

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
FOR THE BAKMAN HILLS WATER METER PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) plans to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Rolling Hills Water Meter Project (Project).

The Project entails the construction of approximately 2,750 linear feet of 12-inch Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) water main in Avenue 11, and 2,750 linear feet of 8-inch PVC water main in Mountain View Drive and Adobe Way. The alignment of this water main will be located within the County right-of-way. Any existing water main in Avenue 11 will be abandoned in place. Additionally, new water meters and meter boxes will be installed at 339 properties within the RHWS. The improvements will all be incorporated into the existing RHWS, which is currently being fed by three active wells providing safe, clean drinking water.

The Project also includes a full facility refurbishment of the Well No. 2 site, including the well pump and all other well site facilities that have exceeded their life expectancy. The well casing will be sleeved if determined necessary during a well investigation. The Project also includes the addition of cathodic protection to the water storage tank.

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 SWRCB 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 State Water Resources Control Board - Division of Financial Assistance, located at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. The public review period during which the SWRCB will receive comments on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will begin on October 12, 2021, and end on November 11, 2022. Comments should be in writing, if possible, and addressed to Amy Wilson at Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group, 400 E. Main Street, Suite 300, Visalia, CA 93291, or at awilson@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.