

**PHELAN PIÑON HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT (PPHCSD)  
NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

**To:** San Bernardino County  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
385 North Arrowhead Avenue  
San Bernardino, CA 92415

**From:** Phelan Piñon Hills Community Services District  
4176 Warbler Road  
Phelan, California 92371

and

Office of Planning and Research  
State Clearinghouse  
1400 Tenth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

**Project Title:** Phelan Piñon Hills Community Services District Wells No. 15 and 16 Development Project

**SCH Number:** To be assigned

**Project Location:**

The project is located at two locations within the Phelan Piñon Hills Community within the High Desert region of San Bernardino County. The first Well is located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Crudup Road and Azalea Road with a pipeline proposed within Azalea Road south leading from the site, then east along South Road, then south along Soldea Road then east along Hatillo Road past Sheep Creek Road where the pipeline will connect with an existing connection at the District's Reservoir site at 14425 Sheep Creek Road. The project is located within the USGS Topo 7.5-minute map for Shadow Mountains SE, CA, and is located in Section 14, Township 5 North and Range 7 West, San Bernardino Meridian. The approximate GPS coordinates of the project site are 34.519263°, -117.582832°. The second well is located just west and north of the intersection of Sheep Creek Road and Cayucos Drive. The project is located within the USGS Topo 7.5-minute map for Phelan, CA, and is located in Section 26, Township 5 North and Range 7 West, San Bernardino Meridian. The approximate GPS coordinates of the project site are 34.488594°, -117.572798°.

**Project Description:**

The PPHCSD seeks to install two new wells as part of their Capital Improvement Projects, which would both aid the District in meeting current and future demand, and minimize Chromium-6 concentrations in the District's water supply. These wells would be installed within the Phelan Community within the County of San Bernardino, within the District's service area. Well 15 is proposed to be located on a 5-acre portion of a 40-acre parcel (Assessor's Parcel Number [APN] 3101-31-01) north of the District, at the northwest corner of the intersection of Crudup Road and Azalea Road, on Azalea Road and Victor Street. The project will also include 5,900 lineal feet (LF) of 12" water pipeline, which will connect to the District's existing water distribution system, which feeds reservoirs 2-1 and 2-2 on Sheep Creek Road. The pipeline is anticipated to be 12" diameter in size. The project will include a retention basin, a 10' x 10' chlorination structure, switch gear, and proposed transformer that will connect to an existing power pole opposite the project site along Azalea Road.

The District is also planning to install a second well, Well No. 16, to connect to the District's existing water distribution system. Well No. 16 is proposed to be installed on a 40-acre site the District currently owns along Sheep Creek Road, just north of the intersection of Sheep Creek Road and Cayucos Drive along the western side of the street (APN 3098-071-05). The site would include the following features: a 6" in diameter pipeline connecting to the District's distribution system in Sheep Creek Road; a 4" drain line to the retention basin; a 10' x 10' chlorination building adjacent to the proposed well; and, a 4" conduit, switch gear, and transformer to connect to the existing powerline pole. Construction is anticipated to being in spring of 2022, with the wells becoming operational by the end of 2022.

**Project Sponsor(s):** Phelan Piñon Hills Community Services District

This is to advise that the Phelan Piñon Hills Community Services District, acting as the lead agency, has prepared an Initial Study to determine if the project may have a significant effect on the environment and is proposing to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration based on the following finding:

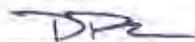
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- The Initial Study shows that there is no substantial evidence that the project may have a significant effect on the environment.
- The Initial Study identified potentially significant effects but:
  - (1) Revisions in the project plans or proposal made or agreed to by the applicant before this proposed Negative Declaration was released for public review would avoid the effects or mitigate the effects to a point where clearly no significant effects would occur; and,
  - (2) There is no substantial evidence before the agency that the project as revised may have a significant effect on the environment.

A copy of the Initial Study and all other material which constitutes the record of proceedings upon which the PPHCSD based its decision to adopt this Mitigated Negative Declaration may be obtained at:

Phelan Piñon Hills Community Services District  
4176 Warbler Road  
Phelan, California 92371  
Phone: (760) 868-1212  
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The CEQA-required public review period of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration begins **March 8, 2022** and ends on **April 6, 2022** (30-days). Written comments on the Initial Study should be submitted to Mr. George Cardenas at the mailing address listed above no later than **April 6, 2022** by 5:00 PM.

  
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Signature

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- Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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