

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

DATE: November 4, 2022

TO: Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, Interested Parties

LEAD AGENCY: Pleasant Valley County Water District

PROJECT TITLE: Groundwater Sustainability Improvement Program

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Pleasant Valley County Water District (PVCWD) has prepared a Draft Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS-MND) for the project listed above pursuant to the *State California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines* Section 15000 et seq. Anyone desiring to comment on the IS-MND may do so in writing within the 32-day public review period from November 4, 2022 through 5:00 p.m. on December 5, 2022.

PROJECT LOCATION:

The project site is located in unincorporated Ventura County, south of Camarillo and east of Oxnard, and consists of an approximately 9,000-linear-foot pipeline alignment extending along the unpaved road shoulder on the north side of Laguna Road from Wood Road to approximately 350 feet east of Las Posas Road. The project would be located within existing public roadway rights-of-way, which do not have a General Plan or zoning designation. No hazardous waste sites identified on lists compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 are present on the project site. Refer to Figure 1 for a map of the project site location.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The proposed project includes construction of approximately 9,000 linear feet of new 18-inch recycled water pipeline that would interconnect two existing transmission laterals located along Wood Road and Las Posas Road. The purpose of the project is to facilitate increased transfer of existing water supplies available to both the PVCWD service area and adjacent United Water Conservation District's Pumping Trough Pipeline system, specifically water supplied by the City of Oxnard's Advanced Water Purification Facility and the Conejo Creek Diversion Structure. The project would not enable the use of new water supply sources in the PVCWD service area.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:

Pursuant to the requirements of CEQA, an Initial Study was prepared for the project. The Initial Study describes the environmental impacts of the proposed project and suggests mitigation measures where necessary to reduce impacts to biological resources, cultural resources, paleontological resources, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology/water quality, transportation, and wildfire to less-than-significant levels. The proposed mitigation measures will be implemented as part of the project such that the project will not generate a significant adverse impact on the environment during construction and operation. Due to this assessment, a Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared.



PUBLIC COMMENTS/REVIEW:

In accordance with Section 15073 of the *State CEQA Guidelines*, the Draft IS-MND is available for public review for 32 days from November 4, 2022 through December 5, 2022 at:

- PVCWD Website (https://www.pleasantvalleycountywaterdistrict.com/notices)
- PVCWD Office (154 South Las Posas Road, Camarillo, California 93010) during normal business hours

Written comments must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on December 5, 2022. Please address comments to:

Jared Bouchard General Manager 154 South Las Posas Road Camarillo, California 93010

or by email to: jared@pvcwater.com

Dated: 10-27-27

Jared Bouchard General Manager Figure 1 Project Location

