



NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

CASITAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the Casitas Municipal Water District (CMWD and Lead Agency) has prepared a Draft Initial Study & Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the project listed below pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) State Guidelines §15000 et seq. Anyone desiring to comment on the IS/MND may do so in writing within the 30-day public review period commencing April 2 and concluding on May 2, 2021.

Project Title: Ventura-Santa Barbara Counties Intertie Project

Project Location: The project site is located in the unincorporated southwestern portion of Ventura County and the unincorporated southeastern portion of Santa Barbara County and is approximately 0.3 mile east of the city of Carpinteria. The western terminus of the pipeline is located at 6858 Casitas Pass Road, adjacent to Assessor's Parcel Numbers APNs 001-101-047 and 001-200-006 in Santa Barbara County. The proposed pipeline alignment abuts and at points traverses Santa Barbara APNs 001-101-046, 001-200-009, 001-101-048, 001-101-040, 001-200-029, 001-101-041, 001-101-030, 001-101-049, 001-440-003, 001-440-005, 001-440-006, 001-440-002, and 001-440-001; and Ventura County APNs 008-016-046, 008-016-047, 008-021-001, 008-021-002, 008-016-041, 008-016-037, 008-016-048, 008-016-035, and 008-016-036. The Booster Pump Station A site options are located on APNs 008-016-046, 008-016-041, and 008-016-048. Booster Pump Station B alternative site options are located approximately two miles east, near 6214 Casitas Pass Road (APNs 008-018-064, 008-018-066, 008-018-056, and 008-018-017). Proposed infrastructure improvement areas are located near Lake Casitas (APNs 008-019-036, 008-019-016, 008-019-037, and 060-022-001).

Brief Project Description:

The Ventura-Santa Barbara Counties Intertie Project (proposed project) involves the construction and operation of potable water infrastructure to connect the CMWD and Carpinteria Valley Water District (CVWD) water transmission systems. The proposed project includes between approximately 7,600 to 8,160 linear feet (LF; 1.4 to 1.5 miles) of 16-inch-diameter potable water pipeline, two booster pump stations, and improvements to infrastructure at existing CMWD facilities. The pipeline would traverse the boundary between Ventura and Santa Barbara counties and act as a two-way intertie to allow the transfer of water between CMWD and CVWD, as necessary. The project site traverses State Routes 192 and 150, both of which are under the jurisdiction of the California Department of Transportation. Figure 1 shows the project site in the regional context. Figure 2 shows an overview of the project site, including all pipeline alignment location options, booster pump station site location options, and infrastructure improvement areas.

Based on a review of the State Water Resources Control Board GeoTracker database and California Department of Toxic Substances Control EnviroStor database, it was determined the pipeline alignment options, booster pump station location sites, and infrastructure improvement areas are not included on existing lists of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

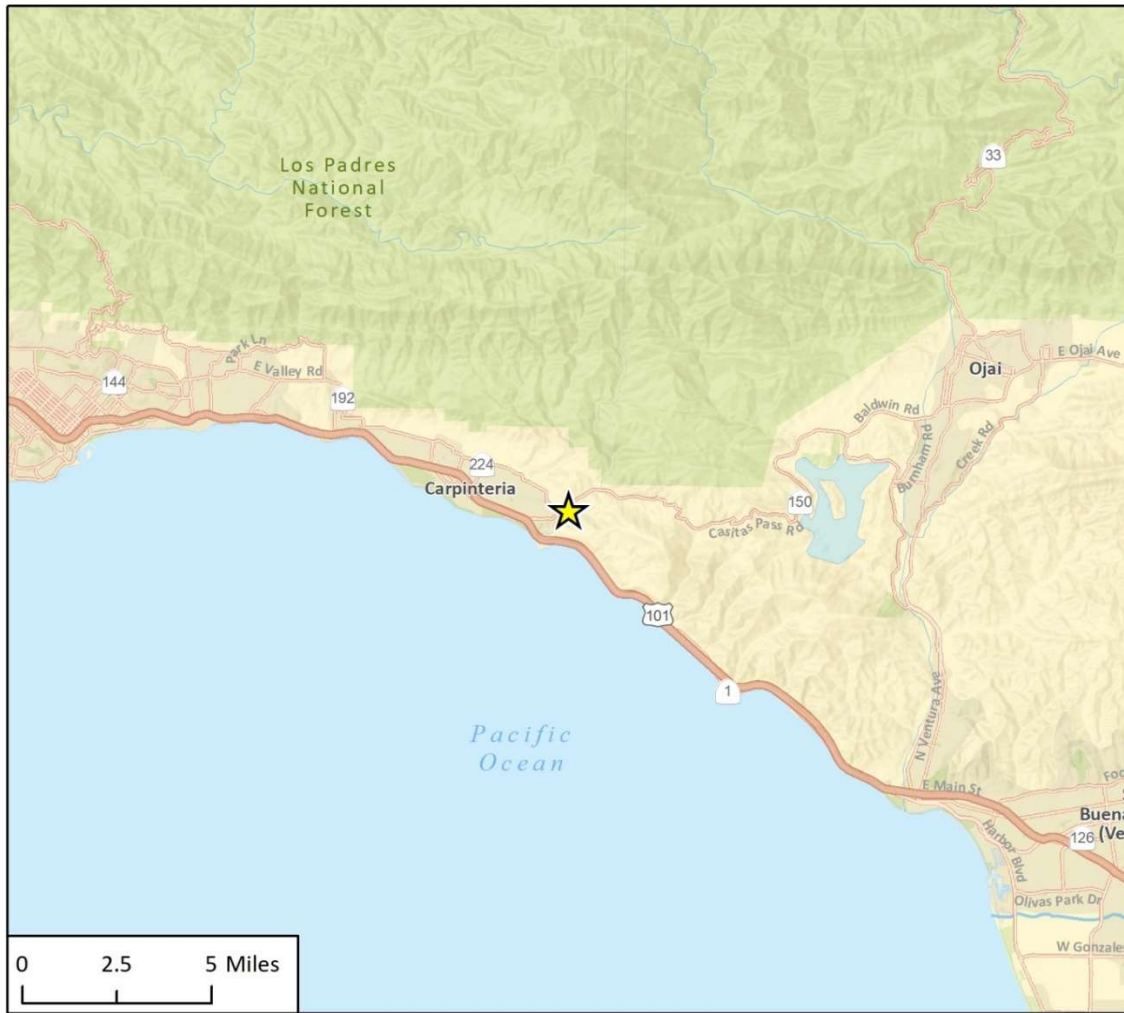
Public Meeting: All interested persons may attend the public hearing by the CMWD Board of Directors, which is tentatively scheduled for 5:00PM on May 26, 2021 via conference call due to COVID-19. Please check the Board Meeting agenda prior to the meeting to confirm the hearing date and attendance details:
<https://www.casitaswater.org/about-us/board-of-directors>

30-Day Document Review: Due to COVID-19, the CMWD offices are currently closed to the public. The document is available for review online at: <https://www.casitaswater.org/about-us/engineering/engineering-reports-and-master-plans>. If a hard copy review is required, contact Julia Aranda at the email address provided below.

Contact Person: Written comments may be submitted to:

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Figure 1 Regional Project Location



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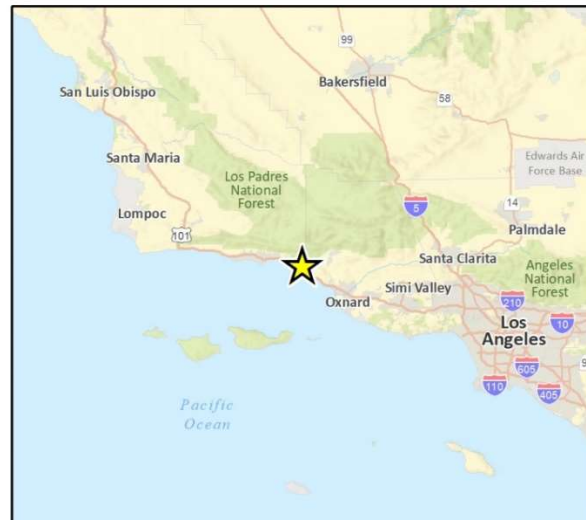


Fig. 1 Regional Location 20190907

Figure 2 Overview of Project Site



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Fig 2 Pipeline and Booster Pump Station Overview