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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the staff of the Placer County Water Agency (PCWA) has (a) concluded after an environmental assessment that although the Colfax Water Treatment Plant Project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because of the measures added to the project as described in the Draft Initial Study/Environmental Documentation; (b) prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration for this project; and (c) anticipates recommending to the Board of Directors of the Agency that it approve the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan.

PROJECT: COLFAX WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT

PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: PCWA is proposing to initiate the Colfax Water Treatment Plant Project. The project site is located on private property at the intersection of Rollins Lake Road and Highway 174, north of the City of Colfax, and occurs within Assessor Parcel Number (APN) 099-140-030-000 and APN 099-150-003-000 at 25745 Rollins Lake Road, Colfax in Placer County. PCWA is proposing to construct and operate a new water treatment plant and associated facilities. PCWA is currently working with the landowner to acquire the property; acquisition is expected to occur in 2021, following adoption of the Final MND and approval of the project by the PCWA Board.

The purpose of the overall project is to replace the existing Colfax water treatment plant, which is located at 449 Pleasant Street in Colfax. The existing water treatment plant was constructed in 1958, and some of the facilities at the facility, including the flocculation and sedimentation basins, possibly predate 1958. The new Colfax Water Treatment Plant is anticipated to be operational by June 2024.

DOCUMENT REVIEW AND AVAILABILITY: The 30 day public review period for this Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration begins on August 13, 2021 and ends September 12, 2021. A copy of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for public review at the following locations:

- PCWA's website, www.pcwa.net

To request a copy mailed to you, please see contact information below.

A public hearing on this proposed project is scheduled for September 16 at 2:00 PM which will be held in the American River Room at the Placer County Water Agency, 144 Ferguson Road, Auburn, California. The project and the environmental analysis will be considered at that time.

CONTACT: Please send your comments on this environmental document to: Placer County Water Agency, Attention: Heather Trejo, P.O. Box 6570, Auburn, CA 95604, Phone: (530) 823-4905 or email to htrejo@pcwa.net.