



State Water Resources Control Board

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Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Attn: Ms. Ana Reyes P.O. Box 54153 Los Angeles, CA 90054-0153

METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (DISTRICT), NOTICE OF PREPARATION (NOP) OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR THE PURE WATER SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PROJECT (PROJECT); SCH #2022090654

Dear Ms. Ana Reyes:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the NOP for the proposed Project. The State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (State Water Board, DDW) is responsible for issuing water supply permits pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water Act. The Project may fall with the jurisdiction of the Central Los Angeles, San Bernardino, and Hollywood District offices. The DDW District(s) issue domestic water supply permit amendments to the public water systems served with a new or modified source of domestic water supply or new domestic water system components pursuant to Waterworks Standards (Title 22 CCR chapter 16 et seq.). A public water system requires a new water supply permit if it includes the creation of a new public water system or a water supply permit amendment for changes to a water supply source, storage, or treatment and for the operation of new system components including new distribution tanks equal to or over 100,000 gallons, new wells, and treatment systems.

The State Water Board, DDW, as a responsible agency under CEQA, has the following comments on the District's draft NOP. Please include the following in the EIR:

- If the Project would entail the modification of a domestic water supply source or system component as described above, please include a description of all new or modified drinking water system components, the names of the water systems with jurisdiction over those components, and what water systems will be served by the Project with enough detail to determine if a new water supply permit or permit amendment will be required for any of the domestic water systems.
- Please provide detailed Project maps that include all new and modified domestic water system components.
- If water supply permit amendments will be needed due to the Project, please include the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water, in E. Joaquin Esquivel, Chair | EILEEN SOBECK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

the list of agencies that will be approving a permit, and the associated water supply permit(s).

Once the EIR is ready to be circulated for public review, please ensure the State Water Board is notified. The State Water Board staff will review the draft EIR and provide additional comments, if necessary.

Please contact Terrence Kim at (818) 551-2029 or <u>Terrence Kim@waterboards.ca.gov</u> if you have any questions regarding permitting requirements for the District; please contact Andres Aguirre at (909) 383-4308 or <u>Andres Aguirre@waterboards.ca.gov</u> if you have any questions regarding permitting requirements for the Water Facilities Authority; and please contact James Ko (818) 551-2007 or <u>James.Ko@waterboards.ca.gov</u> if you have any questions regarding permitting for Three Valleys Municipal Water District.

Please contact Lori Schmitz of the State Water Board at (916) 449-5285 or Lori.Schmitz@waterboards.ca.gov, if you have any questions regarding this comment letter.

Sincerely,

Digitally signed by Lori Schmitz

Schmitz Date 2022.11.10

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