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| SCH #: TBD | |
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| Project Title: WELL PERMIT APPLICATION 2019-72, -73, -74 | FOR PESCADERO RANCH SUPPLEMENTARY WELLS |
| Lead Agency: Stanislaus County Department of Environmental F | Resources |
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| Project Location: Northeast corner of Highway 132 and Kasson City | |
| Project Decription (Proposed actions, location, and/or conseque | • |
| The Project includes the installation and operation of three agric supply during times of drought. Each well will be constructed in using 16-inch diameter steel casing and screen. Each well will and fitted with electrical line-shaft turbine pump. Electrical servienclosure, measuring approximately 10 feet by 20 feet, may be | n a 26-inch borehole to an approximate depth of 300 feet be completed with a small concrete pad at the surface rice will be extended to each well location, and a fenced |
| The average annual groundwater demand for the Project is not anticipated groundwater demand from the Project is 1,300 acre- The estimated peak pumping rate for each well is 1,000 to 2,000 | -feet over a two month period during June and July. |
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Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The MND determination is based in part on a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) adopted for the Stanislaus County Discretionary Well Permitting Program, dated June 11, 2018. Impacts to multiple impact areas were determined to be less than significant on a program level based on the PEIR and additional impacts were deems less than significant based on the Initial Study completed for this project. The mitigation measures (MMs) proposed for this project align with the MMs prescribed in the PEIR.

The project's potential significant effects and proposed mitigation measures are as follows: Per the PEIR, a desktop study and field survey conducted by a qualified biologist are required at project sites to evaluate potential impacts to biological resources. A desktop study and field survey were completed (per PEIR MM-BIO-1a) and summarized in a memo provided as an attachment to the IS/MND. Per MM_BIO-1b, if well construction activities are conducted during the nesting season (February 1 through September 15), then a field survey will be conducted by a qualified biologist in advance of drilling to determine if any active nests for protected species are present in the site vicinity. If active nests are found, no construction activities will be conducted within 500-ft of the nest until the young have fledged. A desktop study conducted by a cultural resources specialists determined that sensitive cultural or tribal resources are located in the site vicinity. To protect these or any unidentified cultural/tribal resources, per MM-CUL-1b, a qualified cultural resources specialist will survey the site in advance of drilling activities, and per MM-CUL-1c, work will be stopped if any previously unidentified archaeological, paleontological, or tribal cultural resources are identified. A detailed Groundwater Resources Impact Assessment was completed as part of the Initial Study (per MM-WAT-2). Results from GRIA supported the determination that impacts to hydrological resources are less than significant.

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| Agricultural cultivation in the eastern foothills of Stanislaus County, within which the project site is located, is supplied largely by groundwater, and has expanded considerably in the last 15 years, increasing local groundwater demand. Concern regarding the potential for declining groundwater levels as a result of agricultural expansion in this area is the factors that resulted in the County's adoption of the Groundwater Ordinance in 2014 that governs the permit being issued for the subject agricultural well. The requirements of the Groundwater Ordinance are intended to prevent unreasonable and significant adverse impacts to groundwater supplies and related impacts to surface water, groundwater ecosystems and subsidence. | one of ng |
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| Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project. | |
| If nesting of a protected species is identified near the site, the California Department of Fish & Wildlife would be considered a trustee agency. | |
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If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by