

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

# for the S Wells PFAS Groundwater Treatment and Disinfection Facility **Project**

DATE: November 18, 2022

TO: Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, Interested Parties

LEAD AGENCY: Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency

PROJECT TITLE: S Wells PFAS Groundwater Treatment and Disinfection Facility Project

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCV Water) 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 18, 2022, through 5:00 p.m. on December 19, 2022.

#### PROJECT LOCATION:

The project site is comprised of portions of Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 2811-073-001, 2811-065-014, 2811-065-015, 2811-065-912, 2811-071-901, 2811-001-284, and 2811-066-902. The project also includes roundabout improvements within the public right-of-way at the intersections of Parkwood Lane/Bridgeport Lane and Bayside Lane/Bridgeport Lane. See Figure 1 for a map of project components. The project site is zoned Specific Plan-Open Space (North Valencia Specific Plan). No hazardous waste sites identified on lists compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 are present on the project site.

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The S Wells PFAS Groundwater Treatment and Disinfection Facility Project (herein referred to as "proposed project" or "project") involves construction of a per- and polyfluoroalkyl (PFAS) groundwater treatment and disinfection facility and associated pipelines. The proposed facility would restore the use of Wells S6, S7 and S8 and would reduce SCV Water's dependency on imported water. In addition, a new groundwater well (S9) and a chloramine disinfection building would be constructed. The new S9 well would produce an additional 1,000 gallons per minute of potable water that would also be filtered through the proposed PFAS treatment system before distribution to SCV Water customers. Construction of the new groundwater treatment facility would occur between approximately April 2024 and October 2025. The groundwater treatment and disinfection facility would operate 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. Maintenance activities would include daily maintenance staff visits, chemical deliveries via a midsize delivery truck twice a month, and resin media replacement via a semitruck two to three times a year.

### **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 project and suggests mitigation measures where necessary to reduce impacts to biological resources, cultural resources, paleontological resources, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use/planning, noise, transportation, tribal cultural resources, and wildfire to less-than-significant levels. The proposed mitigation measures will be implemented as part of the project to ensure the project will not generate a significant adverse impact on



the environment during construction and operation. Based on 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 18, 2022, through December 19, 2022 at:

- Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Website (https://yourscvwater.com/pfas/treatment-facilities/swells/)
- Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Office (27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350)

Written comments must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on December 19, 2022. Please address comments to:

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Dated: 11/17/2022

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Figure 1 Project Site Location Map

