

NOTICE OF INTENT TO

ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Buena Vista Water Storage District intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration under the California Environmental Quality Act regarding the following matter.

SUBJECT: Buena Vista Water Storage District Daley Ranch Groundwater Recharge Pond Project

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Daley Ranch Groundwater Recharge Pond Project (Project) involves constructing a 40-acre recharge pond that would expose sand for percolation at various depths from 6 to 14 feet deep. Approximately 650,000 cubic yards of soil would be excavated and retained on-site. Maximum recharge estimates, based on a full-year operation schedule, would average 12,000 acre-feet per year. Water from existing District sources (e.g., Kern River, State Water Project) would be delivered to the groundwater recharge pond via the existing Main Drain Canal. The Project does not include on-site recovery.

PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION: Buena Vista Water Storage District is the Lead Agency for the Project and has prepared an Initial Study as required under the California Environmental Quality Act. As the Lead Agency, Buena Vista Water Storage District has evaluated the environmental effects of the Project and proposes a Mitigated Negative Declaration (i.e., no environmentally significant effect). The Initial Study / Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for inspection at the District office at 525 North Main Street, Buttonwillow, California 93206 or online: <http://www.bvh2o.com>.

COMMENTS: Comments on the Initial Study / Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration should be mailed to Tim Ashlock, General Manager, Buena Vista Water Storage District, P.O. Box 756, Buttonwillow, CA 93206 or emailed to tim@bvh2o.com. The review/comment period begins on the date of this notice and expires on April 14, 2021.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at 661-324-1101.

SIGNED:

Buena Vista Water Storage District

By:



Tim Ashlock, General Manager