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<b>SCH #</b>
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**Project Title:** Use of Copper to Control Algae and Aquatic Vegetation in District Conveyances

Lead Agency: Firebaugh Canal Water District

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City: Mendota

Zip: 93640

County: Fresno

**Project Location:** County: Fresno City/Nearest Community: Mendota, Firebaugh

Cross Streets: Numerous Zip Code: 93640

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): \_\_\_\_\_ ° \_\_\_\_\_ ' \_\_\_\_\_ " N / \_\_\_\_\_ ° \_\_\_\_\_ ' \_\_\_\_\_ " W Total Acres: \_\_\_\_\_

Assessor's Parcel No.: Numerous Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Twp.: \_\_\_\_\_ Range: \_\_\_\_\_ Base: Mt. Diablo

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: \_\_\_\_\_ Waterways: Mendota Pool

Airports: William Robert Johnston Municipal Airport Railways: \_\_\_\_\_ Schools: None

**Document Type:**

CEQA:  NOP  Draft EIR NEPA:  NOI Other:  Joint Document  
 Early Cons  Supplement/Subsequent EIR  EA  Final Document  
 Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) \_\_\_\_\_  Draft EIS  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mit Neg Dec Other: \_\_\_\_\_  FONSI \_\_\_\_\_

**Local Action Type:**

General Plan Update  Specific Plan  Rezone  Annexation  
 General Plan Amendment  Master Plan  Prezone  Redevelopment  
 General Plan Element  Planned Unit Development  Use Permit  Coastal Permit  
 Community Plan  Site Plan  Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)  Other: NPDES Permit

**Development Type:**

Residential: Units \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_  Transportation: Type \_\_\_\_\_  
 Office: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_  Mining: Mineral \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commercial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_  Power: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MW \_\_\_\_\_  
 Industrial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_  Waste Treatment: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD \_\_\_\_\_  
 Educational: \_\_\_\_\_  Hazardous Waste: Type \_\_\_\_\_  
 Recreational: \_\_\_\_\_  Other: Algae & Aquatic Vegetation Management with Copper  
 Water Facilities: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**

Aesthetic/Visual  Fiscal  Recreation/Parks  Vegetation  
 Agricultural Land  Flood Plain/Flooding  Schools/Universities  Water Quality  
 Air Quality  Forest Land/Fire Hazard  Septic Systems  Water Supply/Groundwater  
 Archeological/Historical  Geologic/Seismic  Sewer Capacity  Wetland/Riparian  
 Biological Resources  Minerals  Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading  Growth Inducement  
 Coastal Zone  Noise  Solid Waste  Land Use  
 Drainage/Absorption  Population/Housing Balance  Toxic/Hazardous  Cumulative Effects  
 Economic/Jobs  Public Services/Facilities  Traffic/Circulation  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

Agricultural

**Project Description:** (please use a separate page if necessary)

Firebaugh Canal Water District intends to use copper in compliance with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit (CAG990005) to control algae and/or aquatic vegetation. Efficient irrigation conveyance is critical to the functions of the District. However, the District's conveyances are prone to infestation by several floating and submersed aquatic weeds including pondweeds (sago, American, horned), Egeria densa, Elodea canadensis, and planktonic and filamentous algae. The presence of these weeds and algae in District facilities can adversely impact water flow and reduce water capacity, prevent or greatly reduce delivery of irrigation water at turnouts, clog siphons and pumps, and block screens, thus preventing efficient delivery of irrigation water.

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**Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)**

Starting Date 12/1/2021 Ending Date 1/2/2022

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