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 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OFFICE FOR A  
 PERIOD COMMENCING 11/10/2020  
 AND ENDING 12/19/2020

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**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION**

TO:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Santa Cruz County Clerk 701 Ocean Street, Room 520 Santa Cruz, CA 95060	FROM:	Soquel Creek Water District 5180 Soquel Drive Soquel, CA 95073 (Lead Agency)
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TO:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Office of Planning and Research P. O. Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (If submitted to SCH): 2016112045		
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Project Title: Modifications to the Pure Water Soquel: Groundwater Replenishment and Seawater Intrusion Prevention Project

Project Applicant: Soquel Creek Water District

Specific Project Location – Identify street address and cross street or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 1/2' topographical map identified by quadrangle name): 2505 Chanticleer Avenue, Santa Cruz, California 95062; 2455 Chanticleer Avenue, Santa Cruz, California 95062; 110 California St., Santa Cruz, California 95060; Soquel Avenue and 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Project Location (City and/or County): City of Santa Cruz, unincorporated Santa Cruz County in the Live Oak Planning Area

Project Description:

On December 18, 2018, the Soquel Creek Water District (District) certified the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR), adopted Findings of Fact (including a Statement of Overriding Considerations) and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP), and approved the Pure Water Soquel: Groundwater Replenishment and Seawater Intrusion Prevention Project (Project). The Project will supplement natural recharge of the Santa Cruz Mid-County Groundwater Basin with purified water. The purified water will be produced from existing secondary effluent from the Santa Cruz Wastewater Treatment Facility (SC WWTF) and delivered to treatment facilities located in either the City of Santa Cruz or unincorporated Santa Cruz County. Purified water will then be used to recharge the aquifer. The EIR evaluated potential environmental impacts that could occur as a result of implementing the Project and/or alternatives and provided applicable mitigation to reduce the intensity of potential environmental impacts. This included evaluation of Tertiary Treatment at the SC WWTF and an Advanced Water Purification Facility (AWPF) at the Chanticleer Site.

Since certifying the EIR and approving the Project, a parcel adjacent to the Chanticleer Site was listed for sale (New Parcel), and the District has now approved the acquisition of the New Parcel so that it can be

incorporated into the design of the Project, specifically into the construction plans for the Chanticleer Site AWPf, including a building and parking area. In addition to this New Parcel, the District has approved modification of the Project to revise certain water treatment process and facility layout refinements to 1) the Tertiary Treatment System at the SC WWTF and 2) the AWPf at the Chanticleer Site. A sewer lift station and equalization tank will also be added at the AWPf on the Chanticleer Site to meet the hydraulic grade at the connection point located at Soquel Avenue and 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

An Addendum to the previously certified EIR was prepared to evaluate the potential for any new significant impacts, or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant impacts, to occur. The Addendum determined that neither the Project modifications, nor any changes in circumstances surrounding the Project, result in any new significant impact, or substantially increase the severity of an impact identified in the 2018 EIR. The Addendum further determined that no new mitigation is required beyond those measures in the adopted MMRP.

Identify the person or entity undertaking the project, including any private applicant, any other person undertaking an activity that receives financial assistance from the Public Agency as part of the project, and any person receiving a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement of use from the Public Agency as part of the project.

Soquel Creek Water District

This is to advise that the ( Lead Agency or  Responsible Agency) has taken the above described action with respect to the project on November 17, 2020 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	The project will have a significant effect on the environment.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The proposed project modifications will NOT have a significant effect on the environment
2.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	An Addendum to a previously certified Environmental Impact Report was prepared and adopted for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.
3.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mitigation measures, identified in the previously certified EIR, were made a condition of the approval of the project.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mitigation measures were NOT made a condition of the approval of the project.
4.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A Mitigation Monitoring or Reporting Plan was adopted for the originally approved project.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	A Mitigation Monitoring or Reporting Plan was NOT adopted for this project.
5.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A Statement of Overriding Considerations was originally adopted for this project.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	A Statement of Overriding Considerations was NOT adopted for this project
6.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Findings pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21166 and State CEQA Guidelines section 15162 relating to subsequent environmental review were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Findings were NOT made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the Addendum, together with the previously certified Final EIR, are available to General Public at: Soquel Creek Water District Office, 5180 Soquel Drive, Soquel CA 95071 .

<b>Date:</b> <u>11/18/2020</u>	<u>Melanie Mow</u> <b>Signature</b> <b>Name:</b> <u>Melanie Mow Schmacher</u> <b>Title:</b> <u>Special Projects - Communications Mgr.</u>
<b>Date Received for Filing:</b> _____	

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code.  
Reference Section 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.