

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO:

Governor's Office of Planning and Research
State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812

FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Financial Assistance
1001 I Street 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2016091046

PROJECT NUMBER: 1510006-001C

PROJECT TITLE: North Weedpatch Highway Water System Project (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: 1417 Vale Street Bakersfield, Kern County, CA 93306

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program is financing the Project. The Project includes consolidation of six (6) existing water systems (Del Oro Water Company-Country Estates, East Wilson Road Water Company, Oasis Property Owners Association, San Joaquin Estates Mutual Water Company, Wilson Road Water Company, and Victory Mutual Water Company), construction of a new 1,400 gallons per minute (gpm) well and arsenic treatment facility, a new 428,000 gallon water storage tank, a new hydropneumatic tank and a new booster pump station. The Project also includes replacement of existing pipelines located at the East Niles Community Services District (ENCSD) facility and installation of an additional ten (10) miles of 8-inch to 12-inch pipelines and metered connection appurtenances from the new well location and from the six existing water systems, to the ENCSD water system facility. Four existing water system wells (East Wilson Road Water Company, San Joaquin Estates Mutual Water Company, Wilson Road Community and Oasis Property Owner Association) will be abandoned.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on August 24, 2021. The East Niles Community Services District will be carrying out the Project. The State Water Board has made the following California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determinations regarding the Project:

1. The Project will not have a significant effect on the environment. The Project will not have a significant effect on water quality impacts. This determination is

limited to effects on water quality under the State Water Board's jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.

2. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared and adopted/certified for the Project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of approval of the Project.
4. A mitigation monitoring and reporting plan/program was adopted for the Project.

LEAD AGENCY: East Niles Community Services District

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Timothy Ruiz

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A record of financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. The Mitigated Negative Declaration/Environmental Impact Report is available from the Lead Agency.

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