

UNION SANITARY DISTRICT

NOTICE OF DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY  
AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for Union Sanitary District's Enhanced Treatment and Site Upgrade (ETSU) Phase 1 Program and is available for public review and comment. The document can be reviewed at the Union Sanitary District, 5072 Benson Road, Union City, California.

**PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD:** March 9, 2021 through April 8, 2021. Please send all comments to Ric Pipkin, Union Sanitary District, 5072 Benson Road, Union City, California 94587-2508.

**PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:** The ETSU Program was developed to meet the wastewater treatment and disposal needs for USD over the next 20 to 40 years. Phase 1 is the most immediate priority for the District's Alvarado Wastewater Treatment Plant and calls for the first phase of Secondary Treatment Process Improvements by 2027. Through four projects, Phase 1 will provide for improvements to the aeration basins (ABs) and addition of AB8, new secondary clarifiers, effluent facilities, equalization, and replacement of the existing Administration and Control Buildings with a new campus layout.

**INITIAL STUDY:** An Initial Study was prepared to determine if the proposed Project would result in significant adverse impacts on the environment. That document concluded that while several potential adverse environmental impacts could result from the Project, measures could be used to effectively mitigate these impacts. Accordingly, it has been determined that a Mitigated Negative Declaration is appropriate for the Phase 1 Program.

**TO REVIEW DOCUMENT:** Copies of the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration can be reviewed at the Union Sanitary District, 5072 Benson Road, Union City, California or on the District's website at <https://www.unionsanitary.ca.gov>. All written comments on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration must be submitted no later than the April 8, 2021 deadline.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** The Union Sanitary District Board of Directors will conduct a public hearing to receive oral comments at a regularly scheduled meeting on March 22, 2021, beginning at 4:00 p.m. The Board will consider adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration at a regularly scheduled meeting on May 10, 2021, beginning at 4:00 p.m.

**TOXIC SITES:** The Alvarado WWTP site is identified as a program cleanup site as enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code due to historical occurrence of petroleum hydrocarbon contamination in several areas of the plant site.



Ric Pipkin  
Enhanced Treatment and Site Upgrade Program Manager

March 3, 2021

Date