



NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

DATE: March 12, 2021

Based upon the conclusions set forth in the Initial Study, the CEQA Lead Agency finds that the proposed Project, which includes measures and mitigations designed to minimize environmental impacts, would not result in significant adverse effects on the environment. The CEQA Lead Agency has prepared this Notice of Intent to adopt the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to 14 CCR Section 15072.

Title: CERES MAIN REGULATING RESERVOIR

Project Description: Turlock Irrigation District (TID) proposes to construct the Ceres Main Regulating Reservoir adjacent to the confluence of the Ceres Main Canal and the Lower Lateral 3 Canal to serve as a surface water regulation and storage facility. The proposed regulating reservoir would accept gravity-fed and pump-fed flows from the Ceres Main Canal during high flows, and then would pump the stored water back into the Ceres Main Canal and the Lower Lateral 3 Canal during water shortages in the canal system downstream of the reservoir.

Project Location: The location of the proposed Project is a 38-acre parcel owned by TID that lies adjacent to the Ceres Main Canal and Lower Lateral 3 Canal, 0.25 mile south of Keyes Road and 0.25 mile west of Prairie Flower Road in Stanislaus County

Project Proponent: TID

Lead Agency: TID

Public Review Period: A 30-day public review period will begin on March 12, 2021. Written comments must be submitted to the Lead Agency no later than 5:00 PM on April 12, 2021.

Available Material: A copy of the draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) and supporting material are available online at [https:// https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/Search/Navigate/2021/3](https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/Search/Navigate/2021/3)

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