

**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
NOTICE OF DETERMINATION**

To: Office of Planning and Research
State Clearinghouse
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From: Department of Toxic Substances Control
Site Mitigation and Restoration Program
8800 Cal Center Drive
Sacramento, CA 95826

Subject: FILING OF NOTICE OF DETERMINATION IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 21108 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

Project Title: Whittier Narrows Operable Unit Treatment for Drinking Water End Use Project

State Clearinghouse Number: 2020089015

Project Location: 331 N Durfee Avenue; Existing right-of-way along Durfee Avenue; Workman Mill Road, immediately north of State Route 60 and east of Crossroads Parkway North

County: Los Angeles

Project Applicant: Department of Toxic Substances Control

Project Description: The Department of Toxic Substances Control will implement the Whittier Narrows Operable Unit (WNOU) Treatment for Drinking Water End Use Project (WNOU Project), which involves the construction of a new 7,265-foot-long blend water supply pipeline, a new 20-foot-long blended water pipeline connection to the existing 30-inch San Gabriel Valley Water Company (San Gabriel) pipeline on Durfee Avenue, and a new off-site booster station (Plant B28 Booster Station). The implementation of the proposed project would provide additional water for blending with groundwater produced from the existing WNOU extraction wells, as well as boosting capacity to deliver this blended water to San Gabriel for distribution to its customers.

The purpose of the Project is to increase the pumping rate of the existing groundwater extraction wells to contain groundwater contamination within the Main San Gabriel Basin. The Project would increase the capture of the contaminants and prevent further migration into the adjoining Los Angeles Central Groundwater Basin and help protect nearby municipal water supply wells.

The Project would be located in the City of South El Monte and the Unincorporated Areas of Whittier Narrows and Avocado Heights, in the County of Los Angeles.

The WNOU Project would be implemented pursuant to a Proposition 1 Grant and would be funded by the California State Water Resources Control Board Division of Financial Assistance under Sections 79770-79774 of the Water Code, Proposition 1 Groundwater.

As Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC approved the above-described project on December 28, 2020 and has made the following determinations:

1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of project approval.
4. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project.
5. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The administrative record for this project is available to the public by appointment at the following location:

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Additional project information is available on EnviroStor:

https://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/profile_report.asp?global_id=60001340&mytab=activities

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Ed Walker

Date:

December 28, 2020

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