
State Water Resources Control Board

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration

Pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Section 21092 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15072

PROJECT TITLE: Big Sandy Rancheria Wastewater System Improvements (Project)

APPLICANT: Big Sandy Rancheria of Western Mono Indians of California (Applicant)

LEAD AGENCY: State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board)

PROJECT LOCATION: Big Sandy Rancheria, one mile east of Auberry in Fresno County

The Project site is not present on any of the lists enumerated under section 65962.5 of the government code.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Project involves the construction and operation of a new wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) and associated wastewater collection system within the Big Sandy Rancheria. The Project site consists of the area in which the following components would be located: the proposed WWTP site; proposed wastewater collection pipelines and two lift stations that would accommodate 57 service connections; abandonment of 56 existing septic systems; and electrical improvements to facilitate the new components.

REVIEW PERIOD START DATE: September 9, 2024

REVIEW PERIOD END DATE: October 9, 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Board intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Project in accordance with CEQA Guidelines.

A COPY OF THE PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION, INITIAL STUDY IS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT:

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Financial Assistance
Environmental Review Unit
1001 I Street, 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA, 95814

The Mitigated Negative Declaration can also be accessed at the State Water Board website: [Lead Agency California Environmental Quality Act \(CEQA\) Documents | California State Water Resources Control Board](#)

COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENT: Comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration should be submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board by mail at the address listed above, or by email to Brian.Cary@waterboards.ca.gov. Comments must be submitted no later than 5:00 pm on **October 9, 2024**.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: For more information on the Project please contact Brian Cary at (916) 449-5624, or at Brian.Cary@waterboards.ca.gov.