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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT 13060 CA-9 Boulder Creek, California 95006

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the San Lorenzo Valley Water District (SLVWD and Lead Agency) has prepared a Draft Initial Study & Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS-MND) for the project listed below pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) State Guidelines §15000 et seq. Anyone desiring to comment on the IS-MND may do so in writing within the 30-day public review period commencing July 31 through August 30, 2020.

Project Title: Redwood Park Tank Project

Project Location: A 6,530 square-foot parcel (Assessor's Parcel Number 078-233-05) located at the intersection of Country Club Drive and Dundee Avenue in Ben Lomond, Santa Cruz County, California

Brief Project Description:

The project consists of the construction and operation of a new 125,000-gallon bolted steel water storage tank on an undeveloped parcel in Ben Lomond, California. Associated facilities would include an 80-square-foot pump station, a standby backup generator, and a driveway. The project would also construct 400 linear feet of water pipeline connecting the project site to existing water infrastructure on Country Club Drive. Construction is estimated to commence in August 2020 and last 12 months. Pipeline construction would take approximately three weeks. A six-foot high wood and chain-link fence would be constructed around the new water tank to partially block it from public view. The proposed project would require the removal of five trees. Dead trees, branches, and secondary trunks would also be removed from the existing grove to improve grove health. The project would also involve post-construction revegetation of the site with five fruit and nut trees and three blackberry bushes. The new water pipeline would be located entirely underground within the paved roadway on Country Club Drive. Refer to Figure 1, Project Location. The project site is not included on any lists of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

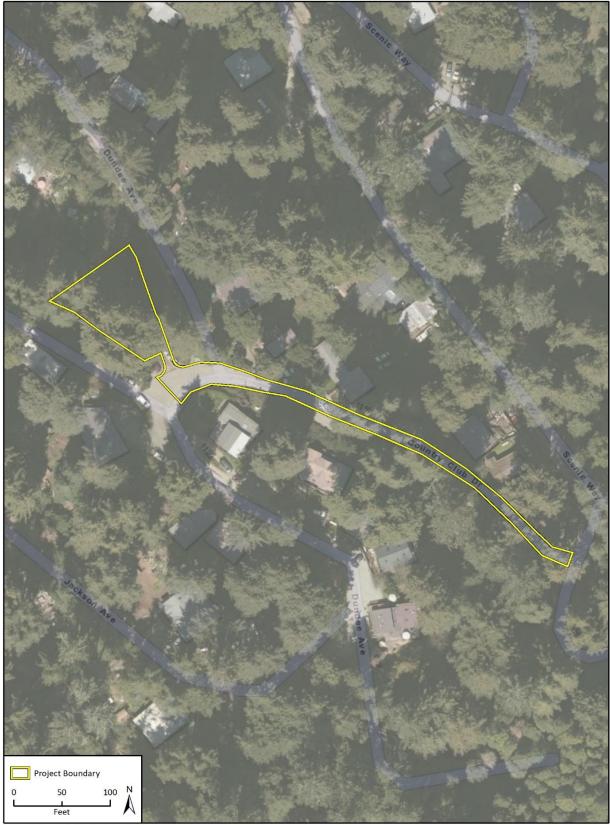
Public Meeting: The SLVWD Board of Directors will consider the project at a Board of Directors meeting held at 6:30 PM on October 1, 2020. Due to the COVID crisis, public participation will be remote. Members of the public can access a link to attend the meeting virtually at (agenda & virtual link will not be available until September 25, 2020): <u>https://www.slvwd.com/home/events/4123</u>.

<u>30-Day Document Review</u>: The document can be found online at: <u>https://www.slvwd.com/home/pages/redwood</u>-park-tank-project-swim-tanks.

Contact Person: Written comments may be submitted to:

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Figure 1 Project Location



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