



Avila Beach Community Services District

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration

October 2, 2020

To: All Interested Parties

From: Avila Beach Community Services District

Subject: Notice of Intent to Adopt a Project Mitigated Negative Declaration for Wastewater System Improvements

The purpose of this notice is to provide a Public Notice that the Avila Beach Community Services District (District) intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) prepared pursuant to Section 21080 of the CEQA Guidelines for the proposed Avila Beach CSD Force Main Realignment Gravity Main Replacement and WWTP Redundancy Project.

Project Description Summary:

Force Main Realignment and Gravity Main Replacement

The proposed project consists of realignment of a sewage force main and replacement of a gravity sewer line in the Community of Avila Beach. Phase 1, includes re-routing of a sanitary sewer force main, from the existing First Street lift station, through the Port San Luis Harbor District Public Parking Lot and continuing to a newly constructed manhole on Avila Beach Drive. Phase 2 includes replacement of a section of gravity sewer main located at the Avila Beach Drive/San Miguel Street intersection, extending across Avila Beach Drive to the existing WWTP. Both phases will consist of jack and bore directional drill construction technology, with surface ground disturbance limited to two access and two receiver pits.

Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Redundancy Project

The proposed project includes improvements at the WWTP influent lift station and added treatment redundancy to provide a higher quality effluent, allow for operational flexibility and enhance the opportunity for wastewater recycling. The entire project would be located within the existing footprint of the community WWTP. The proposed project includes the following elements:

Install Side Stream Organic Loading Redundancy Treatment System:

- Install a packaged Membrane Bioreactor (MBR) treatment plant;
- Associated system piping, electrical, and controls integration; and
- Associated site-work including retaining wall, earthen fill, and concrete slab.

Influent Lift Station Improvements:

- Upsize the submersible pumps from 5 horsepower to 7.5 horsepower;
- Replace existing variable frequency drives to accommodate the new influent pumps;
- Recoat the influent wet well, as needed; and
- Install new electrical panels, wiring, and instrumentation, to accommodate new pumps.

Environmental Impacts: The Mitigated Negative Declaration focuses on the following issues: air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology/soils, noise and tribal cultural resources. Please refer to the project MND for a detailed analysis of the project environmental impacts.

Public Comment Period: The public comment period is from October 2, 2020 to November 2, 2020, at 5:00pm. Any written comments on the MND should be sent to the Avila Beach CSD at the address or email address noted below, to the attention of Brad Hagemann, General Manager.

How to Get More Information: A copy of the MND will be available for review at the Avila Beach CSD web site (www.avilabeachcsd.org). Persons, agencies or organizations interested in obtaining additional copies of the project MND and/or information regarding the environmental review process for the proposed project should contact the Avila Beach Community Services District at 100 San Luis Street, Avila Beach CA 93424 (805-595-2664) or via email at avilacsd@gmail.com.

Project Hearing: The District Board of Directors is tentatively scheduled to consider adoption of the MND at their Regular Board meeting on November 10, 2020. Please contact the Avila Beach Community Services District for additional information at the contacts listed above.
