

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO: Governor's Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: State Water Resources Control Board
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SCH NO.: 2019120606

LEAD AGENCY: City of Chino

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WATER SYSTEM NO.: 3610012

PROJECT TITLE: 3610012-Eastside Water Treatment Facility Expansion and Brine Pipeline Project (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project is located within the cities of Ontario and Chino, California. The Eastside Water Treatment Facility (EWTF) is located at 7537 Schaefer Avenue, Ontario, California 91762.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Project includes the proposal of a treatment process that is a direct expansion of the Eastside Water Treatment Facility (EWTF). This includes cartridge filter pretreatment to prevent solids loading on the Granular Activated Charcoal (GAC) system, eight additional GAC vessels to be configured in a lead-lag setup for removal of 1,2,3- trichloropropane cartridge filters on the GAC effluent to protect the Ion Exchange system from media carryover, and the addition of an Ion Exchange System for removal of nitrate. All demolition and construction associated with implementation of the EWTF expansion will take place at the EWTF site. The existing generator pad, concrete waste vault, highlines, and concrete pads will be demolished. A new generator pad will be constructed, and the existing generator connection box will be relocated. A new Ion Exchange system building will be constructed north of the existing treatment plant and new GAC vessels will be installed west of the existing GAC system. Two existing GAC vessels located near the southeast corner of the EWTF site will be relocated to this portion of the site. Existing brine waste tanks located under the treatment plant canopy will be repurposed for the Ion Exchange system process. Brine waste will be conveyed from the EWTF site via the proposed Brine Pipeline to the Inland Empire Brine Line.

The Brine Pipeline component will consist of dual six-inch diameter pipelines that will convey brine waste from the EWTF to the Chino I Desalter Treatment Facility. The dual pipelines will be constructed adjacent to each other with an approximately six-inch separation between the pipelines. The portion of the dual pipelines constructed within the Euclid Avenue right-of-way will be encased in a 12-inch diameter steel casing.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The Lead Agency is carrying out the Project. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Drinking Water (DDW) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The DDW has issued a drinking water supply permit 05-13-23PA-009 for the above described Project on September 25, 2023 and has made the following California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determinations regarding the Project:

1. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared by the Lead Agency for the Project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
2. Mitigation measures were made a condition of Lead Agency's approval of the Project.
3. A mitigation monitoring and reporting plan/program was adopted by the Lead Agency for this Project.
4. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted by the Lead Agency for the Project.
5. The Project will not have any significant water resources impacts.

A record of water supply permit approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Drinking Water District Office listed below. The Mitigated Negative Declaration is available from the Lead Agency.

Responsible Agency: State Water Board, DDW

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