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Notice of Intent to Adopt Mitigated Negative Declaration

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION For the Riverdale Park Tract Community Services District Water System Consolidation Project

The Riverdale Park Tract Community Services District (RPTCSD) has completed an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the proposed water system consolidation project. The IS/MND found the following environmental factors to be less than significant with mitigation incorporated: Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, Land Use and Planning, Tribal Cultural Resources, Utilities and Service Systems, and Mandatory Findings of Significance. The project's location includes the RPTCSD service area, which is in unincorporated Stanislaus County in the sphere of influence of the incorporated City of Modesto, CA. Based on a search of the California Department of Toxic Substance Control's EnviroStor database, the State Water Resources Control Board's GeoTracker database, and CalEPA's Cortese List website, there are no hazardous waste sites located within or adjacent to the project area.

The proposed project would replace and upgrade the RPTCSD water system in the Riverdale Park Tract neighborhood, and tie into the City's water system near the intersection of Hatch and Carpenter Roads. The Riverdale Park Tract neighborhood is bound by the Tuolumne River to the north, Hatch Road to the south, Carpenter Road to the east, and Hatch Road to the west. The project area is designated for Low Density Residential (LDR) and Urban Transition (UT) land uses within the Whitmore-Carpenter Comprehensive Planning District and is zoned Rural Residential (R-2) in the Stanislaus County General Plan and General Agriculture 10 acre (A-2-10) in the Stanislaus County Zoning Ordinance. The proposed project includes the replacement of water mains, valves, fittings, and fire hydrants, where required. It is expected that the project will replace an existing 8-inch water main with approximately 1,500 linear feet of 12-inch water main along Hatch Road to provide additional supply to the community and replace approximately 8,000 linear feet of existing 6-inch and smaller pipes along Avondale, Greenlawn, and Riverdale Avenues with 8-inch mains. Water main replacements would occur within approximately 9,400 linear feet of pipeline and would extend through most public streets within the community.

Reference copies of the IS/MND are available on the City's website at: <https://www.modestogov.com/847/Water-Plans-Reports>. If you are unable to access the internet, please contact Jim Alves at jalves@modestogov.com or 209-571-5557 to arrange for alternative means to view the study. The required 30-day public review period for the IS/MND will extend from January 31, 2022 to March 2, 2022. Anyone interested in commenting on the document should submit a written statement to the City of Modesto, Utilities Department, 1010 10th Street, Suite 4600, Modesto, CA, 95354, Attention: Jim Alves, Associate Civil Engineer or by email to jalves@modestogov.com by 5:00 p.m., March 2, 2022.