sensitivity of the fenced area. The results of the survey shall be documented and filed with the District within five days after the survey.
- BIO-2:** The District would coordinate with the Tree Officer to decide on the status of the trees, if the tree removal activities are covered under the Zoning Code's exemption, and if replacement trees are required within the Proposed Project site. If a permit is required, the permit would be obtained prior to construction activities.
- CUL-1:** If archaeological or paleontological resources are discovered during construction, all construction activities in the general area of the discovery shall be temporarily halted until the resource is examined by a qualified monitor, retained by the District. The monitor shall recommend next steps (i.e., additional excavation, curation, preservation, etc.).
- TCR-1: Native American Monitoring.** Prior to ground-disturbing activities or application of grading permits, should representatives from the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians and Gabrieleño Band of Mission Indians-Kizh Nation respond to the District and request involvement on the Proposed Project, they shall be notified at minimum 2 weeks in advanced and be allowed to monitor ground-disturbing activities for previously undisturbed soils.