

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal**Form F**

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: City of Parlier Flood Control and Groundwater Banking ProjectLead Agency: City of ParlierContact Name: Jeff O'NealEmail: joneal@ppeng.com Phone Number: (559) 449-2700Project Location: Parlier Fresno County
City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

See attached Project Description.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

See attached Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

No known areas of controversy.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

Not Applicable

Project Title

City of Parlier Stormwater Basin Recharge Project

Lead Agency Name and Address

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Project Location

The Project is located in Parlier, California, approximately 165 miles southeast of Sacramento and 83 miles northwest of Bakersfield. The Project is located on Assessor's Parcel Numbers listed in **Table Error! No text of specified style in document.-1** below. The centroid of the Project area is 36° 36' 34.16" [N], 119° 32' 34.24" [W].

Table Error! No text of specified style in document.-1: Assessor's Parcel Numbers

| Assessor's Parcel Numbers located within the Project APE | | | | |
|--|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| 355-465-03 | 355-301-09 | 355-465-01 | 355-041-04T | 355-021-05T |
| 355-341-09 | 355-192-13T | 353-061-01 | 355-192-12 | 355-341-03 |
| 355-061-23 | 355-021-29S | 355-041-33 | 355-500-01 | 355-021-27 |
| 355-461-02 | 358-390-55T | 355-231-05T | 355-341-07 | 358-041-38 |
| 355-461-04 | 355-461-01 | 355-341-05 | 355-353-08 | 355-041-07T |
| 355-231-09 | 355-500-03 | 355-465-02 | 355-061-01 | 355-062-06 |
| 355-062-29 | 355-301-14 | 355-461-03 | 355-062-05 | 355-374-08T |
| 355-231-06 | 355-041-14T | 355-125-23ST | 355-375-01T | 355-301-10 |
| 355-062-07 | 355-062-30 | 355-465-04 | 355-031-39T | 355-125-11S |

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|--|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| 358-390-46T | 353-061-46 | 355-231-07 | 355-301-12 | 355-375-02T |
| 355-041-03T | 358-041-45 | 355-231-15 | 355-301-15 | 358-390-25 |
| 355-062-25 | 355-061-02 | 358-390-50T | 355-301-11 | 355-031-20ST |
| 355-031-38 | 355-021-31S | 358-390-60 | 358-390-56T | 355-231-08 |
| 355-341-06 | 355-062-03 | 355-192-14ST | 355-062-24 | 355-062-04 |
| 355-231-04 | 355-041-24T | 355-341-04 | 355-500-02 | 355-301-08 |
| 353-061-45 | 355-061-24 | 355-062-02 | 355-341-08 | 355-301-13 |
| 358-390-41T | | | | |
| Note: Any APN crossed by the APE is listed in this table | | | | |

General Plan Designation and Zoning

| Project Area | General Plan Designation | Zoning District |
|-----------------------|---|---|
| ONSITE | Ponding Basin, MLDR, Parks and OS, Light Industrial, Public Facilities, MDR, Community Commercial (City) Agricultural (County) | R-1, P-F, O, R-2, M-1, R-3, C-4 (City) Exclusive Agricultural (County) |
| ADJACENT LANDS | Various | Various |

Description of Project

Project Background and Purpose

This project intends to improve and recharge the groundwater under the City of Parlier (City) to help mitigate the City's pumping for municipal water uses.

Project Description

The Project is a capital improvement project that proposes to design and construct the conversion of the seven (7) existing stormwater retention basins listed below into groundwater recharge basins and connecting these basins and an additional basin – eight basins total - to Consolidated Irrigation District (CID) facilities (open canals and buried pipelines) with approximately 7,800 linear feet (lf) of buried 48" diameter pipelines, associated turnouts, pump stations, and metering facilities.

The following is a list of all the basins with their approximate acreages and connecting CID facility:

1. Foothill Basin - 3.8 acres – Kingsburg Branch
2. Veterans Park Basin - 2.24 acres – Santa Fe Canal
3. Milton Basin - 3.34 acres – Kingsburg Branch
4. Industrial Basin - 3.1 acres – Kingsburg Branch
5. Tuolumne Basin - 3.99 acres – Santa Fe Canal
6. Avila Basin - 1.42 acres – Harp Ditch
7. Manning Basin - 1.51 acres – Harp Ditch

The Richard Flores Basin is being improved as a separate project funded by the Proposition 68 Urban Flood Protection Grant Program; however, a new pipe connection to the CID Harp Ditch will be designed and constructed as part of this project.

Following is a list of likely required land acquisition, easements, permits, and agreements needed to successfully implement the project.

Acquisition:

It is our understanding, that all but one of the basins are located on City-owned property. The Foothill basin, located in the northwest corner of the city, is the only basin not on city property; however, this was due to a map recordation error that the City and the current landowner are currently in the process of resolving.

Easements:

In order to successfully connect all eight recharge basins to CID canals, several pipeline easements from private landowners will have to be granted to the City, including the following:

- 350 linear feet (lf) across APNs 353-061-01 or 353-061-46, depending on exact pipe alignment, for the Milton Basin connection from city limits to the Kingsburg Branch;
- 1,300 lf across APNs 358-390-56T, 358-390-25 and 358-390-60 for the Industrial Basin;
- 140 lf across APN 355-031-38 for the Tuolumne Basin;
- 200 lf across APN 355-041-33 for the Manning Basin; and
- 1,500 lf across APN 355-021-27 and 355-021-31S for the Richard Flores Basin.

Permits:

- An encroachment permit from CID will be required for the new turnout structures and pipeline connections to their facilities.
- Construction General Permit through the State Waterboard– Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for construction if total acreage of ground disturbance is greater than five acres. If the project involves less than five acres a Low Erosivity Waiver can be filed in lieu of a SWPPP.
- San Joaquin Air Pollution Control District may require the following permits:
 - Air Impact Assessment (AIA) /Indirect Source Review (ISR) if the project exceeds the threshold of 9,000 square feet of “space not identified” in Section 2.1
 - Dust Control Plan (DCP)

Agreements:

Per the existing agreement dated August 28, 2019 between CID and the South Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SKGSA), of which the City is a part of, water may be delivered at the sole discretion of CID to the City for use as groundwater recharge for a fee. The agreement disregards the City’s available basin capacity to receive the water. If water cannot be stored and used for recharge purposes, the City is still obligated to pay for the water offered and CID will consider it as “reject water” and count towards its annual delivered surface water. The agreement outlines, time, volume and cost for water deliveries.

We are not aware of an agreement in place between CID and the City that would allow stormwater discharges into CID facilities. The agreement dated November 10, 2010 discusses the limitations of such discharges and permission onto via existing connections (not new connections.) No water rights issues or conflicts between water users are anticipated

Construction Schedule

Construction would occur over approximately seven months from May 2022 to November 2022. Generally, construction will occur between the hours of 7 am and 5 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Equipment

Construction equipment will likely include excavators, backhoes, graders, skid steers, loaders, and hauling trucks. Post-construction activities will include system testing, commissioning, and site clean-up. Construction will require temporary staging and storage of materials and equipment. Staging areas will be located onsite.

Operation and Maintenance

Operation and Maintenance will be performed by the City of Parlier.

Site and Surrounding Land Uses and Setting

Table 2: Existing Uses, General Plan Designation, & Zone Districts of Surrounding Properties

| Direction from Project Site | Existing Use | General Plan Designation | Zone District |
|-----------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------|
| NORTH | Various uses typical within and surrounding an urban environment | Various | Various |
| EAST | Various uses typical within and surrounding an urban environment | Various | Various |
| SOUTH | Various uses typical within and surrounding an urban environment | Various | Various |
| WEST | Various uses typical within and surrounding an urban environment | Various | Various |

CHAPTER 5 MITIGATION, MONITORING, AND REPORTING PROGRAM

This Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) has been formulated based upon the findings of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Project in the City of Parlier. The MMRP lists mitigation measures recommended in the IS/MND for the Project and identifies monitoring and reporting requirements.

Table 5-1: Mitigation, Monitoring, and Reporting Program presents the mitigation measures identified for the Project. Each mitigation measure is numbered with a symbol indicating the topical section to which it pertains, a hyphen, and the impact number. For example, AIR-2 would be the second mitigation measure identified in the Air Quality analysis of the IS/MND.

The first column of **Table 5-1: Mitigation, Monitoring, and Reporting** Program identifies the mitigation measure. The second column, entitled “When Monitoring is to Occur,” identifies the time the mitigation measure should be initiated. The third column, “Frequency of Monitoring,” identifies the frequency of the monitoring of the mitigation measure. The fourth column, “Agency Responsible for Monitoring,” names the party ultimately responsible for ensuring that the mitigation measure is implemented. The last columns will be used by the Lead and Responsible Agencies to ensure that individual mitigation measures have been complied with and monitored

Table 5-1: Mitigation, Monitoring, and Reporting Program

| Mitigation, Monitoring, and Reporting Program | | | | | | |
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| Item | Mitigation Measure | When Monitoring is to Occur | Frequency of Monitoring | Agency Responsible for Monitoring | Method to Verify Compliance | Verification of Compliance |
| Biological Resources | | | | | | |
| BIO-1 | (Avoidance): The Project’s construction activities would occur, if feasible, between September 16 and January 31 (outside of nesting bird season) in an effort to avoid impacts to nesting birds. | Between September 16 and January 31 (outside of nesting bird season) | Daily during construction | City of Parlier | | |
| BIO-2 | (Pre-construction Surveys): If activities must occur within nesting bird season (February 1 to September 15), a qualified biologist would conduct pre-construction surveys for Swainson’s hawk nests onsite and within a 0.5-mile radius. This survey would be conducted in accordance with the <i>Recommended Timing and Methodology for Swainson’s Hawk Nesting Surveys in California’s Central Valley</i> or current guidance. The pre-construction survey would also provide a presence/absence survey for all other nesting birds within the APE and an additional 50 feet, no more than 7 days prior to the start of construction. All raptor nests would be considered “active” upon the nest-building stage. | Before construction and ground disturbing activities begin | One time survey prior to construction | City of Parlier | | |
| BIO-3 | (Establish Buffers): On discovery of any active nests near work areas, the biologist would determine appropriate construction setback distances based on applicable CDFW and/or USFWS guidelines and/or the biology of the species in question. Construction buffers would be identified with flagging, fencing, or other easily visible means, and would be maintained until the biologist has determined that the nestlings have fledged, dens are inactive, and/or based on a direction from a qualified biologist on next steps. | On discovery of any active nests near work areas, prior to construction and ground disturbing activities | One time survey prior to construction | City of Parlier | | |
| BIO-4 | (Pre-construction Survey): A qualified biologist shall conduct a pre-construction survey to determine if the existing coyote dens are still active in the Industrial Basin 30 days prior to ground disturbing activities. If dens are found to be active exclusion of | Before construction activities begin | One time survey prior to construction | City of Parlier | | |

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| | this species from the site will be necessary. If dens are found inactive, immediate destruction of the dens should occur under the direction of a qualified biologist. | | | | | |
| BIO-5 | (Exclusion): A qualified biologist will install one-way doors to ensure the coyotes are unable to reenter dens. Exclusion fencing will be installed around the Industrial Basin as to not allow the species to reenter the APE. Den eviction will occur outside of pupping season March – September, and in accordance with CDFW’s recommendations. If the survey cannot occur before pupping season March - September, then full avoidance will be required. | During construction and ground disturbing activities | During construction | City of Parlier | | |
| BIO-6 | (Avoidance): If work must occur within pupping season March – September a disturbance-free buffer be placed around the area with appropriate entrance and exit areas as not to disturb the adults or the pups until it has been determined that the pups have been weaned and full eviction occurs with use of one-way doors. | If work must occur within pupping season March – September. | | City of Parlier | | |
| BIO-7 | (Focused Survey): A qualified botanist/biologist will conduct a pre-construction survey for Sanford’s Arrowhead during the bloom season (May-October) in accordance with CDFW’s Protocols for Surveying and Evaluating Impacts to Special Status Native Plant Populations and Sensitive Natural Communities, in all basins 30 days prior to vegetation clearing or ground disturbing activities. If construction cannot occur during the species’ bloom period (May-October), then a focused survey will be required. | During the bloom season | | City of Parlier | | |
| BIO-8 | (Avoidance): If Sanford’s Arrowhead are identified during the survey, a disturbance-free buffer will be placed around the area as not to disturb the plants or its root system. | During construction and ground disturbing activities | | City of Parlier | | |

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| BIO-9 | (Formal Consultation): If rare plant individuals or populations or sensitive natural communities are detected within Project work areas during the focused survey, the Project proponent shall initiate consultation with CDFW. If CDFW determines that “take” cannot be avoided, the Project proponent may be required to obtain an Incidental Take Permit (ITP). | Prior to construction and ground disturbing activities. | Duration of construction and ground disturbing activities | City of Parlier | | |
| BIO-1 | | | | | | |
| Cultural Resources | | | | | | |
| CUL-1 | (Archaeological Remains): In the event that archaeological remains are encountered at any time during development or ground-moving activities within the entire project area, all work in the vicinity of the find shall halt until a qualified archaeologist can assess the discovery. The City shall implement all recommendations of the archaeologist necessary to avoid or reduce to a less than significant level potential impacts to cultural resource. Appropriate actions could include a Data Recovery Plan or preservation in place | During construction or ground disturbing activities | Seven months | City of Parlier | | |
| CUL-2 | (Human Remains): If human remains are uncovered, or in any other case when human remains are discovered during construction, the Fresno County Coroner will be notified to arrange proper treatment and disposition. If the remains are identified—on the basis of archaeological context, age, cultural associations, or biological traits—as those of a Native American, California Health and Safety Code 7050.5 and Public Resource Code 5097.98 require that the coroner notify the NAHC within 24 hours of discovery. The NAHC will then identify the Most Likely Descendent who will determine the manner in which the remains are treated. | During excavation | Seven months | City of Parlier | | |