## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Project Title: San Gabriel Valley Water Company Plant No. 7 Project (Project)

- SCH Number: To be assigned
- **Project Location:** The proposed Project, is located next to an existing water reservoir site and adjacent to an access road—Observatory Road—on the easterly boundaries of Río Hondo Community College District (RHC) (Site), the primary address for which is 3600 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, CA 90601. The nearest cross street is South Drive and Circle Drive. The proposed Project is located within unincorporated North Whittier. The proposed Project is located within the USGS Topo 7.5-minute map for El Monte, CA, and is located in Section 3, Township 2 South and Range 11 West. The approximate GPS coordinates of the Site are 34.019242, -118.027665.
- **Project Description:** San Gabriel Valley Water Company (SGVWC) requires the construction of a second water reservoir, which will be 60 feet in diameter and 40 feet high and .60 million gallons, at the Site in order to enable SGVWC to continue to provide adequate services to the RHC campus. The second reservoir will also allow for the existing reservoir to be taken out of service when required for routine maintenance.
- Project Applicant: San Gabriel Valley Water Company 11142 Garvey Avenue, El Monte, CA 91733

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that RHC has prepared and intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration in connection with the above noted proposed Project, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act. RHC has prepared a draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the proposed Project. The IS/MND shows that there is no substantial evidence that the Project may have a significant effect on the environment.

Hard copies of the IS/MND, project specifications, and supporting materials are available for public review at the Office of Government and Community Relations located in Campus Inn, Room 169 on the main campus of RHC. The main campus is located at 3600 Workman Mill Rd. Whittier, CA 90601. Documents can also be reviewed online at the following link: <a href="http://www.riohondo.edu/gcr/sgvcoproject">www.riohondo.edu/gcr/sgvcoproject</a>

The public review period for the IS/MND will be from Wednesday September 21, 2022 to Friday October 21, 2022. Written comments on the IS/MND must be submitted to Dr. Russell Castañeda-Calleros, Director of Government and Community Relations at c/o Rio Hondo Community College District, 3600 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, CA 90601 or via email at <u>rcastaneda-calleros@riohondo.edu</u> no later than October 21, 2022 by 5:00 PM.

9/12/2022 Vice President Finance Signature