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## **NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION March 1, 2022**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of San Diego is proposing to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act for the following project. The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration can be reviewed at the Department of Public Works (DPW), Environmental Services Unit, 5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, San Diego, California, 92123 and online at <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/dpw/envrnsvcs.html>

### **Live Oak Springs Water System Improvements Project**

The proposed Live Oak Springs Water System Improvements Project consists of potable water distribution system upgrades for the community of Live Oak Springs, in the Boulevard Community Planning Area of unincorporated southeastern San Diego County. The improvements are designed to bring the existing water system up to the public water systems standards, create potable water service reliability and eliminate service interruptions, develop a redundant water source as back-up to the current well, upgrade and replace failing and deteriorating water system components and piping, and provide a reliable source of fire suppression during fire seasons. The proposed project would be completed in phases over several years.

Phase I of the project is currently designed and funded and would consist of a conversion of an existing temporary well to a permanent one, along with upgrades to associated water system infrastructure. Phase I would also include installation of up to 50 feet of underground piping to connect the well to the existing water system, installation of electrical and control upgrades and connections, installation of a diesel back-up emergency power generator, and placement of gravel, fencing, and a gate around the new well site. Phase I improvements would occur within the existing County-owned parcel and construction is anticipated to last approximately 4 months.

A number of potential future phases of the project have been identified at the concept-level but have not yet been designed or funded. They may include replacement of existing water storage tanks with two new above-ground 100,000-gallon water tanks and

associated new water piping, replacement of an existing aerial water line, replacement of existing underground potable water distribution system piping within the project site and throughout the Live Oak Springs residential community, paving of a segment of an existing driveway, culvert replacement, and buildout of an additional replacement well. These future components are conceptual with no current engineering design. Construction duration of future phases would vary; however collectively, they are anticipated to last approximately 12 to 18 months.

The 30-day public review period runs from **March 1, 2022 to March 31, 2022**. Written comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration must be received no later than March 31, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. Comments should be submitted to Gail Getz by mail at 5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, Mail Stop O-332, San Diego, CA 92123, or by e-mail at [Gail.Getz@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Gail.Getz@sdcounty.ca.gov). For additional information, please visit our website at <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/dpw/envrnsvcs.html>, or contact Gail Getz at [Gail.Getz@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Gail.Getz@sdcounty.ca.gov).