

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO:

Governor's Office of Planning and Research
State Clearinghouse
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FROM:

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

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2018062014

PROJECT NUMBER: 8423-110

DOCUMENT TITLE: Freedom Sewer Rehabilitation Project (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project is located in the City of Watsonville in Santa Cruz County, California and will be constructed generally on Green Valley Road and Buena Vista Road.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board is funding the Project referred to internally as Freedom Sewer Rehabilitation Project. The Project includes replacement of approximately 9,700 linear feet (1.84 miles) of existing sewer pipelines in two improvement areas (Ponderosa and Trembley), and replacing approximately 38 manholes.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has considered the Mitigated Negative Declaration as prepared by the Lead Agency. The State Water Board has approved funding for the Project described above on December 13, 2022. The Freedom County Sanitation 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: County of Santa Cruz

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Kathleen Malloy

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Records of the financing approval and an analysis of environmental alternatives for the Project are available to the general public upon request at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. The Mitigated Negative Declaration is available from the Lead Agency.

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