



UNION SANITARY DISTRICT

NOTICE OF DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY FOR ADDENDUM TO PROGRAM INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

In accordance with the State CEQA Guidelines, notice is hereby given that the Union Sanitary District (District) is releasing an addendum to the Enhanced Treatment and Site Upgrade (ETSU) Program Initial Study and Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND).

The proposed project would include modifications to the approved Project (Phase 1B-Secondary Clarifiers and Effluent Facilities Project) which are outlined in Figure 1 below. The figure shows the major features of the approved Project as included in the IS/MND. These include four new secondary clarifier tanks, a return activated sludge (RAS)/waste activated sludge (WAS) pump station and mixed liquor distribution box, effluent facility, reclaimed water pump station, electrical distribution facility, and relocation of the effluent force main (not shown). The changes since the IS/MND was adopted include the addition of an adjacent triangular parcel, the use of micropiles for structural support in lieu of conventional impact-driven piles, and the construction of an odor dispersion wall.

The addendum will be available for public review at the Union Sanitary District, located at 5072 Benson Road, Union City as well as online at <https://www.unionsanitary.com/>. A 15-day public review period will extend from September 3, 2024, to September 18, 2024. Comments and questions may be directed to the attention of Richard Pipkin, ETSU Program Manager, 5072 Benson Road, Union City, CA 94587-2508, telephone (510)-447-7562. Persons responding are urged to submit their comments in writing. Written comments must be delivered no later than 5 p.m. on September 18, 2024.

After the review period closes, the Union Sanitary District Board of Directors will consider a recommendation to adopt the addendum for the project during a regularly scheduled public meeting.

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Project Location: 5072 Benson Road, Union City, CA 94587-2508

Project Description: Union Sanitary District's (USD) 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. Through four projects (Phases 1A – Aeration Basin Modifications, 1A – Campus, 1B, and 1C), Phase 1 will provide for improvements to the aeration basins (ABs) and addition of AB 8, new secondary clarifiers, new effluent facilities, equalization, and replacement of the existing Administration and Control Buildings with a new campus layout. A Program IS/MND was prepared in March 2021 (SCH No. 2021030219) for the Phase 1 Program.

USD has further refined the approved Project components, and an Addendum to the IS/MND is necessary to meet the requirements of the CEQA. Ongoing design has resulted in several modifications to the approved Project which are addressed in this Addendum. The changes since the IS/MND was adopted include the addition of an adjacent triangular parcel, the use of micropiles for structural support in lieu of conventional impact-driven piles, and the construction of an odor dispersion wall.

Figure 1. New Facilities Associated with the Modified Phase 1B Project

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