

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION
Marin County Environmental Coordination and Review

TO: Office of Planning and Research
 County Clerk, County of Marin

FROM: Marin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
 (Lead Agency)

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

Project Title: Zone 7 Gallinas Levee Upgrade Project

State Clearinghouse#: 2019079013

Contact Person: Laurie Williams, Senior Planner **Telephone Number:** (415) 473-4301

Assessor's Parcel No: Multiple Assessor's Parcels

Project Location: Levee behind Vendola Drive in Flood Control Zone 7 – Santa Venetia, California

Project Description:

Project Description goes here with details. The Project would undertake upgrades to the levee along the south bank of South Fork Gallinas Creek in the unincorporated community of Santa Venetia (north and east of the City of San Rafael). Proposed elements include: reconstruct an existing wooden structure, the Timber-Reinforced Berm, or TRB, that is a crucial component of the levee system that protects the neighborhood from flooding; reinforce one discharge pipe at Pump Station 2; and, safely abandon one pipe near Pump Station 5

Project construction is estimated to occur over two-three years starting as early as 2020. In addition to certification of this IS, regulatory permits from State and Federal agencies are required to construct these projects. Additional details about the Project are provided online at <http://www.marinwatersheds.org/resources/projects/gallinas-levee-upgrade-project>

This is to advise that the Director of Public Works approved the above described project on October 1, 2019, and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

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

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I certify that a copy of the Negative Declaration of Environmental Impact, and record of project approval is on file and may be examined at:

Agency: Marin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

Address: 3501 Civic Center Drive, #304
San Rafael, CA 94903

By: 
Liz Lewis, Water Resources Manager

Date: October 1, 2019

The filing of this Notice of Determination starts a 30 day statute of limitations on court challenges to the approval under CEQA

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SHELLY SCOTT
MARIN COUNTY CLERK
BY: C. SANCHEZ, Deputy

NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Marin County

Environmental Coordination and Review

21-2019-234

Pursuant to Section 21000 et. seq. of the Public Resources Code and Marin County Environmental Impact Review Guidelines and Procedures, a Negative Declaration is hereby granted for the following project.

- 1. Project Name: Zone 7 Gallinas Levee Upgrade Project
- 2. Location and Description: Levee behind Vendola Drive in Flood Control Zone 7 – Santa Venetia, California

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Construction is estimated to occur over 2-3 years. Permits from State and Federal regulatory agencies will be required to construct these projects. Details about the Project are provided online at <http://www.marinwatersheds.org/resources/projects/gallinas-levee-upgrade-project>

- 3. Project Sponsor: Marin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
- 4. Finding:

Based on the attached Initial Study and without a public hearing, it is my judgment that:

- The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- The significant effects of the project noted in the Initial Study attached have been mitigated by modifications to the project so that the potential adverse effects are reduced to a point where no significant effects would occur.

Rachel Reid Date: 6/26/19
Rachel Reid, Environmental Planning Manager

Based on the attached Initial Study, a Negative Declaration is granted.

Raul M. Rojas Date: 10/2/19
Raul M. Rojas, Director of Public Works

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- 1. Mitigation Measures:
 - No potential adverse impacts were identified, therefore, no mitigation measures are required.
 - Please refer to mitigation measures in the attached Initial Study.

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- The potential adverse impacts have been found to be mitigable as noted under the following factors in the Initial Study attached.

All of the mitigation measures for the above effects have been incorporated into the project and are embodied in conditions of approval recommended by the Marin County Community Development Agency- Planning Division.

Other conditions of approval in support of these measures may also be advanced.

2. Preparation:

This Negative Declaration was prepared by Sicular Environmental Consulting and Natural Lands Management on behalf of the Marin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District. Copies may be obtained at the address listed below.

Marin County Department of Public Works
Water Resources Division
3501 Civic Center Drive, Room 304
San Rafael, CA 94903
(415) 473-4301
Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.