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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Avenue 66 Trunk Sewer Project

Lead Agency: Coachella Valley Water District

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Project Location: Thermal (*City*) Riverside (*County*)

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The proposed Avenue 66 Trunk Sewer Project would extend CVWD sewer facilities along Avenue 66 from Polk Street to Harrison Street to provide sanitation service to the Sunbird Mobile Home Park (located on Echols Road near Harrison Street) and the Torres-Martinez Community Center (located south of Avenue 66 between Polk and Tyler Streets). The project consists of construction and operation of a new lift station and 19,625 feet of sewer pipeline, as well as abandonment of existing onsite community septic systems. The pipeline alignment would primarily traverse public roads and a portion of the Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indian reservation land. The project corridor is not included on any lists of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The IS/MND identifies potential impacts to aesthetic resources as less than significant with mitigation incorporated, with mitigation to design aboveground infrastructures to blend into the existing surroundings. The IS/MND identifies potential impacts to biological resources as less than significant with mitigation incorporated, with mitigation to monitor and protect nesting birds and burrowing owls. The IS/MND identifies potential impacts as less than significant with mitigation incorporated for cultural resources and tribal cultural resources, with mitigation in the event of unanticipated discovery of cultural resources or human remains, to require archaeological and Native American monitors to be on site during all construction-period ground disturbance in sensitive areas, and to require worker environmental awareness program training for archaeological sensitivity. The IS/MND identifies potential impacts to geology and soils as less than significant with mitigation incorporated, with mitigation to address dewatering to control groundwater seepage. The IS/MND identifies potential impacts to Hazards as less than significant with mitigation incorporated, with mitigation to require the construction contractor to submit a Hazardous Materials Management Spill Control Plan to CVWD. The IS/MND identified potential impacts to Transportation and Wildfire as less than significant with mitigation incorporated, with mitigation to develop and implement a Traffic Control Plan to maintain access throughout the area during project implementation. With the implementation of mitigation measures identified in the IS/MND, the project would not result in significant impacts.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB); Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) – Colorado River Basin Region; County of Riverside Department of Transportation; South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD).