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Project Title: Rainbow Water Quality Improvement Project

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City: San Diego

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County: San Diego

Project Location: County: San Diego

City/Nearest Community: Rainbow

Cross Streets: Fifth Street, Huffstatler Street, Rainbow Valley Boulevard

Zip Code: 92028

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 33 ° 24 ' 50.34" N / 117 ° 8 ' 59.27" W Total Acres: 6.58

Assessor's Parcel No.: Section: 1 & 12 Twp.: 9 S Range: 3 W Base: Temecula

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 15

Waterways: Rainbow Creek

Airports:

Railways:

Schools: Vallecitos Elementary School

Document Type:CEQA: ☐ NOP☐ Draft EIRNEPA: ☐ NOIOther: ☐ Joint Document☐ Early Cons☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR☐ EA☐ Final Document☐ Neg Dec

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☐ Draft EIS☐ Other:☒ Mit Neg Dec

Other:

☐ FONSI**Local Action Type:**☐ General Plan Update☐ Specific Plan☐ Rezone☐ Annexation☐ General Plan Amendment☐ Master Plan☐ Prezone☐ Redevelopment☐ General Plan Element☐ Planned Unit Development☐ Use Permit☐ Coastal Permit☐ Community Plan☐ Site Plan☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)☐ Other:**Development Type:**☐ Residential: Units

Acres

☐ Office: Sq.ft.

Acres

Employees

☐ Transportation: Type☐ Commercial: Sq.ft.

Acres

Employees

☐ Mining: Mineral☐ Industrial: Sq.ft.

Acres

Employees

☐ Power: Type

MW

☐ Educational:☐ Waste Treatment: Type

MGD

☐ Recreational:☐ Hazardous Waste: Type☐ Water Facilities: Type

MGD

☒ Other: Water Quality Best Management Practices**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**☐ Aesthetic/Visual☐ Fiscal☐ Recreation/Parks☐ Vegetation☐ Agricultural Land☐ Flood Plain/Flooding☐ Schools/Universities☐ Water Quality☐ Air Quality☐ Forest Land/Fire Hazard☐ Septic Systems☐ Water Supply/Groundwater☒ Archeological/Historical☐ Geologic/Seismic☐ Sewer Capacity☐ Wetland/Riparian☒ Biological Resources☐ Minerals☐ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading☐ Growth Inducement☐ Coastal Zone☐ Noise☐ Solid Waste☐ Land Use☐ Drainage/Absorption☐ Population/Housing Balance☐ Toxic/Hazardous☐ Cumulative Effects☐ Economic/Jobs☐ Public Services/Facilities☐ Traffic/Circulation☐ Other:**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:****Project Description:** (please use a separate page if necessary)

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Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date March 15, 2021 Ending Date April 13, 2021

Lead Agency (Complete If applicable):

Consulting Firm: _____	Applicant: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____	City/State/Zip: _____
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Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 3/12/2021

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.

Rainbow Water Quality Improvement Project Description

The proposed Rainbow Water Quality Improvement Project, which is located in the unincorporated community of Rainbow in northern San Diego County, would install structural Best Management Practices (BMPs) in the form of subsurface wetland channels and pre-treatment channels to help attain Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) compliance for nutrients in the Rainbow Creek watershed. The existing roadside ditches receive runoff and stormwater flows with high nutrient loads from adjacent land uses and discharge directly into Rainbow Creek, which converges with the Santa Margarita River. The existing concrete-lined and earthen roadside ditches would be converted into subsurface wetland channels that would filter and treat stormwater runoff. Adjacent to the subsurface wetland channels would be pre-treatment channels that would remove sediment from the surface water prior to flowing into the subsurface wetland channels. Additional improvements include driveway reconstruction, new sidewalk, and curb and gutter in deficient areas.

The project is located along portions of Fifth Street, Huffstatler Street, and Rainbow Valley Boulevard between the road shoulder and adjacent residential or commercial developments, and consists of Sites 2, 3, 4, and 5. The two proposed subsurface wetland channels, which are currently functioning as maintained roadside ditches at Site 2, are identified as Sites 2A and 2B. Site 2A is located along the west side of Huffstatler Street, south of Fifth Street, and would include improvements for a lined subsurface wetland channel with a pre-treatment channel. Site 2B is located along the north side of Fifth Street between Rainbow Valley Boulevard and extends past Huffstatler Street and would include improvements for a lined subsurface wetland channel with a pre-treatment channel. Site 2C is located south of the intersection of Fifth Street and Huffstatler Street and would include sidewalk, curb, and gutter improvements. Site 2D is located within Rainbow County Park and would include swale improvements.

Site 3 is located south of Chica Road along the west side of Rainbow Valley Boulevard and would include improvements for lined subsurface wetland channels with a pre-treatment channel. Site 4 is located along the west side of Rainbow Valley Boulevard between Rainbow Valley Boulevard West and Rainbow Creek Road and would include improvements for lined and unlined subsurface wetland channels. Site 5 is located along Huffstatler Street, approximately 335 feet south of Second Street to approximately 625 feet north of Second Street and would include improvements for lined subsurface wetland channels with a pre-treatment channel.

The existing roadside ditches are within County right-of-way and six of the roadside ditches are within the County's Regional General Permit-53 (RGP-53) permit program which are subject to maintenance by the County Department of Public Works (DPW). The six maintained facilities are numbered; Facility 57-015 is the existing 5-foot wide concrete-lined channel along the north side of Fifth Street; Facilities 57-110, 57-016, and 57-017 are the roadside ditches along Huffstatler Street; and Facilities 57-012 and 57-013 are the roadside ditches along Rainbow Valley Boulevard. County DPW maintains these facilities by removing sediment, vegetation, and debris. Once the roadside ditches are improved, they will continue to undergo regular maintenance for flood control and water quality. The total quantity of cut for the project is approximately 11,000 cubic yards and the total quantity of fill is approximately 4,300 cubic yards. Construction is anticipated to last approximately 8 months.