



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2022 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE  
 CASH RECEIPT**  
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/22) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER: <b>E202210000133</b>
STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable) <b>2022040362</b>

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY <b>RIVERDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT</b>	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE <b>06/07/2022</b>
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING <b>FRESNO COUNTY</b>	DOCUMENT NUMBER <b>E202210000133</b>	
PROJECT TITLE <b>BLYTHE AVENUE RECHARGE BASIN PROJECT</b>		

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME <b>RIVERDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT</b>	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS <b>21027 S BRAWLEY AVE</b>	CITY <b>RIVERDALE</b>	STATE <b>CA</b>
		ZIP CODE <b>93656</b>

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency   
  School District   
  Other Special District   
  State Agency   
  Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$3,539.25	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,548.00	\$	<u>2,548.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,203.25	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee			
<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)			
<input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee	\$50.00	\$	<u>50.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$	<u>0.00</u>

PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash   
  Credit   
  Check   
  Other 116090   
 TOTAL RECEIVED \$ **2,598.00**

SIGNATURE  <b>X</b> <i>Jessica Munoz</i> <u>Jessica Munoz</u>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE <b>Jessica Munoz Deputy Clerk</b>
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6/7/2022 09:11 AM  
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Description	Fee
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EIR - Negative Declaration

Time Recorded: 9:11 AM

Recording Fee: \$2,548.00

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Total Amount Due \$2,548.00

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Total Paid

Check Tendered \$2,548.0  
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Amount Due \$0.00

THANK YOU  
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Description	Fee
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EIR Administrative Fee

Time Recorded:    9:11 AM

Recording Fee:                \$50.00

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Total Amount Due                \$50.00

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Total Paid

Check Tendered                \$50.00

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Amount Due                        \$0.00

THANK YOU  
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Notice of Determination

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Appendix D

To:

Office of Planning and Research
U.S. Mail: Street Address:
P.O. Box 3044 1400 Tenth St., Rm 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 Sacramento, CA 95814

County Clerk
County of: Fresno
Address: 2221 Kern St.
Fresno, CA 93721

From:

Public Agency: Riverdale Irrigation District
Address: 21027 S. Brawley Ave
Riverdale, CA 93656
Contact: Kim Mayfield
Phone: (559) 867-3123

Lead Agency (if different from above)
Riverdale Irrigation District
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Riverdale, CA 93656
Contact: Kim Mayfield
Phone: (559) 867-3123

FILED
JUN 07 2022
9:10am

FRESNO COUNTY CLERK
DEPUTY
Jessica Munoz

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2022040362

Project Title: Blythe Avenue Recharge Basin Project

Project Applicant: Riverdale Irrigation District, 21027 S. Brawley Ave, Riverdale, CA 93656

Project Location (include county): Riverdale, Fresno County

Project Description:

See attached Project Description.

This is to advise that the Riverdale Irrigation District has approved the above (Lead Agency or Responsible Agency)

described project on June 1, 2022 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project.

- 1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted for this project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

Riverdale Irrigation District, 21027 S. Brawley Ave, Riverdale, CA 93656

Signature (Public Agency): [Signature] Title: President

Date: 6-1-22 Date Received for filing at OPR:

## **Project Description**

### **Project Background and Purpose**

The District acquired approximately 25 acres of property (APNs 053-200-09S (05320028ST), 053-440-18S, and 053-440-39S) close to the intersection of W Mount Whitney Avenue and S Blythe Avenue to provide for sustainable management of surface and groundwater. The properties are located in Riverdale, CA a Census Designated Place (CDP) in the far south-southwest Fresno County. These lands historically have been farmed.

The historic passage of Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) in 2014 set forth a statewide framework to help protect groundwater resources over the long-term. SGMA is comprised from a three-bill legislative package, including AB 1739 (Dickinson), SB 1168 (Pavley), and SB 1319 (Pavley), and subsequent statewide Regulations. In signing SGMA, then-Governor Jerry Brown emphasized that “groundwater management in California is best accomplished locally.” Department of Water Resources (Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) (ca.gov)).

Due to the implementation of SGMA the District is pursuing projects to enhance groundwater levels and achieve sustainability, through groundwater recharge and groundwater banking for recovery in dry years.

### **Project Description**

The Proposed Project involves one phase of construction including two groundwater recharge basin facilities. The recharge water will be recovered in dry years, for use in the District efforts to achieve groundwater sustainability.

### **Basins**

Construction of the project will include equipment mobilization, excavation of earthwork for recharge basins, and construction of basin perimeter berms at both sites. 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 in the range of 3 to 6 feet, with an estimated volume of 100,000 cubic yards of material, which will be excavated and compacted on site. New berm construction would not exceed six feet in height, measured from the exterior toe to the top of new berm. The Project will also require modification or replacement of existing structures and a flow measurement standpipe structure.

### **Pipelines**

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 48 inches or less.

### **Turnouts**

The proposed project will include two turnouts with capacity for 35 cfs. The project will also include a proposed flow measurement standpipe structure.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-02**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
RIVERDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

**ADOPTION OF A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND MITIGATION  
MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM FOR THE  
BLYTHE AVE RECHARGE BASIN PROJECT**

WHEREAS, Riverdale Irrigation District (Riverdale ID) prepared an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the proposed Blythe Ave Recharge Basin Project ("Project") in accordance with requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Project is for the construction of the Riverdale ID Blythe Ave Recharge Basin. The Project includes two groundwater recharge basin facilities totaling 23 acres. There are also two pipeline tie-in locations of 50 feet and 500 feet to the Turner Ditch; and

WHEREAS, on April 18, 2022, Riverdale ID filed a Notice of Intent to adopt a IS/MND with the Fresno County Clerk and said Notice of Intent advertised a 30-day review and comment period starting on April 18, 2022 and ending on May 18, 2022; and

WHEREAS, said Notice of Intent indicated that Riverdale ID intended to consider said IS/MND at a regular meeting on June 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, two (2) comment letters were received, from San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife; and

WHEREAS, the comment received from the Air District did not question our analysis and does not constitute new information, new mitigation, new potentially significant effects, or other circumstances of the Project that would necessitate recirculation of the IS/MND pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15073.5; and

WHEREAS, the comment letter received from the Department of Fish and Wildlife recommended additional mitigation measures for Kit fox, Swainson's hawk, and Burrowing owl; and

WHEREAS, the District finds that it cannot be fairly argued, not is there any substantial evidence in the record, that the project could have a significant effect on the environment, either directly or indirectly; and

WHEREAS, based upon the IS/MND and the record, the project will not individually or cumulatively have an adverse impact on environmental resources; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes the approval of the IS/MND will be in the best interest of the District's landowners and water users.

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WHEREAS, the Board believes the approval of the IS/MND will be in the best interest of the District's landowners and water users.

WHEREAS, the District is the custodian of the documents and other materials that constitute the record of proceedings upon which the District's decision is based, and 21027 S Brawley Ave, Riverdale, CA 93656 is the location of this record; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Riverdale Irrigation District that:

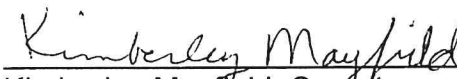
1. The Riverdale Irrigation District Board of Directors adopts the IS/MND including the MMRP for the Blythe Avenue Recharge Basin Project.
2. The General Manager of the Riverdale ID is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary Notice of Determination to be filed with the Fresno County Clerk and the State Office of Planning and Research.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 2022.

By:   
 Leonard Acquistapace, President

I, **Kimberley Mayfield**, Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Riverdale Irrigation District (the "Board"), hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Board Resolution No. 2022-02 (the "Resolution"), that the Board has not amended or repealed the Resolution, and that the Board duly adopted the Resolution at a regular Board meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 2022, and that the Board adopted the Resolution by the following vote:

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
President Acquistapace	X _____	_____	_____	_____
Director Tony Fontes	X _____	_____	_____	_____
Director John Mendes	X _____	_____	_____	_____

  
 Kimberley Mayfield, Secretary