

# Notice of Determination

## Appendix D

**To:**

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**From:**

Public Agency: Alameda County Water District  
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***SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.***

 State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2021030428

 Project Title: Vallecitos Channel Maintenance Project

 Project Applicant: Alameda County Water District

 Project Location (include county): Vallecitos Channel near Vallecitos Ln. in unincorp. Alameda County

Project Description:

See attachment.

This is to advise that the Alameda County Water District has approved the above  
 ( Lead Agency or  Responsible Agency)

described project on May 13, 2021 and has made the following determinations regarding the above  
 (date)  
 described project.

1. The project [ will  will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2.  An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.  
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [ were  were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [ was  was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [ was  was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [ were  were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

<https://www.acwd.org/128/Public-Notices>

Signature (Public Agency):  Title: General Manager

Date: 05/24/2021 Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

**Notice of Determination Attachment for Alameda County Water District Vallecitos Channel Maintenance Project (State Clearinghouse No. 2021030428)**

Project Description:

The Vallecitos Channel is a critical component of ACWD's water supply system. The channel is an engineered, unlined, earthen trapezoidal channel that extends nearly 12,000 linear feet from the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) South Bay Aqueduct (SBA) turnout in the upper watershed to Vallecitos Creek near Vallecitos Lane in the lower watershed. The Project area extends from the head of the channel where the SBA emergency culvert outlet is located and extends downstream 7,980 feet. Under existing conditions, the channel requires maintenance. Several locations have experienced severe streambank erosion and bank sheering, thereby reducing the right-of-way width and rendering ACWD's maintenance road impassable. In addition, dense emergent vegetation obstructs flow in several portions of the channel, deflecting flow horizontally, exacerbating bank erosion and resulting in localized flooding. The Project will address bank erosion along Vallecitos Channel by implementing the following treatments: vegetation and sediment management, bioengineering treatments, partial bank rock slope protection (RSP), full bank RSP, and in-kind grouted RSP replacement at drop structures. The Project also includes upland drainage improvements and riparian/wetland habitat enhancement in portions of the channel. Project construction is anticipated to occur between July 2021 and October 2021 and require approximately 13 weeks for construction activities.