

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

Notice is hereby given that the public agency named below has completed an Initial Study of the following described project at the following location:

Public Agency:	Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (EVMWD)
Project Name:	Lee Lake Wells Project
Project Description:	The proposed project would include the construction and operation of two wells and associated systems on the approximately 15.9-acre project site. The proposed project includes the construction of two 122-foot-deep, 400-gallon-per-minute (gpm) wells and a centralized disinfection facility and a booster pump station. The raw water piping would be routed from the wells to a centralized disinfection facility located approximately 300 feet from each well site. The centralized disinfection facility would be in undeveloped land southeast of existing dairy/cattle yard remnants on the project site. A new booster pump station would convey treated water into EVMWD's Temescal Valley Pipeline. The Temescal Valley Pipeline is a transmission pipeline in Temescal Canyon Road, which runs adjacent to the project site.
Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 1/2' topographical map identified by quadrangle name):	The project site is located within unincorporated Riverside County, within the Sphere of Influence for the City of Lake Elsinore. The project site is located approximately 0.8 mile southwest of Lee Lake and 0.1 mile north of Interstate 15 in western Riverside County. More specifically, the project site is located north of Temescal Canyon Road, approximately 1,200 feet southeast of the intersection of Temescal Canyon Road and Horsethief Canyon Road, near the intersection of Temescal Canyon Road and Earthmover Circle. The project site is located on an EVMWD-owned parcel (Assessor's Parcel Number 393-130-001). The project site is currently vacant and contains remnants of a dairy/cattle yard consisting of concrete foundations. See attached map.

This Initial Study was completed in accordance with the Lead Agency's Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act. This Initial Study was undertaken for the purpose of deciding whether the project may have a significant effect on the environment. On the basis of such Initial Study, the Lead Agency's Staff has concluded that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and has therefore prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration. The Initial Study reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.

- The Project site IS on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5.
- The Project site IS NOT on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5.
- The proposed project IS considered a project of statewide, regional or areawide significance.
- The proposed project IS NOT considered a project of statewide, regional or areawide significance.
- The proposed project WILL affect highways or other facilities under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation.
- The proposed project WILL NOT affect highways or other facilities under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation.
- A scoping meeting WILL be held by the Lead Agency.
- A scoping meeting WILL NOT be held by the Lead Agency.

If the project meets the criteria requiring the scoping meeting, or if the agency voluntarily elects to hold such a meeting, the date, time and location of the scoping meeting are as follows:

Date:	Time:	Location:
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Copies of the Initial Study and Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file and are available for public review at the Lead Agency's office, located at: 31315 Chaney Street, Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration can be obtained in electronic format by the following method:

Lead Agency address: 31315 Chaney Street, Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

Comments will be received from August 30, 2019 through October 2, 2019.

Any person wishing to comment on this matter must submit such comments, in writing, to the Lead Agency prior to September 30, 2019. Comments of all Responsible Agencies are also requested.

The Lead Agency will consider the project and the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration at its meeting on:

Date: October 24, 2019	Time: 4:00 PM
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If the Lead Agency finds that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, it may adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration. This means that the Lead Agency may proceed to consider the project without the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report.

Date Received  
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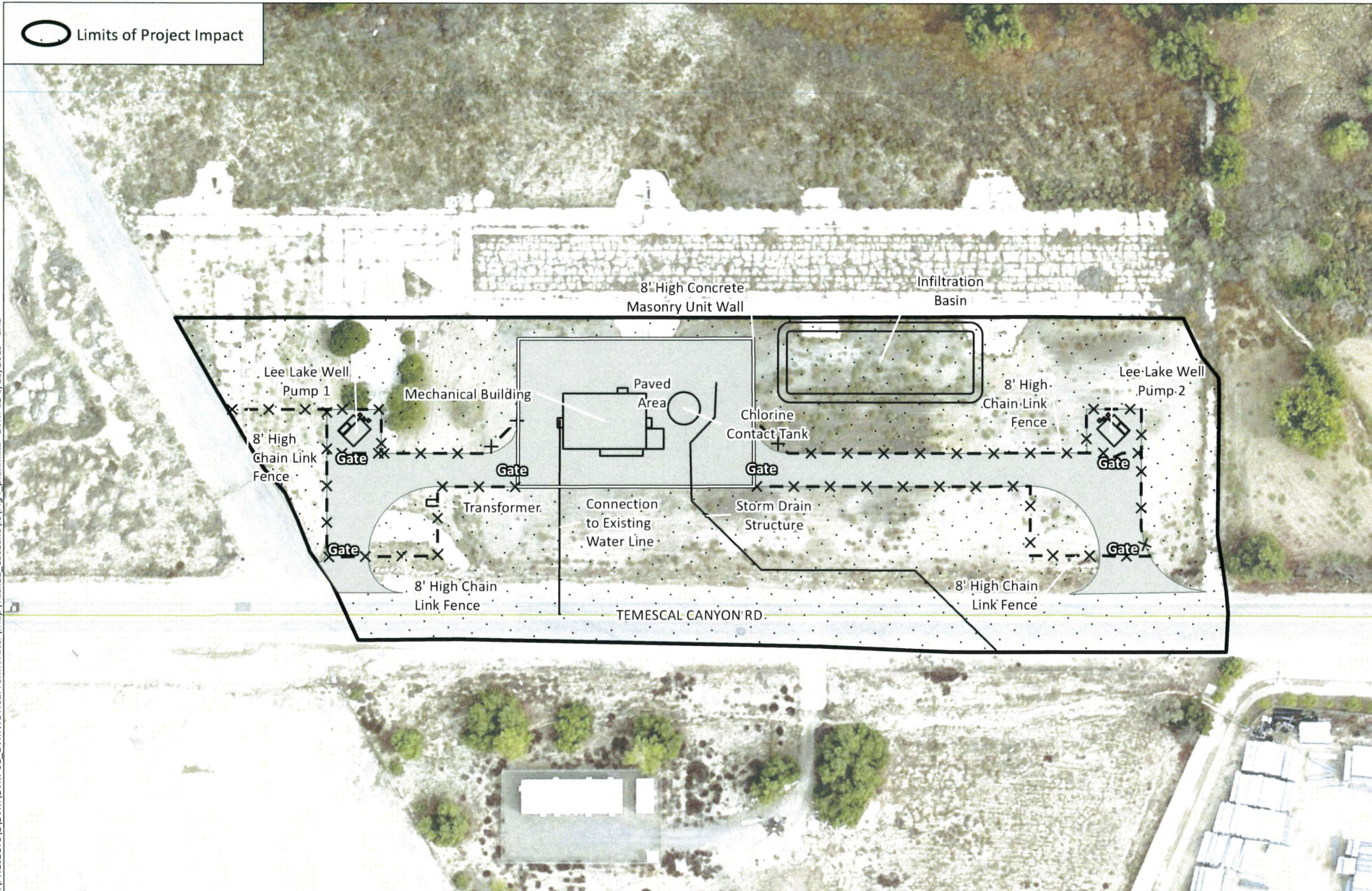
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 Limits of Project Impact

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