

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code and the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act, this notice is to advise you that the Western Riverside County Regional Wastewater Authority (WRCRWA) intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed project described below.

Lead Agency: Western Riverside County Regional Wastewater Authority (WRCRWA)

Contact: Ron Palacios, Project Manager, 951-571-7124

Project Title: Odor Mitigation Project

Project Location: 14634 River Road, City of Eastvale, CA

Project CEQA Consultant: K.S. Dunbar & Associates

Project Description: The project will address odor concerns at the WRCRWA treatment plant by implementing the following actions in the project:

1. Containment and Treatment of Cascading Weir Odors: This project includes covering the cascading weir and capturing and routing potential foul air to the existing biofilter.
2. Consolidate and Relocate Scrubber Stack: This project will consolidate the six existing chemical scrubber stacks into one combined stack and will relocate the new combined stack 700 feet west of the existing fence line. The project will also relocate and consolidate the existing six scrubber fans into 3 higher capacity fans. The new consolidated stack will be 40 feet tall. The odor ducting will include either fiberglass reinforced plastic (FRP), High Density Polyethylene (HDPE), or Stainless-steel ducting, whichever is determined to be the best fit for the project.
3. Future Project (if needed): After start-up and commissioning of the above project, offsite assessment should be completed to assess the need for adding a carbon polishing stage near the new stack location. This may also entail upsizing the new fans or using new booster fans.

Environmental Determination: The WRCRWA plant prepared an Initial Study to determine the proposed project's potential impact on the environment. The WRCRWA plant determined that the project will not have significant effect on the environment. The Initial study concluded that all significant impacts can be reduced to a level of less than significant by implementation of the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program developed for this project.

Public Review: A public review period will begin on **August 10, 2020 and end on September 8, 2020 at 5:00 PM.** Any interested person or agency may comment on this matter by submitting comments via email to rpalacios@wmwd.com and grleidy@sbcglobal.net or via mail to the Ron Palacios, 14205 Meridian Parkway, Riverside, CA 92518. If comments are sent via mail, they should be received at the above address by September 8, 2020. Due to COVID 19, printed copies are not available in a public place, but can be obtained by making arrangement with Ron Palacios at rpalacios@wmwd.com. The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration will be online at the WRCRWA's plant website at:

[https:// www.wrcrwa.org](https://www.wrcrwa.org)

Hazardous Waste Sites: The project site is not identified on any of the lists enumerated under Government code Section 65962.5.