MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

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Project Title: Huston Creek WWTP Dewatering Building and Primary Clarifier Project

State Clearinghouse Number:

Project Location: Improvements will occur within the grounds of the existing Huston Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP), which is situated approximately 2,700 feet north of the Crestline Sanitation office, located at 24516 Lake Drive, Crestline, CA 92325.

Project Description: The Crestline Sanitation District (CSD) is proposing to upgrade its existing wastewater treatment plant by adding a primary clarifier, backup generator, trickling filter recirculation pumps, and a sludge dewatering building with associated sludge dewatering and conveyance equipment (proposed Project). Construction is estimated to occur in approximately 2020 and last approximately 24 months. The existing facilities in the proposed project area were constructed in 1952 (e.g. primary clarifiers) and 1984 (e.g. sludge handling facility). These facilities are reaching the end of their serviceable life, and are not designed to meet current engineering standards and community wastewater treatment demands.

Finding: The Crestline Sanitation District’s decision to implement this proposed project is a discretionary decision or “project” that requires evaluation under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Based on the information in the project Initial Study, District has made a determination that a Mitigated Negative Declaration is be the appropriate environmental determination for this project to comply with CEQA.

Initial Study: Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration/Initial Study were available for review at the Crestline Sanitation District’s office as well as on its website. The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration/Initial Study was circulated for public review and comment from October 8, 2019 to November 6, 2019.

Mitigation Measures: All mitigation measures identified in the Mitigated Negative Declaration/Initial Study are summarized and are proposed for adoption as conditions of the project. These measures will be implemented through a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program as part of the adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration/Initial Study.