

## WEST BAY SANITARY DISTRICT

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## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE FLOW EQUALIZATION AND RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY LEVEE IMPROVEMENTS AND BAYFRONT RECYCLED WATER FACILITY PROJECT State Clearinghouse No. 2020050414

Date:

December 18, 2020

To:

California State Clearinghouse, state Responsible and Trustee Agencies.

federal agencies, county clerks, local jurisdictions, and interested individuals and

organizations

Subject:

Notice of Availability of the Flow Equalization and Resource Recovery Facility

(FERRF) Levee Improvements and Bayfront Recycled Water Facility (RWF) Draft

EIR for public review and comment

Lead Agency: West Bay Sanitary District

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the West Bay Sanitary District (District, or WBSD), has completed a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed Flow Equalization and Resource Recovery Facility (FERRF) Levee Improvements and Bayfront Recycled Water Facility (RWF) Project at the District's Menlo Park FERRF site, including off-site influent and distribution infrastructure. The EIR analyzes the potentially significant effects associated with the proposed project.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The public review period for the Draft EIR begins Friday, December 18, 2020 and ends 5:00 PM, Monday, February 1, 2021. Responses to all written comments received during the public review period raising significant environmental issues will be provided in the Final EIR.

**SUBMITTING COMMENTS:** Written comments may be submitted in one of the following ways:

- 1. By mail: 500 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025
- 2. Email: info@westbaysanitary.org
- 3. Fax: (650) 321-4265

Direct all comments to the attention of: West Bay Sanitary District, Re: FERRF Levee Improvements and Bayfront RWF Draft EIR.

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** The Draft EIR is available at www.westbaysanitary.org. The Draft EIR is also available for review at:

WBSD, 500 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025 Monday through Fridays by appointment only (except Holidays). **PROJECT LOCATION:** The FERRF site is approximately 20 acres and located at 1700 Marsh Road in Menlo Park (Assessor's Parcel Number 055-400-010), northwest of Bedwell Bayfront Park and at the northern terminus of Marsh Road. The proposed ecotone levee would be located along the northern perimeter of the FERRF site and extends into City of Menlo Park (APN 055-400-490) and State Lands Commission land (APN 055-400-170). The FERRF site is listed pursuant to Government Code 65962.5 (Cortese list); however, the status is listed as closed and the investigation is complete.

The project proposes various off-site improvements including an influent pump station located near the Silicon Valley Clean Water's existing Menlo Park pump station (APN 055-170-310) near the intersection of Marsh Road and Bayfront Expressway. Influent and distribution pipelines would be located within the road right-of-way connecting from the influent pump station to the Bayfront RWF. Distribution pipelines would also be constructed within the road right-of-way for Bayfront Expressway, Constitution Drive, Chilco Street, and Hamilton Avenue.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The proposed project includes the following components:

- Constructing FEMA flood protection and improvements through the installation of sheet piles (large metal plates), raising existing grades with imported fill, and an ecotone levee;
- Improving an existing stormwater ditch along the eastern portion of the FERRF site with one-way check valves to prevent tidal flows from entering the ditch;
- Capping the existing stormwater drainage system discharge point/former outfall for the
  decommissioned on-site wastewater treatment plant and rerouting on-site drainage to
  discharge into one of the existing flow equalization basins; and
- Constructing a new 1.0 million gallon per day (MGD) Bayfront RWF including a discharge outfall, construction of an off-site influent pump station, and off-site influent and distribution pipelines. The Bayfront RWF would have an estimated peak flow of 1.0 MGD with estimated average flows of 0.5 MGD.

The District is seeking funding from the State Water Resources Control Board Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program which is partially funded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Therefore, the EIR also contains information to address the CEQA Plus (federal cross-cutting) requirements.

**SIGNIFICANT ANTICIPATED ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:** Implementation of the proposed project would result in significant environmental impacts in the following areas: Aesthetics; Biological Resources; Cultural, Historical, and Tribal Cultural Resources; and Geology and Soils. All potentially significant impacts would be reduced to a less-than-significant level with the implementation of identified mitigation measures.

**QUESTIONS:** If you have any questions about this project, please contact the West Bay Sanitary District at (650) 321-0384 or email info@westbaysanitary.org.

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