

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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Office of Planning and Research
 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
 Sacramento, CA 95818

County of Santa Clara County Clerk
 70 West Hedding Street
 San Jose CA 95110

Subject:

Filing of Notice of determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resource Code.

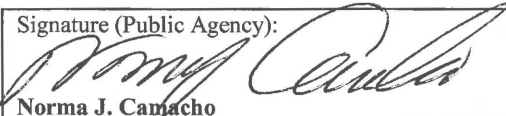
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| Contact Person: Alex Hunt | Telephone No: (408) 630-3007 | State Clearinghouse No: 2017012044 |
| Project Title: Upper Guadalupe River Reach 6 Aquatic Habitat Improvement Project | | |
| Project Location: Reach 6 of the Upper Guadalupe River is located near downtown San Jose in Santa Clara County. Reach 6 is bound to the north by Interstate 280 (I-280) and to the west and south by State Highway 87. | | |
| <p>Project Description:</p> <p>The District proposes to place gravel in the Reach 6 of the Guadalupe River channel to enhance aquatic habitat and fill voids in the Reach 6/3C transition. The District would monitor habitat quality, fish populations, and channel stability in the project areas to determine effectiveness and sustainability of gravel augmentation.</p> <p>The project would be conducted in two phases. Phase 1 would be located at Reach 6 upstream of Virginia Street at two deep pools within the river channel. Construction activities would take 2 to 4 weeks and would occur during the dry season (June 15 through October 15, unless otherwise approved by the regulatory agencies). Construction would require dewatering of up to 1,100 linear feet of the low-flow river channel. The District would stage construction activities at grassy areas on the floodplain east of the river. The District would use haul trucks to move about up to 1,160 cubic yards of gravel from the staging area to the dewatered sections of river via temporary access roads. Project access points would be restored to pre-project conditions. The success of Phase 1 would be evaluated based on both physical habitat and biological conditions. Lessons learned from Phase 1 would be used to direct Phase 2 and to determine if continuation of the project is beneficial and satisfies the objectives.</p> <p>In Phase 2, if implemented, the District would place about 3,000 cubic yards of gravel in five pools downstream of the Virginia Street Bridge. The precise locations and amount of gravel placed during Phase 2 may be modified based on the results of the Phase 1 monitoring. Phase 2 also includes filling the upper two feet of the armored bed at the Reach 6-3C transition with approximately 200 cubic yards of gravel and cobbles.</p> | | |

This is to advise that the Santa Clara Valley Water District has approved the above described project on **July 23, 2019**, and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project will, will not, have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were, were not made a condition of the approval of the project
4. Findings were were not made pursuant to the provision of CEQA.

This is to certify that the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the General Public at:

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| Signature (Public Agency):  Norma J. Camacho | Title: Chief Executive Officer | Date: 7/26/19 |
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Date Received for filing at OPR: JULY 26 2019

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