

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

In accordance with Section 15072 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, this notice is to inform the general public that the Carmel Area Wastewater District (CAWD) has completed an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the replacement of sewer pipeline in the Carmel Meadows Subdivision and intends to adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project:

Project Title:	Carmel Meadows Lift Station and Sewer Replacement Project
Project Location:	Carmel Meadows Subdivision, between Carmel River and Carmel
	Bay, North of Ribera Road.
	APNs 243-031-017 through 243-031-034, and 243-051-001 through
	243-051-008, and APNs 243-051-020 through 243-051-022
Comment Period:	April 15, 2022 to May 16, 2022
Contact Person:	Rachel Lather, MS, PE, District Engineer
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CAWD proposes to use a small lift station and a series of four small residential scale sewage pumps to enable the use/reuse of accessible, and less environmentally damaging pipeline alignments through the backyards of the residences being served. A 12-inch wide trench would be dug with a small excavator to about three-feet deep, typically (maximum depth is five feet). Impacts to residential landscaping would be avoided where possible and/or restored to original or better condition. In areas where the alignment is beyond the fenced parcel, native vegetation would also be restored with native seeding and erosion best management practices installed on steeper slopes as needed. There is no expansion of sewer capacity and the new sewer line would continue to serve the same residents in the Carmel Meadows neighborhood as are served by the existing system.

The IS/MND, as well as all plans and specifications for construction, and technical memoranda shall be made available for public review at the CAWD website at <u>www.cawd.org</u> and at the following location:

Carmel Area Wastewater District Administrative Offices 3945 Rio Road Carmel, CA 93923

Please submit any comments on the IS/MND to Attn: Rachel Lather via email, hand delivery or postal carrier to the above noted Contact before 5:00 PM on May 16, 2022.

A public hearing to approve said IS/MND before the CAWD Board has been scheduled for 9:00am on May 26, 2022 at the CAWD Board Chambers located at 3945 Rio Road, Carmel CA 93923.