

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INTENT TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Project Title: Maintenance District 46 Water System Improvements Project

Project Location: Sierra Meadows in unincorporated Madera County (see attached figure)

Lead Agency: Madera County

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Date: December 21, 2022

Announcement

A public hearing will be held by the Madera County Development Review Committee to consider adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Maintenance District 46 Water System Improvements Project (Project) on February 8, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. at the Madera County Developmental Review Committee Meeting, Presentation Room 3200, 3rd Floor at the address above. The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and supporting Initial Study prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) is available for public review and comment between December 21 and January 21, 2023. The MND can be viewed at the Madera County Public Works Department at the above address, During the 30-day public review period the Draft IS/MND will be available for review on the CEQAnet web portal at: https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov, and on the Madera County website at: https://www.maderacounty.com/government/public-works/public-notice.

To be considered prior to adoption of the MND, comments must be submitted to the County by no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 21, 2023. When submitting comments, please provide your name, address, telephone number, and email address. Comment letters can be mailed in hard copy or can be submitted by email, either in the body of an email or as an attachment (PDF format is preferred for email attachments). Please send your comments on the MND to:

Madera County Public Works, Engineering Services

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Project Summary

The County proposes to construct two (2) test wells, each with a design capacity of 150 gallons per minute (gpm), drilled in hard rock using air rotary well drilling equipment. Each well will be converted from a test well to a production well, including a well pump, motor, discharge head, discharge pipe, meter, valves, electrical service transformer, variable frequency drive and water treatment for removal of constituents that are out of compliance with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Division of Drinking Water (DDW). The Draft IS/MND found that implementation of the proposed project may result in potentially significant environmental impacts to biological resources and cultural resources. However, with the implementation of avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures potentially significant environmental impacts would be reduced to less than significant levels as described in the Draft IS/MND.





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