



# Montecito Sanitary District

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION – PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT GUIDELINES SECTION 15072

#### NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

The Montecito Sanitary District (MSD, CEQA Lead Agency, Proponent) is proposing to design, construct, and implement the proposed Development Plan Projects, in coordination with the County of Santa Barbara Department of Public Works. The State of California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 22, Division 4, Chapter 3, Sections 60301 through 60355 governs the recycling of water. This section of the CCR is typically referred to as the “Title 22” Criteria. Specific requirements for the production, storage, and distribution of recycled water are established by the California State Water Resources Control Board Division of Drinking Water.

The Development Plan Projects consist of the construction, operations, and maintenance of: (1) a 1,500 square foot Title 22 compliant tertiary wastewater treatment system; (2) Essential Services Building and parking lot; and (3) five solar structures and panels. The recycled water produced from the tertiary wastewater treatment system would be used to help irrigate the adjacent existing 55.63-acre Santa Barbara cemetery. The use of recycled water for the irrigation of the cemetery will allow the cemetery to cease use of potable water for irrigation purposes. All project components would be located either within or adjacent to the existing Montecito Sanitary District facility in the unincorporated community of Montecito, at 1042 Monte Cristo Lane.

As the CEQA Lead Agency for the proposed Development Plan Projects, the Montecito Sanitary District has conducted an Initial Study of the potential effects of the proposed Project, and determined, in light of the whole record, the proposed Project would not result in a significant impact on the environment. MSD has determined the following issue areas would require mitigation measures to reduce potential impacts to a less-than-significant level.

- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Transportation
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Utilities and Service Systems

The 30-day period for public review and comment on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration begins on **May 5, 2020**. All comments must be submitted by **June 5, 2020**. Please address comments on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration as follows:

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A copy of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and all documents referenced therein are available for review on the MSD website.