

## RIVERDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

### NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE BLYTHE AVENUE RECHARGE BASIN PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Riverdale Irrigation District (District) plans to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Blythe Avenue Recharge Basin Project (Project). The public hearing will be held at Riverdale Irrigation District's Office -, located at 21027 S. Brawley Avenue, Riverdale, CA, on Wednesday, June 1, 2022, at 8:30 am.

The Proposed Project involves construction of two groundwater recharge basin facilities. The recharge water will be recovered in dry years, for use in the District's efforts to achieve groundwater sustainability. Construction of the Project will include equipment mobilization, earthwork for excavation of recharge/regulation basins, and construction of basin perimeter berms at both sites up to six feet in height. Project components could include constructing ponds/cells within the two separate basins, as well as performance testing and demobilization, depth of cut is estimated to be 100,000 cy of material, which will be excavated and compacted on site. The Project will also require modification or replacement of existing structures and a flow measurement standpipe structure. There are two tie-in locations to the existing Turner Ditch canal. One proposed 500-foot-long pipeline will connect the southern property to the canal. Additionally, a 50-foot pipeline will connect the northern property. Diameter of the pipelines will be 60 inches or less. The Project will include two turnouts with capacity for 35 cfs. The Project will also include a proposed flow measurement standpipe structure.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared, describing the degree of potential environmental impacts of the Project. The District has assessed the potential environmental impacts of this Project and has determined that they will be less than significant with mitigation. Copies of the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file and available for public review upon written notice to 21027 S. Brawley Avenue, Riverdale, CA. The public review period during which the District will receive comments on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will begin on April 18, 2022, and end on May 18, 2022. Comments should be in writing, if possible, and addressed to Briza Sholars at Provost & Pritchard, 455 W. Fir Ave, Clovis CA 93611, or at [bsholars@ppeng.com](mailto:bsholars@ppeng.com).

The site has been reviewed in accordance with Government Code Section 65962.5 and is not listed as a hazardous waste or materials site.