

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES**

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Mr. John Gies, General Manager  
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Madera Lake Pump and Pipeline Project  
SCH# 2022090367

Madera Lake Dam, No. 682  
Madera County

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Dear Mr. Gies:

The Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) has reviewed the Mitigated Negative Declaration and project description for the Madera Lake Pump and Pipeline Project submitted by Madera Water District (District), which describes the proposed construction of a steel siphon on the side slopes and through the crest of Madera Lake Dam to allow water from Madera Irrigation District (MID) or other sources to be brought into the District through Madera Lake.

As Madera Lake Dam is subject to State jurisdiction, the District needs to submit preliminary plans so that DSOD can make a jurisdictional determination regarding the proposed project.

If the proposed project is determined to be subject to State jurisdiction for safety, a construction application, together with plans, specifications, and an appropriate filing fee must be filed with DSOD for this project. All dam safety related issues must be resolved prior to approval of the application, and the work must be performed under the direction of a Civil Engineer registered in California. Erik Malvick, our Design Engineering Branch Manager, is responsible for the application process and can be reached at (916) 565-7840.

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact Area Engineer Austin Roundtree at (916) 565-7822 or me at (916) 565-7820.

Sincerely,

*Austin C Roundtree* for

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