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NORTH KERN WATER STORAGE DISTRICT

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

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

SUBJECT: North Kern Water Storage District Califia Farms Recycled Water Project

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Califia Farms, LLC manufactures plant-based milks, yogurts, juices, and specialty coffee drinks from crops locally grown in the Central Valley. Califia Farms proposes to increase their discharge of recycled water to a maximum of 500,000 gallons per day (or approximately 560 acre feet per year). Recycled water would continue to be discharged to either the Lerdo Canal or Rosedale Spreading Basins, both of which are owned and operated by the North Kern Water Storage District.

PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION: North Kern 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, North Kern Water Storage District has evaluated the environmental effects of the Project and proposes a Negative Declaration (i.e., no environmentally significant effect and no mitigation measures). The Initial Study / Proposed Negative Declaration is available for inspection at the District's office at 33380 Cawelo Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93308 or online: <https://www.northkernwsd.com/environmental-documents/>.

COMMENTS: Comments on the Initial Study / Proposed Negative Declaration should be mailed to Ram Venkatesan, Deputy General Manager, North Kern Water Storage District, 33380 Cawelo Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93308 or emailed to ram@northkernwsd.com. The review/comment period begins on the date of this notice and expires on May 31, 2021.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at 661-393-2696.

SIGNED:

North Kern Water Storage District

By:

Ram Venkatesan, Deputy General Manger