

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

A DRAFT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE STOCKTON RESERVOIR REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Project Lead Agency:

Ventura County Waterworks District No. 1 P.O. Box 250 6767 Spring Road Moorpark, California 93020

Project Manager: Mr. Jeewoong Kim (805) 378-3025

Location: The project site comprises the northern portion of a 24.02 acre parcel (APN 503-0-010-01). The project site is located in unincorporated Ventura County just west of Stockton Road and approximately 1.1 miles northwest of the City of Moorpark.

Project Details: The existing Stockton Reservoir is composed of a welded steel tank approximately 60 feet in diameter and 20 feet tall, with a capacity of 0.5 MG. The reservoir is painted gray and is located just south of Stockton Road on APN 108-0-170-09. The proposed project consists of the replacement of the Stockton Reservoir at a site approximately 500 feet southeast of the existing reservoir and includes a pipeline to connect to the District's water pipeline and an access road. Once the replacement reservoir is operational, the existing reservoir would be placed on standby for emergency use. The District plans to acquire a 3.6 acre portion of the parcel surrounding the proposed replacement reservoir.

Environmental Review Findings: The Ventura County Waterworks District No. 1 has prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) pursuant to the State Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The MND prepared for the project identifies and discusses potential impacts, mitigation measures, residual impacts and monitoring requirements for identified subject areas. Significant effects on the environment are anticipated in the following areas: biological resources, paleontological resources and cultural resources.

Document Availability: The Draft MND may be reviewed upon request at the District offices located at 6767 Spring Road, Moorpark, California. An electronic copy of the Draft MND may be requested from the Project Manager. The Draft MND is also available for review upon request at the Moorpark City Library at 699 Moorpark Avenue (805/517-6370).

How to Comment: The Ventura County Waterworks District No. 1 is soliciting comments on the adequacy and completeness of the MND. Comments should be provided to the Project Manager, Jeewoong Kim at P.O. Box 250, Moorpark, California 93020 prior to the close of the public comment period on December 16, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. You will receive notice of the dates of future public hearings to consider project approval or denial.