## Notice of Intent to Adopt Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration by Sutter Extension Water District February 22, 2022

The Sutter Extension Water District (SEWD) proposes to sell up to 15,220 acre-feet (AF) of water to the participating member districts of the State Water Project Contractors, Incorporated or other South of Delta purchasers, including one or more Central Valley Project contractors (Buyers) during the 2022 irrigation season. SEWD proposes to make water available by idling cropland (i.e., non-irrigation of farmland by voluntary participants) and through groundwater substitution. Purchase of the water would lessen potential water supply shortages that the Buyers may occur as a result of dry hydrologic conditions and regulatory restrictions on the pumping in the Delta. Under the proposed project, water made available within the boundaries of SEWD could then be retained and stored in Lake Oroville by the Department of Water Resources for delivery.

Review Period: Members of the public are invited to comment on the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration. The public review period will run from February 22, 2022 through March 23, 2022. During this time Sutter Extension Water District will receive comments on the proposed Negative Declaration.

<u>Location of Copies</u>: Copies of the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and all documents referenced therein are available for review at the Sutter Extension Water District offices, located at 4525 Franklin Road, Yuba City, California 95993, during regular business hours of 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please contact Lynn Phillips at the above address or at (530) 673-7138 with any comments.