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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Wheatland Regional Sewer Pipeline Project

Lead Agency: City of Wheatland

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Project Location: Wheatland (*City*) Yuba (*County*)

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

The project site consists of an approximately eight-mile-long sewer pipeline alignment extending from an existing pump station near the City of Wheatland's existing wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) north to a point of connection with Olivehurst Public Utility District's (OPUD) wastewater system. The proposed pipeline would connect to OPUD's force main (currently under design) near Rancho Road and SR 65. OPUD sewers would convey the flow to OPUD's WWTP, where the flows would be treated to a tertiary level and discharged into a tributary to the Feather River. Three new pump stations would be constructed along the new pipeline to convey all projected flows to the OPUD point of connection. Following project construction, the City's existing WWTP is anticipated to be decommissioned, though the possibility exists for it to remain in operation for an interim period. Decommissioning of the existing WWTP would include demolition of the control and storage building associated with the site. With the removal of improvements associated with the existing WWTP and re-purposing or sale of the site, the City would lose its current base of operations for wastewater personnel, equipment, and controls. As such, the proposed project would also include construction of a new Public Works corporation yard at the location for Pump Station 2, which would provide the City with facilities needed to staff, maintain, and operate the City's public infrastructure functions, including wastewater collection systems, domestic water systems, storm drainage, roadways, landscape maintenance, and public facilities building maintenance.

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

The Initial Study prepared for the proposed project identified potentially significant impacts related to the following issue areas, which will be addressed in greater detail in the Environmental Impact Report (EIR): Agricultural Resources; Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions; Biological Resources; Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources; Geology and Soils; Hazards and Hazardous Materials; Hydrology and Water Quality; and Land Use and Planning.

All other issue areas were determined to have no impact, a less-than-significant impact, or a less-than-significant impact with mitigation incorporated. The Initial Study sections that identified less-than-significant impacts with mitigation incorporated included the following issue areas: Aesthetics; Noise; and Transportation. For these issue areas, the Initial Study sets forth feasible mitigation measures sufficient to reduce the identified impacts to a less-than-significant level and, thus, the issue areas will not be addressed in the EIR.

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

Comments specific to the proposed project have not yet been received; however, areas of controversy known to the City of Wheatland include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Increases in air pollutants/greenhouse gas emissions;
- Adverse effects on special-status plant and wildlife species;
- Potential adverse effects to historical, archaeological, and/or tribal cultural resources;
- The potential release of hazardous materials;
- Degradation of water quality and drainage issues; and
- Consistency with the City of Wheatland's adopted plans and policies.

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

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers;
- Regional Water Quality Control Board – Central Valley Region;
- California Department of Fish and Wildlife;
- California Department of Transportation;
- Union Pacific Railroad; and
- Yuba County.