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NOTICE OF INTENT  
TO ADOPT A RECIRCULATED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION  
FOR THE PROPOSED DRISCOLL ROAD MAIN RENEWAL PROJECT  
IN THE CITY OF FREMONT

In June 2020, Alameda County Water District (ACWD) has prepared a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Driscoll Road Main Renewal Project (Project). The Project is located in the City of Fremont, California. In accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15073, the Public Review Draft IS/MND for the proposed Project was circulated for a 30-day public review period from June 16, 2020 through July 16, 2020. The IS/MND was posted with the Alameda County Clerk's office and made available online at <https://www.acgov.org/auditor/clerk/eir.htm>. ACWD received one comment letter during the open comment period on the IS/MND, which requested some revisions to the mitigation measures identified in the IS/MND.

Since the release of the IS/MND, ACWD has determined that limited night work may be conducted to minimize impacts to traffic circulation on Mission Boulevard at Driscoll Road. Although, the environmental impacts associated with this change in the project design would be the same as those analyzed in the IS/MND, ACWD is recirculating the IS/MND pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15073.5 to clarify the proposed project and its associated environmental impacts. Appropriate revisions have been incorporated into this Recirculated IS/MND; specifically, the revisions in the text include updates to the Project Description, as well as, revisions to Section 3.13, Noise. Note that the complete response to comments are attached to this Recirculated IS/MND as Appendix C.

#### Proposed Project Location and Summary

The Project extends primarily along Driscoll Road between its intersections with Mission Boulevard and Timber Creek Terrace and on a lateral connection to the northwest along Paseo Padre Parkway in the City of Fremont, California.

ACWD proposes to replace approximately 7,400 feet of existing 12-inch asbestos cement pipeline with a new 12- to 16-inch steel pipeline, and associated fittings, valves, fire hydrant laterals, existing connections with other pipelines and branch connections, and water service laterals along Driscoll Road and Paseo Padre Parkway. Implementation of the project would reduce the number of leaks and breaks in the future that could take place and result in unplanned water service outages.

#### Significant Effects on the Environment

The Recirculated IS/MND finds that the proposed project would result in "potentially significant" or "potentially significant unless mitigated" environmental impacts related to air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, hydrology and water quality, and noise. Although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment,

implementation of feasible mitigation measures would either avoid or reduce to a level of insignificance identified environmental impacts.

#### Review Period and Access to Project Materials

The Recirculated IS/MND may be reviewed online at: [www.acwd.org](http://www.acwd.org) under About Us > News & Information > Public Notices.

The 30-day public review period is from December 8, 2020 through January 8, 2021. Comments regarding the Recirculated IS/MND should be directed to Dorota Budzynska, project manager, by mail at ACWD, 43885 South Grimmer Blvd., Fremont, CA 94538, by phone at (510) 668-4420, or via email at [dorota.budzynska@acwd.com](mailto:dorota.budzynska@acwd.com). ACWD will hold a future public meeting to consider adoption of the IS/MND and project approval at a later date.