

# LOS ANGELES REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD

## Initial Study - Part 2

### ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST FORM

1. Project title:  
Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Trash from Nonpoint Sources
2. Lead agency name and address:  
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Los Angeles, California 90013
3. Contact person and phone number:  
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(213) 576-6804
4. Project location:  
Multiple locations throughout the Regional Board's jurisdiction across Los Angeles and Ventura Counties.
5. Project sponsor's name and address:  
N/A
6. General plan designation:  
N/A
7. Zoning:  
Multiple.
8. Description of project:  
The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board), proposes to adopt a Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Trash from Nonpoint Sources that are assigned load allocations in the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash TMDL, Ballona Creek Trash TMDL, Malibu Creek Watershed Trash TMDL, Revolon Slough and Beardsley Wash Trash TMDL, Santa Monica Bay Nearshore and Offshore Debris TMDL, Machado Lake Trash TMDL, Lake Elizabeth, Munz Lake and Lake Hughes Trash TMDL, Legg Lake Trash TMDL, Ventura River Estuary Trash TMDL, San Gabriel River East Fork Trash TMDL, and Echo Park Lake, Peck Road Park Lake, and Lincoln Park Lake Trash TMDLs (Conditional Waiver or Order). The purpose of this Order is to ensure that the discharges of trash from nonpoint sources that are assigned load allocations in the above-mentioned TMDLs do not adversely affect the beneficial uses of the associated waterbodies in the Los Angeles Region. The Conditional Waiver requires the nonpoint sources of trash identified in these TMDLs to implement load allocations through a Minimum Frequency of Assessment and Collection (MFAC) and best management practices (BMP) program (MFAC/BMP program). An MFAC/BMP program consists of regularly scheduled trash assessment, collection, and disposal, along with BMP implementation, to progressively reduce the amount of trash that accumulates between MFAC events. The required assessments and collections

range from daily to monthly and involve personnel walking along the shorelines or traveling by boat to manually pick up trash. In the case of the Santa Monica Bay Debris TMDL, collection involves the use of a tractor with a mechanical attachment to rake the beach and clean the top six inches of sand above the high tide line. BMPs can include installation of trash receptacles, enforcement of litter ordinances, and cleanup events. No land alteration or expansion of existing infrastructure is expected as a result of the adoption the Conditional Waiver.

Based on the information contained in the Environmental Checklist, the Los Angeles Water Board finds that the proposed Conditional Waiver will not result in a significant adverse effect on the environment.

9. Surrounding land uses and setting: Briefly describe the project's surroundings:  
The Waiver applies to subwatershed areas in the vicinity of the watersheds addressed in the aforementioned TMDLs, including the following land use types: High Density Residential, Industrial, Commercial, Mixed Urban, and Public Transportation Stations.
10. Other public agencies whose approval is required (e.g., permits, financing approval, or participation agreement.)  
None.
11. Have California Native American tribes traditionally and culturally affiliated with the project area requested consultation pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1? If so, is there a plan for consultation that includes, for example, the determination of significance of impacts to tribal cultural resources, procedures regarding confidentiality, etc.?  
The lead agency informed three California Native American tribes of the project and provided opportunities for tribal consultation. No requests for tribal consultation from these tribes were received.

## ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aesthetics                | <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture and Forestry Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Air Quality                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biological Resources      | <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Resources                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Energy                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Geology/Soils             | <input type="checkbox"/> Greenhouse Gas Emissions           | <input type="checkbox"/> Hazards & Hazardous Materials      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrology/Water Quality   | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Use/Planning                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Mineral Resources                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Noise                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Population/Housing                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Services                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation                | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Cultural Resources          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Utilities/Service Systems | <input type="checkbox"/> Wildfire                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory Findings of Significance |

**DETERMINATION:** (To be completed by the Lead Agency)

On the basis of this initial evaluation:

- I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
- I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project have been made by or agreed to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
- I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.
- I find that the proposed project MAY have a “potentially significant impact” or “potentially significant unless mitigated” impact on the environment, but at least one effect 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be addressed.
- I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, because all the potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION, including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is required.

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Renee A. Purdy  
Executive Officer  
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

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Date

## EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Potential environmental impacts associated with proposed projects are provided below in a checklist format developed pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. The checklist has been used to assess the significance or insignificance of each potential impact. Brief explanations of each conclusion are provided after the checklists. Mitigation measures, as required, are discussed below each checklist.

Impact classifications used in the checklist are defined as follows:

**“Potentially Significant Impact”** is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more “Potentially Significant Impact” entries when the determination is made, an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is required.

**“Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated”** applies where the incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from **“Potentially Significant Impact”** to a **“Less Than Significant Impact.”** The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level.

**“Less Than Significant Impact”** applies to an effect that would not be significantly adverse.

**“No Impact”** applies where the effect occurs without impact.

**I. AESTHETICS**

Except as provided in Public Resources Code section 21099, would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?				<b>X</b>
b) Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?				<b>X</b>
c) In non-urbanized areas, substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of public views of the site and its surroundings? (Public views are those that are experienced from publicly accessible vantage point). If the project is in an urbanized area, would the project conflict with applicable zoning and other regulations governing scenic quality?				<b>X</b>
d) Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on aesthetics. The primary means of compliance with the Conditional Waiver will be manual trash collection as well as installation of trash receptacles, enforcement of litter ordinances, and organization of clean-up events. Implementation of these activities will not affect or impair scenic and open vistas. In fact, implementation of the Conditional Waiver will result in increased removal of visible trash from open space, parks, and waterbodies, thereby resulting in a positive impact on aesthetics.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on aesthetic resources, no mitigation is required.

## II. AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES

<p>In determining whether impacts on agricultural resources are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to the California Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Model (1997) prepared by the California Department of Conservation as an optional model to use in assessing impacts on agriculture and farmland. In determining whether impacts on forest resources, including timberland, are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to information compiled by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection regarding the state's inventory of forest land, including the Forest and Range Assessment Project and the Forest Legacy Assessment project; and forest carbon measurement methodology provided in Forest Protocols adopted by the California Air Resources Board. Would the project:</p>	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
<p>a) Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?</p>				<b>X</b>
<p>b) Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?</p>				<b>X</b>
<p>c) Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104(g))?</p>				<b>X</b>
<p>d) Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?</p>				<b>X</b>
<p>e) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location</p>				<b>X</b>

or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?				
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The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on agricultural resources.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on agricultural resources, no mitigation is required.

**III. AIR QUALITY**

Where available, the significance criteria established by the applicable air quality management or air pollution control district may be relied upon to make the following determinations. Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?				<b>X</b>
b) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard?				<b>X</b>
c) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?				<b>X</b>
d) e Result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on air quality.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on air quality, no mitigation is required.

**IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES**

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				<b>X</b>
b) Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				<b>X</b>
c) Have a substantial adverse effect on state or federally protected wetlands (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?				<b>X</b>
d) Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?				<b>X</b>
e) Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?				<b>X</b>
f) Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on biological resources. Rather, any watercourses, riparian habitat or wetlands in the vicinity of from the implementation areas would be improved by the reduction in trash entering these habitats.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on biological resources, no mitigation is required.

**V. CULTURAL RESOURCES**

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource pursuant to §15064.5?				<b>X</b>
b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resources pursuant to §15064.5?				<b>X</b>
c) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on any cultural resources. Implementation of the Conditional Waiver is not expected to involve any direct or indirect changes to the physical environment related to cultural resources.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on cultural resources, no mitigation is required.

**VI. Energy**

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Result significant environmental impact due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy resources, during project construction or operation?				<b>X</b>
b) Conflict with or obstruct a state or local plan for renewable energy or energy efficiency.				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on energy.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on energy, no mitigation is required.

**VII. GEOLOGY AND SOILS**

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Directly or indirectly cause potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:				<b>X</b>
(i) Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.				<b>X</b>
(ii) Strong seismic ground shaking?				<b>X</b>
(iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?				<b>X</b>
(iv) Landslides?				<b>X</b>
b) Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?				<b>X</b>
c) Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse?				<b>X</b>
d) Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial direct or indirect risks of life or property?				<b>X</b>
e) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?				<b>X</b>
f) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on geology and soils.

## **Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on geology and soils, no mitigation is required.

**VIII. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS**

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?			<b>X</b>	
b) Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?				<b>X</b>

The greenhouse gas emissions from potential traffic for the implementation of the Conditional Waiver will be minor, localized, of short-term duration, and will have less than significant impacts on the environment.

**Mitigation Measures**

The implementation of the Waiver (through its monitoring and reporting program) would result in less than significant greenhouse gas emissions. Therefore, mitigation measures are not required.

**IX. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS**

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?				<b>X</b>
b) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?				<b>X</b>
c) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?				<b>X</b>
d) Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?				<b>X</b>
e) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard or excessive noise for people residing or working in the project area?				<b>X</b>
f) Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				<b>X</b>
g) Expose people or structures, either directly or indirectly, to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in creating hazards or releasing hazardous materials into the environment.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact caused by hazards and hazardous materials, no mitigation is required.

**X. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY**

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements or otherwise substantially degrade surface or ground water quality?				<b>X</b>
b) Substantially decrease groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that the project may impede sustainable groundwater management of the basin				<b>X</b>
c) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river or through the addition of impervious surfaces, in a manner which would:				<b>X</b>
(i) result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site;				<b>X</b>
(ii) substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or offsite;				<b>X</b>
(iii) create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff; or				<b>X</b>
(iv) impede or redirect flood flows?				<b>X</b>
d) In flood hazard, tsunami, or seiche zones, risk release of pollutants due to project inundation?				<b>X</b>
e) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of a water quality control plan or sustainable groundwater management plan?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on hydrology and water quality and is expected to result in protection of water quality objectives.

## **Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impacts on hydrology and water quality, no mitigation measures are not required.

**XI. LAND USE AND PLANNING**

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Physically divide an established community?				<b>X</b>
b) Cause a significant environmental impact due to a conflict with any land use plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on land use and planning.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on land use and planning, no mitigation is required.

**XII. MINERAL RESOURCES**

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?				<b>X</b>
b) Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on mineral resources.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on mineral resources, no mitigation is required.

**XIII. NOISE**

Would the project result in:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Generation of a substantial temporary or permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?				<b>X</b>
b) Generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				<b>X</b>
c) For a project located within the vicinity of a private airstrip or an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts caused by noise because most trash collection is done by personnel manually picking up trash on foot or by boat. Where tractors or other heavy machinery are used to collect trash, any increased noise is expected to be minimal and of short duration.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact caused by noise, no mitigation is required.

**XIV. POPULATION AND HOUSING**

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Induce substantial unplanned population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?				<b>X</b>
b) Displace substantial numbers of existing people or housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on population and housing.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on population and housing, no mitigation is required.

**XV. PUBLIC SERVICES**

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered government facilities, need for new or physically altered government facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services:				<b>X</b>
Fire protection?				<b>X</b>
Police protection?				<b>X</b>
Schools?				<b>X</b>
Parks?				<b>X</b>
Other public facilities?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on public services.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on public services, no mitigation is required.

**XVI. RECREATION**

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood or regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?				<b>X</b>
b) Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on recreation.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no recreation impacts, no mitigation is required.

**XVII. TRANSPORTATION**

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Conflict with a program, plan, ordinance or policy addressing the circulation system, including transit, roadway, bicycle and pedestrian facilities?				<b>X</b>
b) Would the project conflict with or be inconsistent with CEQA Guidelines section 15064.3, subdivision (b)?				<b>X</b>
c) Substantially increase hazards due to a geometric design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?				<b>X</b>
d) Result in inadequate emergency access?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on transportation. Trash collection will generally not occur on roadways and any increase in vehicle miles traveled due to increased workers collecting trash and/or enforcing litter ordinances is not expected to cause a noticeable impact on the amount or distance of automobile travel.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on transportation, therefore no mitigation is required.

**XVIII. TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES**

Would the project cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource, defined in Public Resources Code section 21074 as either a site, feature, place, cultural landscape that is geographically defined in terms of the size and scope of the landscape, sacred place, or object with cultural value to a California Native American Tribe, and that is:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Listed or eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources as defined in Public Resources Code section 5020.1(k), or				<b>X</b>
b) A resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resources Code Section 5024.1. In applying the criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resource Code Section 5024.1, the lead agency shall consider the significance of the resource to a California Native American tribe.				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on any tribal cultural resources.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on tribal cultural resources, no mitigation is required.

**XIX. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS**

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Require or result in the relocation or construction of new or expanded water, wastewater treatment, or storm water drainage, electric power, natural gas, or telecommunications facilities, the construction or relocation of which could cause significant environmental effects?				<b>X</b>
b) Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project and reasonably foreseeable future development during normal, dry and multiple dry years?				<b>X</b>
c) Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?				<b>X</b>
d) Generate solid waste in excess of State or local standards, or in excess of the capacity of local infrastructure, or otherwise impair the attainment of solid waste reduction goals?				<b>X</b>
e) Comply with federal, state, and local management and reduction statutes and regulations related to solid waste?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on utilities or service systems.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on utilities or service systems, therefore no mitigation is required.

**XX. Wildfire**

If located in or near state responsibility areas or lands classified as very high fire hazard severity zones, would the project	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Substantially impair an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				<b>X</b>
b) Due to slope, prevailing winds, and other factors, exacerbate wildfire risks, and thereby expose project occupants to, pollutant concentrations from a wildfire				<b>X</b>
c) Require the installation or maintenance of associated infrastructure (such as roads, fuel breaks, emergency water sources, power lines or other utilities) that may exacerbate fire risk or that may result in temporary or ongoing impacts to the environment?				<b>X</b>
d) Expose people or structures to significant risks, including downslope or downstream flooding or landslides, as a result of runoff, post-fire slope instability, or drainage changes?				<b>X</b>

The adoption of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any impacts on Wildfire.

**Mitigation Measures**

Since there would be no impact on wildfire, therefore no mitigation is required.

**XXI. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Does the project have the potential to substantially degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, substantially reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?				<b>X</b>
b) Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? (“Cumulatively considerable” means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of the past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)				<b>X</b>
c) Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantially adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?				<b>X</b>

As discussed throughout this document, implementation of the Conditional Waiver would not result in any significant impacts on the environment, nor would it substantially affect biological resources and associated habitats or eliminate important examples of California history or prehistory.

The adoption of this Conditional Waiver would not result in significant cumulative impacts.