

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration

In accordance with Section 15072 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, this notice is to inform the general public that the Carmel Area Wastewater District (CAWD) has completed an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for rehabilitation work at the CAWD wastewater treatment plant and intends to adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project:

Project Title: WWTP Elec/Mech Rehab and Sludge Holding Tank Replacement Project
Project Location: Existing Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP); APN 009-521-004
Comment Period: November 23, 2020 to December 23, 2020
Contact Person: Mr. Patrick Treanor, Plant Engineer
Carmel Area Wastewater District
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Carmel Area Wastewater District (CAWD) proposes to conduct rehabilitation of several areas of the wastewater treatment plant to maintain the facilities in good operating condition. The project involves replacement of select electrical and mechanical equipment with in-kind or substantially similar equipment. The new equipment will be installed to serve the existing Influent Pump Station, Headworks, Chlorination Building, and Effluent Pump Station. Not all equipment in these areas is being replaced, and no changes are being made to the existing building structures. The project also includes demolition of three existing sludge tanks and a small storage building, and the installation of one new sludge tank in the location of one demolished tank. The new tank storage capacity will be about 75,000 gallons. The three sludge tanks being demolished are about 70,000 gallons, 188,000 gallons, and 70,000 gallons respectively. As proposed the project will have no unmitigated impact on the wildlife, or human beings. The incremental modifications contained in the Project will not change the cumulative existing impact of the WWTP on the environment.

The IS/MND, shall be made available for public review at the CAWD website at www.cawd.org and at the following location:

Carmel Area Wastewater District
Administrative Offices
3945 Rio Road
Carmel, CA 93923

Please submit any comments on the IS/MND to Attn: Patrick Treanor by email, hand delivery or postal carrier to the above noted Contact before 5:00 PM on December 23, 2020. A public hearing to approve said IS/MND before the CAWD Board has been scheduled for January 28th, 2021 at the CAWD Board Chambers located at 3945 Rio Road, Carmel CA 93923.